



Poynton's Shared Space

Poynton Town Council continues to work closely with Cheshire East Council Highways with the improvement of the Shared Space upkeep. The first phase of repair works to Park Lane is near completion after the works over the summer. The Town Council's Shared Space Working Group are mindful there is still plenty to do not only in the short term with the rectification of Electricity North West's work outside the Panache Restaurant, for example, but in the medium term, as now that the A6 Manchester Airport Relief Road (A6 MARR) is complete, works on Chester Road can be progressed, and the future restoration of London Road North and South. Due to the work carried out by the Town Council, Cheshire East Council (CEC) Highways have a new focus on Poynton. Councillors are hopeful this will bring a quicker resolution to issues both within the Shared Space and Town Centre going forward.

Achievements include:

- The Town Council created a working group in 2017 of councillors, two local volunteers and the Operations Manager which has been busy for many months.
- Agreement has been reached with CEC Highways that they will maintain the large (and previously neglected) flower beds on London Road North. In preparation for this, the Pick & Tidy community group and volunteers from the Town Council and Poynton in Bloom have already removed valuable plants from this area and re-planted these at Burton Drive. The new community group Incredible Edibles are interested in planting out part of the area.
- Agreement has been reached that ANSA will now include the central reservations on London Road North within the shared space area in their road sweeping programme.
- Members of the working group have conducted two thorough inspections of the shared space area which identified more than 173 defects. These range from blocked grids to areas where the whole carriageway is subsiding. A list of the defects and map of the defect locations has been shared with Cheshire East Highways to assist in their repair and upkeep programme.
- The Town Council met with representatives from CEC Highways (Ringway Jacobs) in January 2018. The Highways representatives were made fully aware of residents' concerns. In reply they explained that no major repairs can be carried out on London Road until the SEMMMS scheme (A6 MARR and Poynton Relief Road) is complete because of the serious traffic problems it would cause in the area. In the mean time they will continue to carry out patch repairs to keep the road safe.
- Work on the refurbishment of Park Lane shared space is nearing completion.
- Work is ongoing to gain Highways' commitment to a programme of repairs for Fountain Place and Chester Road, despite Highways' budgetary restraints. A further face-to-face meeting was held in August 2018 to progress this.

What can you the public do?

- Town Councillors are always keen to hear the views of residents and they will pass these on to the working group. You can hand them in to the Town Council Reception or at the Council Surgery held on the first Saturday morning of each month.
- If you spot a dangerous hole in the road or the pavement, you need to get in touch with Cheshire East Highways as soon as possible on 0300 123 5020 (out of hours 0300 123 5025).
- You should report less urgent problems and street lighting faults via the Cheshire East web site: http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/highways_and_roads/highways_and_roads.aspx.



Calling all passionate community minded people for an exciting new role

Council Community Support Officer

Poynton is a thriving Cheshire village of 15,000 people and is situated on the edge of Greater Manchester. Poynton Town Council is an innovative organisation which has had 10 years' experience of working with the Police at the forefront of Community Policing. As a result of changes in Cheshire Police deployment, Poynton Town Council is now employing a team of Council Community Support Officers. The officers have a visible uniformed presence and will have accredited powers of enforcement. Are you:

- Community minded?
- Looking for an active work life?
- A good communicator?
- Good at identifying problems and finding solutions?
- Able to remain calm under pressure?
- Do you possess tolerance and empathy combined with firmness?

If the answers to the above are yes, then please apply for this exciting role. Pay scale rises from NJC LC1 SCP 20 – 25 (currently £19,819 to £23,111pa)

You'll usually work 37 hours a week on day shifts, including weekends and bank holidays. Shifts usually cover the hours between 8am and midnight. You'll mostly be outdoors, patrolling residential areas on foot or bike. You may also work indoors, for example when giving talks to community groups and schools. You'll be provided with a uniform. The post is subject to Police and DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) vetting. For a full job description, employee specification and application form, or for further information, please email Liz Osborn, Town Clerk, on liz.osborn@poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk or ring 01625 872238, or call in to the Civic Hall between 9am and 4.30pm. Visit our web-site www.poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk The closing date for applications is **Friday 2nd November, 9am.**

Cheshire East planning documents consultation, to 22nd October 2018

Following the adoption of the Local Plan Strategy last year, Cheshire East Council is preparing a number of additional planning documents. The Town Council has made a representation and urges you to forward your views to Cheshire East Council. The documents are: First Site Allocations and Development Policies Document (SADPD); SADPD Sustainability Appraisal and Habitats Regulations Assessments; the Garden Village at Handforth draft supplementary planning document; Revised and updated Statement of Community Involvement; and a 'call for sites' that may be suitable for Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Showpeople accommodation.

