Poynton Update and News 9th December 2016

Consultations

Poynton Town Council would like to draw your attention to these open consultations:

Introduction of charges for Nelson Pit Visitor Centre, Higher Poynton

Cheshire East Council has given notice of their intention to vary the current parking provisions and introduce pay and display charges at the car park. Objections or other representations need to be made in writing, specifying the grounds on which the objections are made, to Lorraine Rushton, Parking Services Team Leader, Cheshire East Council by email to lorraine.rushton@cheshireeast.gov.uk by 4pm, 9th December.

Greater Manchester Spatial Framework

The Greater Manchester Combined Authority has commenced consultation on a new statutory development plan for the conurbation for 2015-2035. It includes new industrial and warehousing floor space, offices and houses. Some 28 per cent of the proposed new homes would be built on Greater Manchester's green belt. Full details are on the web-site www.greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk/GMSF. The Town Council's Planning and Environment Committee will be discussing this on 19th Dec and then making a submission in relation to the houses being proposed at Woodford and High Lane which are within a mile of Poynton. Consultation is open until 23rd Dec.

Household Waste and Recycling Centre provision by Cheshire East

There are a number of options for changes to centres which may affect the Poynton site. The Service is expected, like most other Cheshire East Council services, to contribute towards the savings that the council has to make. The full information is on the Cheshire East web-site at www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/waste_and_recycling. The closing date is 10th January 2017.

Cheshire East Council Pre-Budget Consultation

This covers proposals and the strategy for the proposed budget changes and how this may affect services in future. Overall, Cheshire East Council is expecting to see cash reductions of almost £100 million for the three-year period 2017 to 2020, compared with the 2016/17 budget. The consultation closes on 10th Jan 2017. Details on their website: www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/budget or Tel: 01270 685811 or email: townandparishcouncils@cheshireeast.gov.uk

Poynton Heritage Garden

The volunteer group would like to thank all those who voted for the Heritage Garden in the Aviva Community Fund. Sadly, it did not receive enough votes to go forward but more people are now aware of the Garden near the Library. Soon the group are hoping to get some metal outlines and benches in place. You can get involved by contacting the group on projects4poynton@gmail.com.

Christmas Fest

The Projects 4 Poynton team, voluntary organisers of the annual Poynton Christmas Fest, would like to thank the many hundreds of residents and visitors who attended this year's event. Local feedback suggests that the Fest was both fun and hugely enjoyable. Special thanks go to Sophie Thornhill, Poynton's Paralympic gold medallist, who did a brilliant job in opening the Fest, to the Cheshire East Council team who did a great job clearing up during and after the event, to our local

police for ensuring a safe evening, and to the compere/DJ Tony Hennon, who was in charge of entertainment on the stage. Last but not least, Projects 4 Poynton would like to thank Poynton Town Council for its help on the day, but more so for being principal sponsor of the Fest since its inception 10 years ago. The Council's current level of financial support cannot be guaranteed for future years, and both Projects 4 Poynton and the Town Council would welcome greater involvement from Poynton's businesses for this popular community event to continue in future. Contact s.warrington@uwclub.net

Participatory Budget: Community Fund Voting

The dynamic community consultation event on 26th November voted for nine community health projects to share £20,000. They are Poynton Golden Memories Break, Parent Carer and Support Group, Time for Me Carers, A Day at the Seaside, Men in Sheds, Respite for Disabled and Infirm Residents, Know Your Blood Pressure, Back to Sport and Poynton Heritage Club. For more information, contact the Cheshire East Communities & Partnership Team on 01270 686663.

Councillor surgery

This is your chance to meet your local Cheshire East and Poynton Town Councillor, and Police Community Support Officer (PCSO). The next surgery is on Saturday 7th January: drop-in from 10am to 11am or make an appointment for times between 11am to 12 noon on 01625 872238.

Christmas trees

The Town Council pays for the Christmas lights on Park Lane and the tree outside St George's Church and their installation. The tree by the Civic Hall was donated by a Poynton resident some years ago and is slowly growing. Anson Engine Museum kindly provide and install the picket fencing for both trees.

