



Poynton Update and News, 22nd May 2017

Mayor and Deputy Mayor, 2017/18

Following the Annual Town Meeting on 15th May, Cllr Mrs Sarah-Jane Gilmore is the new Town Mayor and Cllr Mrs Jo Sewart is the new Deputy Mayor. Names and contact details of all Town and Poynton Cheshire East Councillors are on the website, along with dates and agendas for future meetings, www.poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk

Town Council's Annual report, 2016/17

The Annual Report was presented at the Town Assembly in April, the annual occasion when Poynton's electorate raise and discuss local issues. The report details the work and achievements of the Town Council and its Committees during the last civic year and is on the Town Council's website. Paper copies can be had from the Civic Hall on request.

Churches Together Hustings for the Election, Weds 24th

There will be at least five candidates at the hustings, chaired by Rev. Neil Brighton, with a mix of written questions, and "live" questions through the Chair. Organised by Churches Together, it will be held at Poynton Baptist Church on Park Lane and everyone is welcome.

Poynton – a dementia friendly town

This is Dementia Awareness Week and the Council is working with many other organisations, groups and individuals towards Poynton becoming a 'dementia friendly town'. The steering group has just published a new leaflet listing all groups in and around Poynton where people with dementia, their carers, friends and family are welcome, on the web-site [here](#). Call in to the Civic Hall for a paper copy. Contact Sharon Duke, Communities Co-ordinator, if you want to be part of increasing dementia awareness in Poynton.

The new Mayor's chosen charity is Living Well, the group for people with dementia and their carers which meets at St George's church. There is a display at the Civic Hall reception where you can buy twiddle muffs and blankets for use by people with dementia made by Clickety Click, the voluntary knitting group, and you can donate wool and craft items for the knitters.

The Herbert Protocol helps provide reassurance should a vulnerable adult go missing. It is a national initiative adopted by Cheshire Constabulary and now launching in Poynton. It is a form to keep at home with important information about a vulnerable person such as routines and medical requirements to hand to the Police if someone goes missing to alleviate the worry of collecting the information during a stressful time. Anyone can use the form for free and it is [here](#), or ask one of the PCSOs about it.

Middlewood Road

This will be closed until 30th June as the crash barriers there before the floods are now deemed to be not up to standard and new ones also need to be installed along other sections of the road to meet required safety standards. Cheshire East Council information about all road closures is [here](#).

National Grid, concerning the electricity network work to be carried out, June 2017

Refurbishment work will be carried out on National Grid's electricity transmission line between the Macclesfield substation and Bredbury to replace insulators, fittings and wires along the 55 pylons on the 18km route. This will involve the creation of temporary access routes to the pylons and some road closures but electricity supplies will not be affected. The work will be carried out between late July and September. There is more information [here](#). This is on the Town Council's Planning and Environment Committee agenda for Monday 22nd May, 8pm.

Consultation about proposed changes to local bus services

Cheshire East Council is proposing changes to local supported (subsidised) bus services as part of its budget plans. Details of proposed changes are in an information booklet, online with the questionnaire and information at www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/busreview. Printed copies are available in Customer Service Centres and libraries. This follows the review earlier this year. The consultation closes on Wednesday 26th July 2017.

Give feedback by completing the questionnaire at www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/busreview, emailing comments to: bus.review@cheshireeast.gov.uk or completing the questionnaire in the consultation packs and returning it in the freepost envelope provided.

There will be a drop-in information session in the Civic Hall on Tuesday 13th June from 2pm to 7pm. The review will be discussed at the next Town Council Community, Order and Public Safety Committee, 8.30pm on Monday 5th June to which any resident is welcome.

Public Space Protection Order, Poynton Sports Club

This order is now in place to keep the Sports Club grounds safe and enjoyable for members and guests, following prolonged efforts by the Sports Club, PTC Councillors and local police officers. Signs are up around the Sports Club stating what people are required not to do in order to avoid committing an offence. Dial 101 if you see anything suspicious and take the registration number of any cars involved if you can.

Business Jelly café, Thursday 25th May

Do you work at home or run your own small business? Why not come along to the Business Jelly café to meet other freelancers and small business people, bring your lap top and work alongside others: free wifi, light refreshments, the chance to make new connections and meet the host from Poynton in Business. Drop-in at any time or stay from 9am to 12.30pm, £3.