There is further information here: https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/planning/spatial_planning/cheshire_east_local_plan/cheshire_east_local_plan.aspx



End of First World War commemorations

A number of groups are organising events and activities in Poynton to commemorate the end of 100 years since the end of the First World War. Poynton Town Council have collated these into a programme which will be available to collect from the Civic Hall and from the groups associated with the activities, from the beginning of November. For more information, please contact Sharon Duke on 01625 872238 or

sharon.duke@poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk



Village accessibility

The aim of the "Village accessibility" task and finish group is to enable easier access into and around Poynton by working with local residents, groups and authorities to overcome potential barriers to movement and help create a vibrant sustainable village.

If you have any ideas and suggestions which could be considered, please email Poynton Town council at reception@poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk or call in at the Civic Hall.

Cheshire East Council help

Cheshire East Council may be able to help home owners with replacing boilers, repairs, or new central heating systems, whether they are gas, electric, oil or LPG. Here is the **Help with Heating** online form:

https://form.cheshireeast.gov.uk/service/Private_housing_heating_enquiries

It can also be found on the Affordable Warmth webpage:

https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/housing/private_sector_housing/energy_efficiency.aspx

Very broadly, help can be offered to homeowners who are:

- on means tested benefits, or
- on a low income and little savings (different schemes apply different thresholds so difficult to say what is low income/savings), or
- they have a disability or health condition that is made worse by the cold. In many cases the homeowner may need to put a little bit of money towards the work, but this will be considered as part of the process.

Poynton Library opening hours survey

Cheshire East Library Service want to open Poynton Library an additional 2.5 hours per week. These changes will mean they use staff more effectively at busier times of the week. Friday night is not a popular time for library visitors. The proposed change is from **7th January 2019**.

How can you contribute? Answer the question below and reply to the library or email: poynton.library@cheshireeast.gov.uk

Question: Would you prefer to keep the current opening hours, or move to the proposed new opening hours? If you prefer the current hours, please explain why.

Please respond by 31st October 2018. Cheshire East Council will report the survey results online and in Poynton Library after this date.

Current Opening Hours		Proposed New Opening Hours		Change
Day	Time	Day	Time	
Monday	9.00 -17.00	Monday	9.00 - 17.00	
Tuesday	9.00 - 19.00	Tuesday	9.00 - 19.00	
Wednesday	9.00 - 13.00	Wednesday	9.00 - 17.00	+ 4 hours
Thursday	9.00 - 17.00	Thursday	9.00 - 17.00	
Friday	9.00 - 19.00	Friday	9.00 - 17.00	- 2 hours
Saturday	9.30 - 13.00	Saturday	9.00 - 13.00	+ 0.5 hour



Councillor surgery, 3rd November and 1st December 2018

This is your chance to meet your local Cheshire East and Poynton Town Councillor, and Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) and raise any issues about Poynton. The next surgeries are on Saturdays 3rd November and 1st December, drop-in from 10am to 11am or make an appointment for 11am, 11.20am or 11.40am on 01625 872238.

Treasurer required at The Centre

The Centre in Poynton are urgently looking to recruit a treasurer. The position is vital to the smooth running of all things financial and would suit someone who would enjoy working with the Trustees on a voluntary basis. The work is varied, interesting and rewarding. Please register interest by emailing info@thecentreinpoynnton.co.uk or phoning the Centre on 01625 875555

Activities in the Civic Hall

Sweaty Mama is a unique and effective way to exercise with your child. You will gradually build up your fitness level and strengthen your core to rehabilitate your body after having a child. Trial is £7 or 6 sessions is £40. For more information contact Georgina on 07487 729847 www.georgina.sweatymama.com

Activities and events at the Civic Hall

October

Fri 19 th	1pm - 9pm	Blood Service Appointments only: www.blood.co.uk , 0161 251 4200
Sat 20 th	8pm 11pm	Poynton Ceilidh, Folk Dancing. All welcome Adults £9, under 16's £4.50. Tickets on the door or online www.poyntonceilidh.co.uk
Mon 22 nd	8pm	Finance & General Purposes Committee Meeting
Sat 27 th	10am - 2pm	Christmas Craft Fair. Free entry
Mon 29 th	8pm	Facilities, Infrastructure & Economic Development Committee Meeting

November

Sat 3 rd	10am to 12 noon	Joint Town Council, Cheshire East Council and Police working together surgery. Drop-in 10am to 11am. Call 01625 872238 for appointments at 11am, 11.20am, 11.40am
Mon 5 th	8pm	Planning and Environment Committee Meeting
Sat 10 th	7.30pm	Royal British Legion Concert Band with Poynton Male Voice Choir. First World War Commemorative Concert. 7.30pm. Tickets £10. Book in advance by calling 01625 876865 or email prbl.band@ntlworld.com
Sun 11 th	9.25am	Remembrance Parade. Participants must arrive by 9.25am. Parade begins at 9.35am from the Civic Centre car park, down Park Lane to St George's church.
Mon 19 th	8pm	Community, Order and Public Safety Committee Meeting

Liz Osborn, Town Clerk

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