Poynton Easy Access Scheme: scooters and wheelchairs

If you have friends or family to visit or stay over the holiday season, you are welcome to borrow a scooter or wheelchair for a very modest charge. You are invited to one of our free Drop-in sessions to look at the wheelchairs or scooters or try them out at the Civic Hall on Mon 12th Dec between 2pm – 4pm or Tues 20th December 10am – 12 noon. We can offer a short lesson in how to use the scooters in the safety of the Civic Hall and then, if you want, go out with you along Park Lane to give you experience on the street. If you are thinking of buying one, then this is a good chance to find out if you like them. Ring Sharon Duke on 01625 872238 or call in at the Civic Hall.

Winter walks

If you would like walking routes from one mile upwards starting from Poynton or nearby, including along Middlewood Way, there are leaflets and routes on the Town Council's web-site here or available at a small charge from the Civic Hall. Some of them don't have steps or stiles and are accessible by public transport. The leaflets are on display at the Civic Hall reception.

Poynton Village 10km run, Sunday 26th March 2017

This annual 10km running event will be hosted by Crazy Legs Events in association with Poynton Town Council, taking in some of the local landmarks and pathways. Open to people of all abilities. This event sold out last year so book early as there are only 500 places available. The event starts and finishes in the Civic Centre car-park. Further information and entry details are here.

Civic Hall Christmas and New Year opening hours

Mon 19th to Weds 21st Dec

Normal office hours (9am to 5pm). Normal evening activities

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Normal evening activities

Fri 23rd Dec Normal office hours (9am to 4.30pm). Normal evening activities

Sat 24th Dec CLOSED

Sun 25th Dec CLOSED – Christmas Day

Mon 26th Dec Tues 27th Dec

Weds 28th and Thurs 29th Dec

Fri 30th Dec Sat 31st Dec

Sunday 1st Jan 2017 Mon 2nd Jan 2017 Tues 3rd Jan 2017 CLOSED – Boxing Day CLOSED – Bank holiday

Normal office hours (9am to 5pm). **No evening activities** Normal office hours (9am to 4.30pm). **No evening activities**

CLOSED

CLOSED – New Year's Day CLOSED – Bank holiday

Normal office hours resume (9am to 5pm). Normal evening

activities

December 2016			
Sun 11 th	1.30 - 4pm	Civic Hall	Royal British Legion Band with Just Sing Choir. Adults £7.50, under 16's free. Reserve your tickets on 01625 876865
Mon 12 th	2pm - 4pm	Civic Hall	Scooters and wheelchairs. Drop-in to try one out or have a look. Free lesson and then get experience on Park Lane
Mon 12 th	8pm	Civic Hall	Community Order and Public Safety Committee
Sun 18 th	7pm	Civic Hall	Vernon Brass Band . Adults £8, Concessions £6, children free. For information call 07960 127121 garyeuph@gmail.com
Mon 19 th	7pm	Civic Hall	Planning and Environment Committee
Mon 19 th	8pm	Civic Hall	Finance and General Purposes Committee
Tues 20 th	10am – 12 noon	Civic Hall	Scooters and wheelchairs. Drop-in to try one out or have a look. Free lesson and then get experience on Park Lane
Fri 30 th	9-5pm	Civic Hall	Blood Donor session. Appointments only 0300 123 2323
January 2017			
Sat 7 th	10-12pm	Civic Hall	Councillor and PCSO Surgery. Drop-in 10am to 11am. Call 01625 872238 for appointments at 11am, 11.20am, 11.40am.
Mon 9 th	7pm	Civic Hall	Management and Establishment Committee
Mon 9 th	8pm	Civic Hall	Town Council (precept setting)
Fri 13 th	12-9pm	Civic Hall	Blood Donor session. Appointments only 0300 123 2323
Mon 16 th	8pm	Civic Hall	Planning and Environment Committee
Sat 21st	8-12pm	Civic Hall	Ceilidh (high-energy folk dancing) for new or seasoned dancers with or without a partner. Adults £9, under 16's £4.50. Tickets on the door or online www.poyntonceilidh.co.uk

The Town Council would like to wish all Poynton residents and visitors a very merry Christmas, and a happy, healthy New Year.

Liz Osborn, Town Clerk 01625 872238

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