

**Main points arising: Community grant for Anson Engine Museum/  
Policing update/ Adult Health and Wellbeing Coordinator's update/ Town  
Council's Child Protection Policy review/ Town Council funding for  
Family Sports Festival**

MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY ORDER & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD AT 8.00PM ON MONDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2014 AT THE CIVIC  
HALL, POYNTON.

PRESENT

Chairman: Cllr Mrs J Saunders

Cllrs M Beanland, L A Clarke, Ms R Horsman, Mrs J Sewart and A Smith

Attending under SO 54: Cllr H Murray, substituting for Cllr P Hoyland. (Cllr Murray left the meeting at 8.30pm)

Attending under SO 56: Cllrs Mrs S Horsman and R West

**PART A**

82. Apologies for absence

Cllrs I Hollingworth and Mrs I Thornton-Maddocks

83. Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary or Other Interests

None declared.

84. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2014

**RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Community, Order and Public Safety Committee meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2014 are approved as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman (5 - 2 abs)**

85. Application for a Town Council Community Grant

Members considered the application for a Town Council community grant from the Anson Engine Museum. Cllr Mrs Sewart said that she felt this was a worthwhile cause of great benefit to Poynton and proposed that the request

for a £1,500 community grant is approved. Cllr Mrs Saunders agreed and noted that the Museum has also attracted funds from other sources.

**RESOLVED: That a Town Council community grant of £1,500 is approved for the Anson Engine Museum (NC)**

#### 86. Policing Update

Insp. Griffiths and Sgt Alexander attended the meeting to provide a policing update to mid-April 2014. They reported three burglaries of dwellings and three incidents of shoplifting. One shoplifting incident has been detected. Anti-social behaviour remains low. There have been two mobile phone thefts on Park Lane and the PCSOs will continue with their reassurance work and encourage the public to look after their valuables.

The PCSOs had delivered a talk on 'Crime and Consequence' at the Poynton High School.

Reinforcement activities had been carried out on Middlewood Road and the SID deployed. Action had been taken against nine drivers.

The PCSOs have been paying special attention to Park Lane and the problematic issue of parking. They do now have a strategy in place to tackle the issue of illegal parking and obstruction. More advisory notices have been issued and there should be more of an impact than previously. The Chairman requested the details of the number of advisory notices issued. Sgt Alexandra will provide these details to the Clerk by the end of this week. The strategy will also help identify repeat offenders.

The Clerk provided details from an e-mail response from Paul Kenyon regarding the statutory process to form a robust legal basis for parking restrictions on Park Lane.

On the issue of communications, Cllr A Smith said he would like to see an increase in Tweets. Sgt Alexander felt that there was a good balance between information and crime at present.

Insp. Griffiths reported to members a change to PCSO staffing in the next couple of months. The changes have arisen due to police recruitment within Cheshire East which has provided opportunities for existing PCSOs to move and work closer to home. For this reason PCSO Leanne will be moving to Warrington and PCSO Natalie to Crewe, both to be nearer their home towns. PCSO Sophie has elected to remain in Poynton. Poynton will still have a full contingent of PCSOs, but with some new additions to the team. Insp. Griffiths said that they have tried to ensure that the incoming PCSOs live closer to Poynton to provide some continuity. These changes will take place in early June 2014.

**RESOLVED: That the policing update is received with thanks, and that Sgt Alexander provides details to the Clerk of vehicle advisory notices issued (NC)**

**RESOLVED: That the meeting moves to Part B of the agenda (see item 91 below). (NC)**

87. Update from the Adult Health and Wellbeing Co-ordinator

The Town Council's Adult Health and Wellbeing Co-ordinator, Trish Hill was unable to attend the meeting. Members received and considered her written update.

Cllr Clarke reported the positive comments of a resident who thoroughly enjoys attending the Time Out Café. Cllr A Smith made a plea for the excellent work carried out by the Adult Health and Wellbeing Co-ordinator is better publicised and promoted.

**RESOLVED: That the written update from the Town Council's Adult Health and Wellbeing Co-ordinator, Trish Hill, is received (NC)**

88. Town Council's Child Protection Policy

**RESOLVED: That the updated Town Council's Child Protection Policy is received and approved (NC)**

89. Funding for Family Sports Festival 2014

The Youth Co-ordinator, Erica Adkins, presented a request to Members for £1,000 of Town Council funding for the Family Sports Festival 2014 in late June. This is to ensure the success of the event and reflects the costs of the event last year and the potential costs this year. There will be some match funding from Peaks and Plains HT, 'Johnnie' Johnson Housing and possibly from the Round Table, although these funding sources have been more difficult this year.

Cllr A Smith asked who would be running the event given that the Youth Co-ordinator is due to leave her role before the event is held. Erica Adkins reported on the arrangements following a meeting with the Clerk. Cllr A Smith asked who is accountable for the funds. The Clerk will be involved and with the Youth Co-ordinator's imminent departure it is intended that CE Leisure and the PCSOs play a larger role in the event. Essentially all the costs will come through the Town Council accounts.

Cllr Mrs Sewart asked who will be the co-ordinator on the day of the event. Erica Adkins confirmed this will be Keith Rodgers, and there will also be a

Welcome Desk which will provide a central point for the public. The Clerk and the Operations Officer will also attend.

**RESOLVED: That Town Council funding of £1,000 for the Family Sports Festival 2014 is approved (NC)**

90. Valedictory report from the Town Council's Youth Co-ordinator, Erica Adkins

The Town Council's Youth Co-ordinator, Erica Adkins is leaving her post with the Town Council at the end of May to embark on a freelance career. She said she had enjoyed her time at the Town Council, and thanked Members for the opportunity she had been given to serve the Town Council and the young people of Poynton.

Cllr Mrs Sewart thanked Erica for all her hard work and achievements in her role.

**RESOLVED: That the report from the Youth Co-ordinator, Erica Adkins is received and a vote of thanks offered by the Town Council (NC)**

## **PART B**

**PART B has been removed from the public record on the basis of the Town Council's Standing Order 71 (vii) – "Any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime". The media and members of the public were excluded from this part of the meeting on the above grounds.**

The meeting concluded at 8.45 pm