



Poynton Update and News, 23rd June 2017

Civic Sunday

The Town Mayor, Cllr Mrs Sarah-Jane Gilmore, will be hosting this year's Civic Service and Reception on Sunday 23rd July. The service is at St George's Church at 10.30am and all are welcome. This will be followed by a reception at the Civic Hall, starting at around noon. The Mayor will present the Civic Awards and the Youth Civic Awards, and leaders of all Poynton's local voluntary and other community organisations are invited to attend the reception. Please email reception@poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk if you would like to attend the reception, giving your name and organisation.

Message from Haybes in sympathy and solidarity

The Town Council and Twinning Association of Poynton (TAP) have received the following message from the Twinning Committee in Haybes: "With great sadness and in the name of all our members I take my pen to express our support and compassion in this terrible moment. All our thoughts are with you and the victims and families. Great Britain and France stand up together for peace and solidarity". TAP has replied to our French twinning partners.

Exercise of public rights, Town Council accounts 2016-17

Residents have the right to inspect our accounting records and documents relating to them and these are available until 1st August 2017 if you ring the Civic Hall on 01625 872238 or call in and ask for Haf Barlow, Deputy Clerk. There is further information [here](#).

Councillor surgery

Meet your local Cheshire East and Poynton Town Councillor, and Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) at the next surgeries on Saturdays 1st July and 2nd September: drop-in from 10am to 11am or make an appointment for times between 11am to 12 noon on 01625 872238.

A6 to Manchester Airport Relief Road (A6MARR) opening Spring 2018

The new 10km relief road is now delayed following heavy rainfall, localised flooding and poor ground conditions changing the construction programme. The contractors are holding an information session on 4th July from 2pm to 8pm at the Civic Hall and there is more information on their web-site, including maps, [here](#).

Twinning Association of Poynton – first anniversary of Haybes twinning

To celebrate the first anniversary of the signing of the twinning agreement there will be a dinner at Il Borgo Antico in Park Lane on Wednesday 5th July at 6.30pm. The cost for a two course dinner will be £17 and tickets are available at the Civic Hall.

An informal and casual group of cyclists, known as the Poynton Pedallers, started making plans last year to visit Haybes. Rob McLaren, Vicar of St George's, Councillors Howard Murray and Mike Beanland and ex-Town Clerk Malcolm Adams took to the saddle to spend three days on a self-funded stay in Haybes. They were given a warm welcome on arrival by the Mayor and members of the Haybes Twinning Committee, and treated to a busy visit programme, characterised by generous hospitality throughout. In addition to a guided tour of Haybes, an official reception and dinner, and beer tasting at the local micro-brewery, the Pedallers cycled with local biking enthusiasts along the River Meuse and into nearby Belgium. They also enjoyed some exhilarating mountain biking!

The Pedallers were fortunate enough to be the first interest group to visit Haybes, and TAP would very much like to encourage further visits in both directions. Haybes has much to offer in the shape of hotels, restaurants and local festivals. It also has an extensive central camp site that borders the River Meuse, as well as an impressive Gite for private hire, and hostel type accommodation for school or sports parties.

Much importance will be placed by our Haybes' colleagues on various events and activities planned for August 2018, marking 100 years since the end of the First World War. It would be wonderful if any prospective visits to Haybes could be planned to coincide with that period, as well as between now and then, and TAP members would be very happy to provide details of local contacts as well as general help or advice.

Higher Poynton Summerfest, 9th July, 11.30am to 4:30pm

This annual family event takes place on the Middlewood Way, opposite The Boars Head pub on Shrigley Road North, and on the Mount Vernon playing field behind. It features live entertainment on the former Higher Poynton railway platform, including the Poynton Youth Brass Band and the Downfall Band. The BBQ from Rushey Hey Farm will be there, plus a tea room serving tea, coffee and cakes. There will be a variety of stalls selling local products, and pony rides. Entrance is free, with a charge of £3.00 for parking. With some financial support from Poynton Town Council.

Defibrillators (AEDs) in Poynton

A list of where the defibrillators are located has been compiled by a local volunteer. The list is on the Town Council noticeboards around the village and on the web-site [here](#). Defibs can be used by anyone in the event of someone having a cardiac arrest. You do not need training as the equipment talks you through what to do although you may wish to look at a St John Ambulance first aid training video on You Tube [here](#).

