



Poynton Update and News, Monday 2nd December 2019

Flood update

On the 7th November the Flood Working Group met with representatives from Cheshire East, the Environment Agency and United Utilities to discuss actions and progress following the flooding on the 31st July 2019. The agencies are currently investigating watercourses, culverts and drains in a number of areas. The Environment Agency are collating a newsletter to update residents on progress and this will be available shortly. The Town Clerk attended the Cheshire East Council incident debrief on Friday 15th November with the Clerks from Bollington and Kettleshulme Parish Councils. The meeting was very constructive and a number of key recommendations will be taken to the multi agency debrief for the incident.

Poynton Christmas Fest 2019, Park Lane, 3rd December

Poynton Town Council is pleased to provide funding for Poynton Christmas Fest which is on Tuesday 3rd December, 7pm – 9pm and supporting volunteers from Projects for Poynton to deliver the event. The volunteers work very hard to make the event happen for the benefit of the community, and the event is also an opportunity for local community groups and businesses to celebrate the start of the festive season. This year the organisers are encouraging people to think about the environment by walking to the event, bringing their own drinks containers, using paper not plastic straws, etc. Please observe the traffic restrictions along Park Lane.



Christmas Movie Matinee, 6th December

Poynton High School students are hosting a Christmas Movie Matinee for the residents of Poynton on Friday 6th December. The students arrange the event and hope to give something back to their community, in particular our older residents. 'It's a Wonderful Life' will be showing in the main hall at Poynton High School and complimentary light refreshments will be served. Movie goers can arrive from 12noon for a 12.30pm – 2.45pm showing. Admission to the event is free, but the school request a small donation to cover hospitality costs. Places are limited so please book a place, by the 2nd December by contacting the school on 01625 871811.

Your next Councillor surgeries are on 7th December 2019 and 4th January 2020

Your chance to meet your local Cheshire East and Poynton Town Councillor and Police Community Support Officer to raise any issues about Poynton. Drop-in at Poynton Civic Hall from 10am to 11am or make an appointment for 11am, 11.20am or 11.40am on 01625 872238.

Truth, Trust and Technology, 22nd January and 5th February

Parents... can your children tell FACT from FICTION online? The Digital Life Skills Company are organising FREE 'parent' sessions at Poynton Civic Hall, supported by Poynton Area Community Partnership and Poynton Town Council. Two, 2 hour workshops are available for up to twenty parents on 22nd January, 10am – 12 noon and 5th February, 7.30pm – 9.30pm, which will enable parents to feel more confident having informed conversations with their children about digital literacy. Suitable for parents of children aged 9 – 14 years. To reserve your place email: info@digitallifeskills.org.uk or book via Eventbrite.

[Weds-22-Jan-truth-trust-technology-help-your-kids-spot-misinformation-online](#)

[Weds-5-Feb-truth-trust-technology-help-your-kids-spot-misinformation-online](#)

Road sweeping

Cheshire East Council regularly sweep the roads in the Town. If you notice any areas that require particular attention please report to Cheshire East using the following [link](#).



CCST/Ranger New Dog Worrying Sheep Signs

The Council Community Support Team have liaised with Cheshire East Rangers in order to have new and improved signs placed at several entrances to Poynton Park next to the pool asking dog owners to be responsible and keep their dogs on leads in this area. Cheshire East Ranger Peter said: "It's fantastic that the Community Support team are supporting this important message".



Please direct all enquiries regarding recent sheep attacks to the [Cheshire East Countryside Ranger Service rangers@cheshireeast.gov.uk](mailto:rangers@cheshireeast.gov.uk) (website: <https://bit.ly/35rhefP>)

Nitrous Oxide ('Laughing Gas') Warning

Recently the Council Community Support Team have had several reports of nitrous oxide canisters being discarded in public areas around Poynton, in particular around Marley Road and Chester Road.

