



23rd December 2016

Consultations

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

Poynton Relief Road planning application, January 10th

The planning application for the Poynton Relief Road will be heard by a special meeting of Cheshire East Council's (CEC) Strategic Planning Board on January 10th at Macclesfield Town Hall at 10.30am. CEC permit interested parties (town councils, objectors, supporters etc.) to address the board prior to discussion of the item. Interested parties need to register with Democratic Services prior to the meeting by contacting Sarah Baxter and stating in what capacity you wish to speak eg objector, supporter etc by noon on Monday 9th January: sarah.baxter@cheshireeast.gov.uk or ring 01270 686462 or email comments to robert.law@cheshireeast.gov.uk

Draft Greater Manchester Spatial Framework (GMSF): consultation period extended until January 16th 2017.

The Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA) has been consulting on the Draft GMSF since 31st October and has now extended the consultation until Monday 16th January 2017 (11.59pm). You can view and comment on the draft GMSF via <https://www.greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk/info/20081/draftplan>. Paper copies may be viewed on request at Fred Perry House, 1 Edward Street, Stockport, (Mon - Fri, 8.30am - 5pm) and Stockport's libraries. Comments may be made online as above or directly at <http://gmsf-consult.objective.co.uk> or by email to GMSF@agma.gov.uk or by post to *Greater Manchester Integrated Support Team, PO Box 532, Town Hall, Manchester M60 2LA*. You can also follow the GMSF on Twitter: @GMSpatialframe. If you wish to comment further you are welcome to do so.

If you have a reference from your previous comment it would be helpful to include it if you are referring to it. For information contact Greater Manchester Planning Team on: 0161 237 4636.

Stockport council has prepared two documents setting out frequently asked questions which include quick reference information and an addendum with greater detail available at the end of the Public Consultation www.stockport.gov.uk/gmsf.

Public Space Protection Order – Consultation – closing 25th January

Cheshire East Council has been working with partners, including Poynton Town Council, to address issues of anti-social behaviour reported on Poynton Sports Ground. The proposal is for a Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) on the site which provides powers for the police to impose a 'Fixed Penalty Notice' of £100 for those breaching conditions within the order.

As part of the process Cheshire East Council is seeking the views of residents and users of the sports ground on these proposals and a period of Consultation is now in place until Wednesday 25th January 2017. Should you wish to read more information about Public Space Protection Orders and complete the Consultation questionnaire please click on the attached link to take you to the Cheshire East Website: www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/publicspaceprotectionorders

Middlewood Road update

Cheshire East Council Highways tell us they will be undertaking the final phase of safety works along Middlewood Road near Poynton starting on 9th January for a period of six weeks, although this is based on good weather and ground conditions. During this time the road will be fully closed to traffic with a full diversion in place. There will be gatemen in place at either end to assist motorists where required. The works will install a reinforced Ground slab in the area where heavy rainfall earlier in the year caused significant loss of the embankment supporting both the Highway and the vehicle restraint system. The repairs will improve the resilience of the area to flooding through the incorporation of new drainage. Should you require any further clarification please contact Ian McLauchlan, Bridges & Structures Manager, Cheshire East Council on 0300 123 5020 or structures@cheshireeasthighways.org.

Doorstep Crime Awareness and the Nominated Neighbour Scheme

Cheshire East Council's Trading Standards team are working with the Police to highlight doorstep crime. This includes Distraction Burglary, Bogus Callers / Bogus Officials, High Pressure Doorstep Selling and Rogue Traders. Doorstep Crime can affect anyone but often older and vulnerable adults are more at risk. Some traders who call at your door can be honest and genuine. However, some are not and can be extremely persuasive including pressure selling, unfair contracts, overpriced or substandard home maintenance or improvements, phoney consumer surveys and bogus charity collections. Often services offered through cold calling are home improvements and repairs, security systems, mobility aids, gardening services, power washing, tarmac and driveway repairs etc. They may pressure you for work to be done or to conclude a sale the same day and will often ask for cash up front and offer to take you to the bank. There is information [here](#).

If you agree to work of this kind you may be subject to high prices, deposits taken and no work performed, no guarantee, no address or contact details are given, and further cold calls in the future. Always be wary of leaflets posted through your door offering services. If you feel you have been a victim, call Citizens Advice Consumer Service on 0345 4040506.

The Nominated Neighbour Scheme is aimed at vulnerable people and makes the most of our extremely strong community relationships. The vulnerable person is given a special card to hold up to a window or door which advises any unidentified or unexpected caller to go to the address of a 'Nominated Neighbour' who will check the caller's identity and if they are genuine return with them and supervise the visit. Or a 'nominated telephone number' of a trusted person can be used. The card replaces any need for the occupant to enter into a conversation and a genuine caller will not mind. Once rogue traders fail to gain access and know the local community are alert to their activities it will act as a strong deterrent to stop them returning in the future.

