

MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY ORDER & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT 8.00PM ON MONDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> AUGUST 2016 AT THE CIVIC HALL, POYNTON.

PRESENT

Chairman: Cllr Mrs J Saunders

Cllrs: M Beanland, Mrs R Horsman-Johnson, Mrs S Horsman, G King, Mrs J Sewart, and Mrs N Wylie

Attending under SO 56: Cllr C Gorst

12. Questions from members of the public

Mr Parkinson, Woodford Road, attended the meeting to raise his concern about the speed of traffic on Woodford Road. He explained that the Speed Indicator Device (SID) has previously been deployed on Woodford Road, however he felt the position of the SID was incorrect to capture the data. The Chairperson explained that there is an issue with the position in which the SID can be fixed. Mr Parkinson suggested a physical presence to capture the speeding data in the location he requested. The Chairperson explained that a Community Speed Watch Scheme can be arranged and this requires input from the community. Mr Parkinson agreed to assist with the Community Speed Watch Scheme and the Clerk will liaise with Mr Parkinson to take the matter forward. Mr Parkinson also raised his concern about the number of vehicles travelling along Woodford Road which exceed the weight limit of the road. Mr Parkinson was assured that these details will be taken forward with the police and a member of the police will contact Mr Parkinson to establish the data in relation to the issues raised.

13. Apologies for absence

Cllrs Mrs S J Gilmore and T Holbrook.

14. Declarations of disclosable pecuniary or other interests

None.

15. Previous meeting minutes

**RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Community, Order and Public Safety Committee meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2016 are approved as an accurate record (NC)**

16. Receive a verbal update from the Macclesfield Neighbourhood Policing Team

Members considered the written report from the Macclesfield Neighbourhood Policing Team. The following issues were noted:

- A Committee member has raised concern about recent anti-social behaviour at Barnaby Park with the Policing Team. The feedback from the Policing Team is that there is concern about an increase in anti-social behaviour following the end of the PCSO's evening shift.
- A member reported a recent problem at Barnaby Park where a fire appeared to be lit. This issue will be raised with the Policing Team.
- The police have informed the Town Council of the following new initiatives:
  - A Street A Week. This will be starting with Dickens Lane.
  - Working Together. This is a new initiative to be held on the last Thursday of every month for the police to meet with the local community to understand and discuss issues in the area.
- It was agreed that the Working Together initiative will be publicised in the Poynton Post.
- There have been issues with the lack of parking enforcement and the traffic wardens will be in Poynton this week. Queensway and School Lane will be highlighted to the enforcement team along with any other areas reported to members.
- Although there has been an increase in burglaries this month the Clerk explained that PCSO would like to reassure residents and noted that these have been from insecure buildings that are being renovated.
- Ipads for PCSOs are being piloted. Members noted that the visible presence of PCSOs in the area remains important to the community.

**RESOLVED: That the written update from the Macclesfield Neighbourhood Policing Team is received (NC)**

17. Receive an update from the Future of Policing in Poynton Task and Finish Group

The exploratory work on the Future of Policing which was being considered by the Poynton Task and Finish Group has been put on hold due to the election of a new Police and Crime Commissioner in May 2016. The Group are in the process of trying to find out and understand the stance of the new Police and Crime Commissioner in terms of the work of the PCSOs. Exploring alternatives for the future of policing will be delayed until this information is gained.

A member noted that evidence is beginning to accumulate that problems are returning to the area and should this continue then the situation could return to the issues faced in Poynton some 15 to 20 years ago. Policing issues were addressed in recent years by Sgt Warren and team with hard work between the PCSOs and the community. The Clerk will relay this message to the Police.

**RESOLVED: That the update from the Future of Policing in Poynton Task and Finish Group is received (NC)**

18. Receive an update report from the Town Council's Communities Co-ordinator, Sharon Duke

The Town Council's Communities Co-ordinator, Sharon Duke, spoke about the new day care group to be run by the Town Council in partnership with Age UK Cheshire East. This is due to the inability of Age UK, due to centralisation, to continue to provide support for their two current groups, one for people who have memory problems and one for people who are physically frail. The Town Council have therefore merged the two groups and with effect from 14<sup>th</sup> September 2016 will deliver the service from the Civic Hall on a Wednesday from 10am to 2pm.

The following issues raised about the new day care group were clarified:

- Age UK are involved with the day care group.

- The group members are assessed on a regular basis by Age UK.
- Those attending Poynton Civic Hall are cared for by trained volunteers.
- The Town Council are responsible for delivering the service.
- The volunteers complete a weekly chart as part of the assessment process and where there are changes will inform Age UK with the appropriate next steps followed.
- The volunteers are covered by the Town Council insurance and also the relevant risk assessments are completed.
- There is a contract in place with a four week notice period.

To ensure the day care group is a viable service it was agreed that the financial figures for the running of the group are presented for consideration to the next meeting of the FIED committee.

The Town Council's Communities Co-ordinator, Sharon Duke, also provided the following update:

- To celebrate International Day of Older Persons a Showcase of Services will be held at the Civic Hall on 27<sup>th</sup> September 2016 from 10am to 2pm.
- The Poynton Easy Access Scheme (PEAS) will be relaunched on 27<sup>th</sup> September 2016.
- There will be consideration with the members about how to make the Men in Sheds group more sustainable and generate more income.
- The Time-Out Café will continue to be supported and the profile of the group raised.
- There will be a reinvigoration of the Poynton Area Partnership with a review of the membership and reconsideration of the relevance of priorities.

**RESOLVED: That the verbal update from the Town Council's Communities Co-ordinator is received with thanks. That the financial figures for running the day care group in partnership with Age UK are presented for consideration to the next meeting of the FIED committee (NC)**

19. Note the letter from Davenport Golf Club about the Sport England funding dated 13<sup>th</sup> June 2016

It was proposed that there is a suggestion to promote golf to local schools.

**RESOLVED: That the correspondence is noted. That the Communities Co-ordinator, Sharon Duke, follow up with Davenport Golf Club (NC)**

20. Consider and agree any communication message arising from the meeting

The following communication messages arising from the meeting were agreed:

- Mr Parkinson was thanked for attending the meeting and the offer to assist with the Community Speed Watch Scheme.
- To publicise the Age UK/Town Council new weekly group for people with early memory loss and physical frailty.
- To promote the Men in Sheds group including the days on which the sessions are run.
- To officially note the new Town Council Communities Co-ordinator, Sharon Duke.

**RESOLVED: That the communication messages arising from the meeting as stated are approved (NC)**

Meeting End Time: 8.45pm