Volunteers' Week – find out about opportunities with the Town Council

There are a variety of ways to volunteer and you are invited to meet Sharon Duke, Communities Co-ordinator, to see if one interests you. Drop-in for a 'no obligation' chat: Friday 2nd June, 10am to 11am; Monday 5th June, 2pm to 3pm and Thursday 8th June, 2pm to 3pm. Sharon can put you in touch with other organisations as well.

Councillor surgery

Meet your local Cheshire East and Poynton Town Councillor, and Police Community Support Officer. The next surgeries are Saturdays 3rd June and 1st July: drop-in from 10am to 11am or make an appointment for times between 11am to 12 noon on 01625 872238.

The Great Get Together – grants available

The Great Get Together will take place on 17th and 18th June as people across the country get together to mark the first anniversary of Jo Cox's murder on 16th June last year. Cheshire East Council is encouraging residents to join together in their communities to share food, conversation and celebrate what we all have in common. There are grants of up to £100 for general costs, including insurance, with a deadline for applications of Wednesday 31st May 2017. Application forms and information [here](#).

Wednesday Lunch Club

There are two places available in the weekly group for people who are physically frail and with some memory problems. The group provides a caring and stimulating environment for ten people and a break for their carers. It meets from 10am to 2pm with a hot lunch provided and is run by experienced volunteers, managed by Poynton Town Council in partnership with Age UK Cheshire East and costs £20 a week. Transport can be arranged. Please contact Sharon Duke, Communities Co-ordinator, on 872238 or sharon.duke@poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk

Board room style tables and chairs

The Town Council no longer needs six large committee tables and 18 chairs and is offering them for sale. If interested and to view them, contact Laurent Wawrzyniak, Caretaker, in the Civic Hall. Bids for their purchase, either for some or all the items, need to be with Reception by Friday 9th June, 1pm, in a sealed envelope marked 'furniture sale'.

A reminder...

Cheshire East Council (CEC) survey on playing areas

There is still time to give feedback on the two CEC strategies relating to Playing Pitch and Indoor Built Facilities across Cheshire East which are key to the new Local Plan (once adopted). The consultation closes on 31st May. It is on the Facilities, Infrastructure and Economic Development Committee agenda for Monday 22nd May. The consultation is [here](#).

Poynton Civic Awards 2017

The Town Council welcomes nominations for the Civic Awards and Youth Civic Awards. These are awarded to Poynton residents and young people who have made a significant and/or sustained contribution to the community of Poynton. A brief citation in an email or a letter stating the reasons for nominating is all that is required by Tuesday 20th June to liz.osborn@poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk or drop them off at the Civic Hall.

May 2017			
Mon 22 nd	7.30pm	Civic Hall	Planning and Environment Committee
Mon 22 nd	8pm	Civic Hall	Facilities, Infrastructure and Economic Development Committee
Weds 24 th	7.30pm	Baptist Church, Park Lane	Churches Together Hustings for the Election. Questions to the candidates. Everyone welcome.
Thurs 25 th	9am to 12.30pm	Civic Hall	Business Jelly café for freelancers and small business people, wifi, refreshments, Poynton in Business host, £3
Tues 30 th	8.30pm to 9.30pm	Civic Hall	Police Working Together meeting. Drop-in
June 2017			
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Mon 5 th	2pm to 3pm	Civic Hall	Find out about volunteering opportunities. Drop-in to meet Sharon Duke, Communities Co-ordinator.
Sat 3 rd	10am to 12 noon	Civic Hall	Councillor and PCSO Surgery. Drop-in 10am to 11am. Call 872238 for appointments at 11am, 11.20am, 11.40am
Mon 5 th	7.30pm	Civic Hall	Planning and Environment Committee
Mon 5 th	8.15pm	Civic Hall	Community, Order and Public Safety Committee
Thurs 8 th	2pm to 3pm	Civic Hall	Find out about volunteering opportunities. Drop-in to meet Sharon Duke, Communities Co-ordinator.
Mon 12 th	8pm	Civic Hall	Finance and General Purposes Committee
Tues 13 th	2pm to 7pm	Civic Hall	Bus review and proposed changes to local services. Cheshire East Council consultation event. Drop-in.
Sat 17 th	5pm to 10.30pm	Poynton Park	Party in the Park. Family charity musical spectacular organised by Poynton Rotary Club. Tickets available here
Mon 19 th	8pm	Civic Hall	Town Council meeting
Tues 20 th	5pm	Civic Hall	Civic Awards – closing date

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