Poynton memorabilia

Poynton Dementia Steering Group are working towards making Poynton more dementia friendly and the group are creating a Poynton Reminiscence box to be included in the suite of boxes that can be hired from Cheshire East Council library service. The group are using a vintage suitcase to collect small items of memorabilia relating to Poynton. We have already received some donations – a teatowel with illustrations of Poynton's churches, a twiddlemuff, aircraft items from Avro Museum and newspaper articles about the tornado in 1960. We would welcome more items. Contact Sharon Duke, Communities Co-ordinator on 01625 872238 if you would like more information about this or the work that the Dementia Steering Group is doing.

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. It meets from 10am to 2pm with a hot lunch and is run by experienced volunteers, managed by the Town Council in partnership with Age UK Cheshire East and costs £20 a week. Transport by car can be arranged for £5. Contact Sharon Duke on 872238.

Citizens Advice

CA has a new telephone number to book appointments in the Civic Hall. They can help sort out financial, legal and other problems by offering free, confidential, impartial and independent information and advice during sessions at the Civic Hall at the following times: **Drop-ins:** Tuesday 9.30am to 12.30pm, Wednesday 6.00pm to 8.00pm, Thursday 11.00am to 12.30pm. **By appointment:** Thursday 9:30am and 10.15am. Call 01625 432847 or advice@citizensadvicecn.org.uk to book.

The Centre, Park Lane events

There will be another 60s/70s night at the Centre on 5th August and tickets will be on sale at Mates DIY on Park Lane. Dance to the sounds of that iconic era. The 'Vulcan' Bar will be fully operational. The 100 Club which has been running for a couple of years, and still has vacancies for new members to join. This helps to support the Centre with funds to finance ongoing maintenance and repairs to this unique building that Poynton residents can be proud of. You can become a member of the Centre for just £1. Details and enquiries on 01625 875555 or info@thecentreinpoynton.co.uk. Have a look on the Centre's new website www.thecentreinpoynton.co.uk.

Volunteer opportunity: Wednesday Lunch Club

We are looking for volunteers to join the rota who can encourage members to get involved with playing games, doing quizzes, singing-along etc. The group meets from 10am to 2pm. You don't need any previous experience as we provide training and support. Contact Sharon Duke on sharon.duke@poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk or 01625 872238 to discuss it.

A reminder...

Poynton Civic Awards 2017 – last chance

The Town Council welcomes nominations for the annual 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 e-mail or a letter stating the reasons for nominating is all that is required. The awards will be presented by the Town Mayor on Sunday 23rd July. Please send in your nominations by Thursday 29th June to the Town Clerk, liz.osborn@poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk or drop them at the Civic Hall.

Consultation about proposed changes to local supported bus services

Cheshire East Council is proposing changes, including the removal of the P1 bus service. Details are in an information booklet and online at www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/busreview. Printed copies are available in Customer Service Centres and libraries. The consultation closes on 26th July 2017. Complete the questionnaire at www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/busreview or in consultation packs and return in the freepost envelope provided, or email comments: bus.review@cheshireeast.gov.uk

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| Fri 23 rd | 7.30pm | Poynton Egypt Group. Bringing out the dead: excavations in a Theban tomb. Doors open 7.30pm, talk starts 8pm. Non members £5. 01625 612641 or 0161 865 5886. |
| Mon 26 th | 8pm | Facilities, Infrastructure and Economic Development Committee |
| Tues 27 th | 7.30pm-9pm | Police Working Together meeting. All welcome to drop-in |
| July 2017 | | |
| Sat 1 st | 10am-12 noon | Councillor and PCSO Surgery. Drop-in 10am to 11am. Call 872238 for appointments at 11am, 11.20am, 11.40am |
| Mon 3 rd | 8pm | Community, Order and Public Safety Committee |
| Tues 4 th | 2pm-8pm | A6 to Manchester Airport Relief Road (A6MARR) - information event |
| Weds 5 th | 2pm – 7pm | Proposals for land at Hazelbadge Road – consultation event by Persimmon Homes |
| Weds 5 th | 6.30pm | Twinning Association meal at Il Borgo Antico. Tickets from Civic Hall. |
| Sunday 9 th | 11.30am to 4.30pm | Higher Poynton Summer Fest, Middlewood Way |

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