

MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY ORDER & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT 8.00PM ON MONDAY 27TH FEBRUARY 2017 AT THE CIVIC HALL, POYNTON.

PRESENT

Chairman: Cllr Mrs J Saunders

Cllrs: L Berry, Mrs S-J Gilmore, T Holbrook, Mrs S Horsman, G King, and Mrs N Wylie

SO 56 Cllr M Beanland

63. Anyone attending or present at the Committee meeting declares that they are making, or intend to make, an audio recording and/or film the meeting

The shorthand assistant confirmed that the meeting is recorded for the purposes of minute taking and the recording is deleted within a week when the draft minutes are produced.

64. Questions from members of the public

There were no questions from members of the public.

65. Apologies for absence

Cllrs Mrs R Horsman-Johnson and Mrs J Sewart.

66. Declarations of disclosable pecuniary or other interests

None.

67. Previous meeting minutes

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Community, Order and Public Safety Committee meeting held on 30th January 2017 are approved as an accurate record (NC)

68. Receive and consider a community grant application for £1,000 from Cheshire Villages Great War Society.

Henry Carlisle from the Cheshire Villages Great War Society spoke on the grant application submitted for a request of £1,000, including the following:

- The Cheshire Villages Great War Society organises commemorative exhibitions throughout Cheshire remembering the men who died in the war.
- The exhibitions are hugely popular and the society receive great demand for them.
- The Society have been approached to organise an exhibition to commemorate the men of Poynton.

- The event due to be hosted by Poynton Town Council on 13th May 2017 will be held free of charge.
- For the organisers this is a hobby.
- Cheshire Villages Great War Society would like to build a trench in the style of World War I.
- It is intended that the community would be involved including the local schools.
- Promotional material such as flyers and posters for the Poynton exhibition have been produced by the Society.

Mr Carlisle thanked the Town Council for providing the Civic Hall to host the exhibition free of charge.

It was proposed that the £1,000 grant for the trench is approved. Members agreed that this was a worthwhile project of value to the community. Members agreed that the Town Council should arrange for the necessary checks including risk assessments including clarifying use of the land to build the trench.

RESOLVED: That the grant application from Cheshire Villages Great War Society for £1,000 is approved subject to the amendment that the donation from Cheshire Villages Great War Society for poppies is donated to the Poynton British Legion. That the Cheshire Villages Great War Society will liaise with the Poynton Town Council Communities Co-ordinator, Sharon Duke, to co-ordinate and liaise for the event (NC)

69. Receive an update from the Macclesfield Neighbourhood Policing Team

Sgt Percival provided a verbal update on the Macclesfield Neighbourhood Policing Team since the last meeting:

Violence

- There was a report of a disturbance between youths from Poynton and Stockport.
- Urban Chicken; 12 youths entered the premises and the owner was head-butted when he tried to close the door to the premises to prevent more youths from entering and there was a smashed door as a result. A male was arrested. The police notified parents and took action. Since this incident there have only been three reported incidents of significance.
- Acoustic Lounge; a male was punched and knocked to the ground unconscious in the early hours of the morning. Investigations are still on going.

Burglaries

- Three burglaries from dwellings; Puffin Avenue, Snipe Close and one in Adlington.
- Two burglaries from 'other than a dwelling'.
- No theft of motor vehicles.
- One theft from a motor vehicle.
- Three other thefts, this includes the theft of an unsecured bike from outside Waitrose.
- There was an incident of a cardboard box which was set alight outside the Sports Club. It was confirmed that the policing team continue to pursue the public space protection order.
- The number of anti-social behaviour incidents decreased to 13 from last month.
- There has been a positive drug swipe and one male arrested on Copperfield Road.

Speed Indicator Devices

The following SID data was reported:

- Park Lane (near Homelyme House):
 - Total number of vehicles was 31,696.

- The average speed was 26.2mph.
- The highest speed was 65mph at 2am.
- Chester Road towards Poynton:
 - Total number of vehicles was 42,587.
 - The average speed was 28.2mph.
 - The highest speed was 73mph between 5am and 6am.

Road traffic collisions

- A vehicle overturned on Chester Road.
 - A cyclist was knocked off their bike at Highfield Road/Woodford Road.
- In both incidents there were no serious injuries and bruises sustained.

The notice of proposal for “No Stopping” Order outside local schools by CE was noted.

There has been a meeting held at the Acoustic Lounge regarding the start-up of a Youth Club in Poynton. Sgt Percival confirmed that the PCSO’s would likely get involved at a later stage however PCSO’s cannot attend meetings held at a licensed premise.

A member noted that two cars regularly park on Hockley Avenue on the zig zag lines. The police will issue advisory notices as necessary.

Members noted the request received for introducing double yellow lines on Brookside Avenue from Clumber Road. This is in relation to Vernon Primary School. Sgt Percival clarified that only traffic enforcement officers and not the police can enforce double yellow lines and there is a real lack of enforcement officers due to limited resources.

The committee members discussed the visibility of PCSO’s across the village. Members agreed that the presence of PCSO’s in the centre of the village would provide reassurance and security to residents. Sgt Percival confirmed that there is a change in shift pattern which will be beneficial to the village.

The police liaison at the Time Out Café was acknowledged with thanks.

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

70. Receive a verbal update from The Future of Policing in Poynton Task and Finish Group

Cllr King confirmed that there was nothing to report.

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

71. Receive an update from the Town Council’s Communities Co-ordinator, Sharon Duke

The Town Council’s Communities Co-ordinator, Sharon Duke, spoke on her written report.

Members requested that the Clerk send a letter of thanks to Swift Trees for donating wood mulch.

Sharon is liaising with groups regarding the potential set up of a Poynton Youth Club.

There has been a second meeting for the Poynton Dementia Steering Group and six actions identified to progress.

Members agreed that the twiddle muffs, as shared by Sharon at the meeting, are promoted at the next Older Person's Day.

RESOLVED: That the written report from the Town Council's Communities Co-ordinator is received with thanks (NC)

72. Receive and consider a paper on the national funding formula, proposed by the Department for Education, and a draft response to it.

Cllr Beanland spoke on the national funding formula (NFF) and the draft response to it. Cheshire East Council (CE) is an already poorly funded authority and under the national funding formula the situation would be exacerbated making Poynton High School the lowest funded senior school in CE and making CE the lowest funded local authority per capita in the country. There has been much activity locally to help raise publicity of the NFF consultation encouraging residents to complete the consultation. The NFF places funding in areas of deprivation rather than per child despite the number of children in schools.

Members agreed that the Town Council take the following actions:

- To respond in the terms of the draft statement.
- To publicise the consultation including leaflets displayed in Town Council noticeboards and details in the PUN.
- The Clerk will forward the link to the NFF consultation to all Poynton Town Councillors to complete.
- To make the petition available at the Civic Hall Reception.

Cllr Beanland was requested to communicate to the group the support of the Town Council. The Clerk will write a letter with authority delegated to Cllr King and Cllrs Mrs Saunders to approve the letter in liaison with Cllr Beanland.

RESOLVED: That the actions agreed are undertaken (NC)

73. Consider and agree any communication messages arising from the meeting

The following communication messages arising from the meeting were agreed:

- Working Together Groups.
- NFF; in PUN, display posters in noticeboards, petition available at the Civic Hall reception.
- The upcoming Cheshire Village War Society Poynton event.

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

Meeting End Time: 9.20pm