The CCST warn that it appears to be a growing trend amongst young people who refer to Nitrous Oxide as 'laughing gas' and many teens and parents are naïve regarding the dangerous and occasionally lethal effects of inhaling the substance. The CCST say "Be aware that this type of activity is happening in Poynton. Do you know what your children are doing this evening"?

Reporting issues in Poynton

Poynton Town Council is committed to keeping Poynton a fantastic place to live, work and visit. However, sometimes things go wrong and our environment is affected. This can be anything from a pothole in the road to a faulty street light.

This [quick guide](#) will show you how to report some of these issues in order to get them fixed by the organisations responsible.

The Town Council has made every effort to verify the information contained in this directory. However, if there are any errors or omissions, please contact Operations Manager, Phil Cunningham at Phil.cunningham@poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk or call 01625 872238.

If you have public order concerns, you should contact the Police on 999 (for emergencies) or 101 (for non-emergencies). For other issues, such as graffiti, damage to play equipment etc. please report it to the police and notify the Town Council.

Moggie Lane bridge repair update

In a recent letter to residents, Cheshire East Highways stated..

"We have been delayed in progressing with the design and construction of the retaining wall due to the exposed water trunk main in the area of collapse. We have been advised by United Utilities, the asset owner, that it is not safe to work near the exposed main in its current state and so we are currently waiting for the main to be diverted before we can recommence on site. As such we cannot currently give an exact timescale for the full repair but will keep you updated as more details become available."

In more recent developments, United Utilities contractors have been to site but heavy rain and waterlogged ground conditions have made it difficult to determine a way forward. A couple of options are being explored including laying a brand new main. As more information becomes available we will do our best to keep PUN readers updated.

Winter well-being

Cheshire East Council is providing useful information to help us find advice and about how to keep warm, well and safe in winter, as well as how to be a good winter neighbour.

There is information here: http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/livewell/health-matters/keeping-well/winter_wellbeing/winter_wellbeing.aspx



Job vacancy at Poynton Town Council, Cleaner – Part Time (10hrs per week) Closing date 8th December 2019

Poynton Town Council has an immediate vacancy for a part time cleaner at the Civic Hall in Poynton.

The hours of work will be:

Monday 8am – 10am **Tuesday – Thursday** 3.00pm – 5.00pm **Friday** 3.30pm – 4.30pm

The postholder will be required to be flexible around the hours of work and may be required to occasionally work weekends. Hours may vary subject to the bookings and events taking place at the Civic Hall, notice of changes to the working pattern will be given in advance.

The Civic Hall provides excellent facilities to host a variety of community and private activities, celebrations and parties. The role holder will be required to ensure all areas of the Offices, Civic Hall, Reception Area, Rooms, Kitchen and Toilets used by hirers and staff are kept clean and tidy at all times.

There is a physical element of setting up and packing away furniture and the post holder will therefore need to have a flexible approach to work and be able to manage the practical demands of the role. In addition, the cleaner must be able to develop good relationships with all building users and visitors.

The salary is the National Joint Council for Local Government Services (NJC) New SCP 1 – 2, depending on experience, payable monthly.

If you would like to join this dynamic team to help continue to deliver high quality services to hirers, we would like to hear from you.

For a full job description, employee specification and application form, or for further information, please email Kate McDowell, the Deputy Clerk, on kate.mcdowell@poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk or ring 01625 872238, or call in to the Civic Hall between 9am and 4.30pm.

Visit our website www.poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk

Poynton Easy Access Scheme (PEAS)

The mobility scooters and wheelchairs (of various sizes) are available for hire at very competitive prices. Wheelchairs and scooters cost £2 for up to two hours, £4 for two hours to a full day and £10 for a week (wheelchairs) and £20 per week (scooters).

Visiting friends or family are welcome to hire them at the same charges. Hire them for friends and family or for your Christmas shopping! Call in to the Civic Hall anytime to book a wheelchair, or ring reception on 01625 872238 to make an appointment for a mobility scooter induction session.



