



Poynton Update and News, Aug 2019

Flooding Update

The Town Council has set up a Flooding Working Group to review the response provided and resources made available by the Environment Agency and Cheshire East Council before, during and after the flooding event. The Town Council's Flooding Working Group met for the first time on Wednesday 14th August 2019. The group consists of two Poynton Town Councillors, a Cheshire East Ward Councillor and four members of the public with expertise in civil engineering, flood risk and drainage. The Working Group are still looking for a hydrologist to work with them on a voluntary basis. Members of the Working Group attended the flood drop in event on the 15th August to gather further information and to ask questions of the agencies responsible for managing risk in the Town.

The Working Group will also consider actions taken by Cheshire East as the Lead Local Flood Authority in relation to the 2016 floods and then consider what future action can be undertaken to limit the impact of future heavy rainfall. It will also seek to make recommendations on mitigation measures that can be implemented and work with Cheshire East, Environment Agency, United Utilities and other public or private bodies to ensure that any recommendations are undertaken in a timely manner.

The Town Council and Environment Agency are continuing to gather and collate further information on properties affected by the flood. If you were affected by the flooding in 2016 or 2019, but haven't already done so please complete our form which can be obtained at the Civic Hall or by contacting the Clerk at haf.barlow@poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk. You should also report any floods to the Environment Agency on 0800 807060.

Since the flooding, the Town Council has submitted further comments to Cheshire East in relation to the Planning Applications on Hazelbadge Road and Sprink Farm.

The updated comments on Hazelbadge Road can be viewed here <https://bit.ly/2Z5tFPz> and the comments in relation to Sprink Farm can be viewed here. <https://bit.ly/33JqfRm>

Cheshire East Cabinet Member for the Environment Nick Mannion told BBC Radio Manchester this week that the Poynton Brook is the council's "top priority" among all flood relief work. See article here. <https://bbc.in/2Nm2d9b>

Hazelbadge Road Development

The Hazelbadge Road development planning application will be considered further by the Cheshire East Strategic Planning Board on the 28th August 2019. Representatives from the Town Council will attend and give their views on the application. The agenda for the Strategic Planning Board Meeting can be found here. <https://bit.ly/2HjdBz4> The Town Council is requesting that the application is deferred to enable further investigations following the recent flooding event.

Local Plan Strategy

Following the adoption of the Local Plan Strategy in 2017, Cheshire East Council has prepared a number of additional planning documents. Cheshire East are currently consulting on the Site Allocations and Development Policies Document (SADPD). You can read and comment on the document here. <https://bit.ly/2MmdS8p> The Poynton specific policies can be found on pages 150-154 of the document.





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Home From Home Friendship Group

A number of organisations are working in partnership to provide a place for people who are lonely to meet with others in a welcoming, safe environment to enjoy a cuppa and a chat. Activities will be tailored to individuals interests and health and wellbeing advice will also be available.



Home from Home is every other Thursday at 1.30pm – 3.30pm, Poynton Civic Hall. The next few sessions are on the following dates - 29th Aug, 12th Sept and 26th Sept.

To book a place, please contact the Local Area Co-ordinators on 07826 902227 or 07973 949187 who will support people to attend the group, if needed.

Community Grants Awarded by Poynton Town Council

A number of local groups have applied for and have been awarded Community Grants from Poynton Town Council.

The **Poynton Heritage Garden** working group has been awarded £300 towards the maintenance and upkeep of the garden. Local volunteers responsible for this project, include representatives from Poynton and District Rotary Club, Poynton In Bloom, Projects 4 Poynton, Poynton Town Council and Poynton Library.



The **Friends of Poynton Summerfest** group was awarded £2000 towards the costs involved in running the annual event.

Poynton In Bloom did you know that Poynton Town Council fund the cost of the plants used by the group? Find out more about Poynton in Bloom here. <https://bit.ly/2JSKu4N>

If you volunteer or run a community group in Poynton and want to apply for a Community Grant please contact haf.barlow@poyntontowncouncil.co.uk or for more information.

Street Sign Refurbished by the Village Ranger

Brookside Avenue have a shiny new sign. The Village Ranger has managed to save the original cast iron sign, stripped it back and repainted it, so it looks like new.



Poynton Town Council at Poynton Show, Saturday 24th August

Poynton Town Council will see you at the show on Saturday. We will have a stall hosted by the Council Community Support Team. The Team will give an insight into the roles and responsibilities that the Town Council's Support Officers will be involved with on a day to day basis. This will be a great opportunity to meet the Team and inform them of any issues that you may be concerned about in our community. Please do drop by and say hello.