The nominated neighbour is chosen by the householder and will be readily available to help. They will be given simple and clear guidance by the scheme. If you would like a Nominated Neighbour Scheme pack or to report problems with doorstep callers or traders contact Citizens Advice Consumer Service on 03454 040506. To report suspicious activity contact Cheshire Constabulary on 101. If it's an emergency or if a crime is being committed or has just been witnessed, there is a risk of injury, or a risk of serious damage to property ring 999. There is a booklet called "Avoiding Scams" published by Age UK as a useful document and more information [here](#)

Speed Indicator Devices

There are two mobile Speed Indicator Devices ('SIDs') in Poynton owned by the Town Council and with data monitored by the Police. The following data was reported for the period 6th November to 2nd December 2016. On Chester Road towards Poynton the total number of vehicles was 99,016, the average speed was 28.5mph and the highest speed was 74mph. On London Road North towards Poynton the total number of vehicles was 47,593, the average speed was 27.1mph and the highest speed was 65mph. On Middlewood Road, from 6th November 2016 to 11th December

2016, the total number of vehicles was 27,614, the average speed was 28.7mph and the highest speed was 65mph.

If you would like to suggest a location to place a SID, please contact a Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) on 101 or Phil Cunningham, Operations Manager, on 01625 872238 or email phil.cunningham@poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk

Blood donation, Civic Hall, 30th December 2016 and 13th January 2017

NHS Blood and Transplant service visit the Civic Hall each month. They particularly welcome new blood donors at this time of year: visit blood.co.uk or call 0300 123 23 23 to make an appointment.

Christmas and New Year support and services

There are many free services open through the winter and Christmas/ New Year period so ring Silver Line, the free confidential helpline for information / advice/ friendship for older people which is open 24 hours every day of the year. It is a Freephone number on 0808 808 1677. In addition, Independent Age volunteers provide a half hour phone chat and can visit if you ring Freephone 0800 319 6789. Or call in to the Civic Hall reception for a list of many other numbers and support.

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.

Poynton Neighbourhood Plan

The consultation responses are being analysed and the Plan will be considered at the next Town Council meeting on 9th January 2017, 8pm.

Carer's Nutrition talk, Community Centre

The Carers Trust are putting on a talk about Carer's Nutrition in the Community Centre, Park Lane on Tuesday 10th January 10am-12.30pm. This talk is for anyone caring for a family member, friend, neighbour etc. Book by calling Judy Whyatt on 01270 257331.

'Keep active' opportunities in the Civic Hall

Badminton

New members welcome, just bring your racket! It meets Mondays 8pm to 10pm. Contact Ann Tinson 0161 292 2397.

Fitness League

Formerly known as the Women's League of Health and Beauty, this meets on Wednesdays from 10am to 12pm. Contact Christine Beeley on 0161 483 4636. The first session back is 11th January.

Kickstarter 8by8 – pre-school football and exercise

This is starting at the Civic Hall on Thursday 12th January and will run each Thursday from 9.30am to 10.30am. Adults welcome to stay with your children. Contact Alex Brown on info@8by8football.co.uk or 07853 273578.

Rugby tots

Pre-school fun rugby sessions on Friday mornings. Contact Alick Willis on alick@rugbytots.co.uk or 0345 313 6720.

Restorative Yoga

A new monthly session on Sundays from 4pm to 6pm, starting on 21st January, is for women only aged 14 years and over. Costs £12/£10 concessions. Contact Emma on 07977 886779.

Ceilidh

Ceilidh (high-energy folk dancing) for new or seasoned dancers with or without a partner and with a bar. Adults £9, under 16s £4.50. Tickets on the door or online www.poyntonceilidh.co.uk

Civic Hall Christmas and New Year opening hours

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| Sat 24 th Dec | CLOSED |
| Sun 25 th Dec | CLOSED – Christmas Day |
| Mon 26 th Dec | CLOSED – Boxing Day |
| Tues 27 th Dec | CLOSED – Bank holiday |
| Weds 28 th and Thurs 29 th Dec | Normal office hours (9am to 5pm). No evening activities |
| Fri 30 th Dec | Normal office hours (9am to 4.30pm). No evening activities |
| Sat 31 st Dec | CLOSED |
| Sunday 1 st Jan 2017 | CLOSED – New Year’s Day |
| Mon 2 nd Jan 2017 | CLOSED – Bank holiday |
| Tues 3 rd Jan 2017 | Normal office hours resume (9am to 5pm). Normal evening activities |

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| 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 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) |
| Thurs 12 th | 9.30am – 10.30am | Civic Hall | New: Kickstarter 8by8. Pre-school football and exercise. Contact Alex Brown on info@8by8football.co.uk or 07853 273578 |
| Fri 13 th | 1pm- 7.30pm | Civic Hall | Blood Donor session. Appointments only 0300 123 2323 |
| Mon 16 th | 8pm | Civic Hall | Planning and Environment Committee |
| Tues 17 th | 1.30-2.30 | Civic Hall | U3A monthly meeting. New members welcome |
| Tues 17 th | 7-9.30 | Civic Hall | Flower Club. New members welcome |
| Sat 21 st | 8-12pm | Civic Hall | New: 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 |
| Sun 29 th | 4-6pm | Civic Hall | New: Restorative Yoga. £12/£10 concessions. Call Emma 07977 886779 |

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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