Hire the large hall over the run up to Christmas

Why not use Poynton's Civic Hall (including kitchen area) for £25 per hour! Host a birthday party or get a group of children and adults out and about for a few hours. Bring a picnic or play equipment, play badminton, hire a bouncy castle, hold a disco. Short notice bookings available. Call in or contact us for more details. Tel 01625 872238 reception@poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk.

Library events during the festive period

- Thurs 5th Dec, 3.30pm - 4.45pm Lego club. Free
- Tues 10th Dec, 2pm - 3pm Book chat. Free
- Thurs 12th Dec, 2pm - 4.30pm Christmas Crafts, £1 per child. Drop in
- Tues 17th Dec, 6pm - 6.30pm Christmas bedtime stories. Free but please collect a ticket from the library
- Thurs 19th Dec, 10.30am Christmas rhymetime. Christmas outfits welcome. Free
- Thurs, 2nd Jan, 3.30pm - 4.45pm Lego club. Free



New classes in the civic hall — XO ciZe, starting 8th January 2020



This moderate intensity exercise to music class is for all fitness levels with a unique teaching style. It's not daunting, it is doable and fun with many life changing benefits. Every Wednesday 7 - 8pm, £5 pay-as-you go on the door for your first class, then £20 per month going forward. 07970 099579, Facebook: XO ciZe www.xocize.com sarah@xocize.com

Christmas and New Year opening hours

The Town Council will be open in the run up to the festive season, although it will closed on Tuesday 24th Dec through to Sunday 29th inclusive. There will be no evening activities in the civic hall on 30th and 31st December. The Town Council will reopen Thursday 2nd January 2020. Season's Greetings to all.

Activities and events at the Civic Hall

December 2019

Tues 3 rd	7 - 9pm	Poynton Christmas Fest. See details above
Sat 7 th	10am - 12 noon	Joint Town Council, Cheshire East Council and Police working together surgery. Drop-in at Poynton Civic Hall from 10am to 11am or make an appointment for 11am, 11.20am or 11.40am on 01625 872238.
Sat 7 th	8 - 11pm	Poynton Ceilidh 'Ironmasters with Baz Parkes' tickets £9/4.50 on the door or from www.poyntonceilidh.co.uk
Sun 8 th	2pm	Poynton Vernon Brass Band Concert, 'Christmas Spectacular'. Tickets £8.00 at enquiries@poyntonband.co.uk
Mon 9 th	8pm	Finance and General Purposes Committee
Thurs 12 th	7am - 10pm	General Elections
Sat 14 th	7pm	The Dovedale Singers, Salford Royal Choir & Werneth Concert Band "Festive Harmonies" Tickets £8.50 available at Mates DIY or www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/festive-harmonies-tickets-77314705365
Sun 15 th	2pm	Poynton Royal British Legion and the Just Sing Choir Family Christmas Concert. £7.50/under 16's free. 01625 876865 prbl.band@ntlworld.com
Mon 16 th	8pm	Town Council Meeting
Weds 18 th	7.30pm	Joel Wilding Concert "Just in Time" Tickets from the Civic Hall £7.00
Fri 20 th	1pm - 9pm	Blood Service - appointments only: www.blood.co.uk 0161 251 4200
Mon 23 rd	8pm	Planning and Environment Committee

January 2020

Sat 4 th	10am - 12 noon	Joint Town Council, Cheshire East Council and Police working together surgery. Drop-in at Poynton Civic Hall from 10am to 11am or make an appointment for 11am, 11.20am or 11.40am on 01625 872238.
Mon 6 th	8pm	Planning and Environment Committee
Weds 8 th	8pm	XO ciZe, fitness class. See details above.
Fri 10 th	7pm	Twinning Association, New Year's dinner. 3 course meal at Ciao. Tickets £16 available from the civic hall. www.twinningassociationpoynton.com
Mon 13 th	8pm	Community, Order and Public Safety Committee
Mon 20 th	8pm	Management and Establishment Committee
Mon 27 th	8pm	Planning and Environment Committee

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