



POYNTON UPDATE AND NEWS – DECEMBER 2015

P1 Bus Information

There are no plans to withdraw the P1 bus, despite the rumours. The depot is being moved from Macclesfield to Winsford, but we have been assured the service will continue.

Woodford Road – Road closure

Woodford Road, north of Lower Park Road, will be subject to a further road closure from Monday 25th January 2016. The closure will be in place between 20.00 and 06.00 and it is anticipated that the works will be completed by 15th February 2016. The alternative route will be via Chester Road, London Road North, Dean Lane and vice versa.

Up-to-date information about road works is given on the PTC web-site here:
www.poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk

Middlewood and Higher Poynton Women's Institute Centenary Garden

To celebrate the Centenary of the Women's Institute, Middlewood and Higher Poynton WI have planted a small garden area at the front of Poynton Civic Hall. The area contains three roses cultivated especially to commemorate the Centenary. Chris Halsall of Poynton in Bloom designed the garden and a plaque was unveiled by Poynton Mayor, Cllr Mrs Rebecca Horsman-Johnson on Saturday 21st November 2015. 20 members of Middlewood and Higher Poynton WI attended.

Great job on the Inclines

Nearly 30 volunteers descended on Poynton's Inclines on Saturday 14th November to help tidy the paths and plant in new saplings. The Town Council organised event welcomed Cubs and Beavers from 1st Poynton Scout Group who did a fantastic job of clearing mud from the paths and planting in new native species. Some of the plants were kindly donated by the Woodland Trust as part of their First World War commemoration initiative, with the Town Council providing the balance. Another session of planting and clearing has been booked for Saturday 27th February 2016. Information on the Town Council's long term management plan for the Inclines, as well as walks and details of future events, are available on the Inclines Management section of the Town Council website or from the Civic Hall.

Poynton Pickers

Poynton Town Council would like to thank the dozen hardy souls who battled the elements to help with the recent community litter pick. Plenty of rubbish was collected from all over the village. Refreshments were provided.

Poynton Town Council would like to thank AWARD SIGNS for donating the Picker's prizes. Another litter pick has been arranged for Saturday 23rd April 2016. There will be kids' activities, competitions and prizes. Further details nearer the time.

Poynton Town Council Poynton Achievements in Customer Excellence (PACE) Awards winners

Businesses from across Poynton gathered recently at the Davenport Golf Club for a gala event to announce the winners of the Poynton Town Council Poynton Achievements in Customer Excellence (PACE) Awards. Macclesfield MP, David Rutley and Poynton Mayor Cllr Mrs Rebecca Horsman-Johnson attended the Dinner and presented the awards. The category winners receiving awards were; Tom Yam Thai Restaurant (Retail & Eateries); Serisabelle Holistic and Beauty Therapy (Service Providers), Primary Website (Business-to-Business) and Paul Tavernor Gallery (Open Category). The prestigious Poynton Business of the Year 2015 Award went to Serisabelle Holistic and Beauty Therapy and the 2015 Poynton Employee of the Year award was presented to Sue Watkins from the brain injury charity, Headway. The Town Council would like to thank all residents who voted in the awards and congratulates all the winners.

Bomber Command petition

Mr Theo Eaves attended a Town Council meeting in November to put forward a petition against the decision to refuse to award the Clasp to RAF Bomber Command Veterans who flew missions over Europe during World War Two from outside the UK. Poynton Town Council is pleased to support Mr Eaves and encourages you to support his petition too. Please see the Town Council web-site for more details and the link to the petition: www.poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk

Leaves everywhere

As autumn comes to an end, the annual problem of leaves on pavements, roads and footpaths comes to a head. The Town Council has been in contact with Cheshire East Council regarding this issue and has been advised that rather than undertaking a schedule of leaf clearing, Cheshire East will be responding on a complaint basis. Residents are therefore requested to contact Cheshire East directly either by telephoning 0300 123 5011, emailing info@cheshireeast.gov.uk with any photographs of the problem or logging it on-line at: http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/environment/street_cleaning_and_litter/street_cleaning_and_litter.aspx

Litter Pickers Volunteer Group

The Town Council is looking at setting up a volunteer group, Poynton Pickers. This is for residents who would like to get involved in a regular community litter pick or for those who would prefer to pick litter on an ad hoc basis. Gloves, litter grabbers, hi-viz tabards and rubbish bags will be provided. If you are interested please contact Richard Holland on 01625 873328 or richard.holland@poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk

Poynton 10k Run

Following the highly successful inaugural Poynton 10k Run held in March, the Town Council would like to inform residents that the organising company is no longer in operation. A number of participants have expressed disappointment that there may not be a 10k run in 2016 and so the Town Council is seeking volunteers to create an organising committee to take on the running of the event (if you'll pardon the pun). Anyone interested in getting involved in this can contact Richard Holland at the Town Council on 01625 872238 or at Richard.holland@poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk

Council Surgery – meet your Councillor

The next Council Surgery is on **Saturday 9th January**. The first hour, from **10am to 11am** will be a drop in, with no appointment necessary. For the second hour, three 20 minute bookable appointments are available, starting at **11am, 11.20am and 11.40am**. To book an appointment, please phone the Civic Hall reception staff on 01625 872238, or e-mail reception@poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk

REMINDERS/DIARY DATES

Minibus

Poynton Town Council has a minibus for hire at competitive rates. The nine-seater vehicle plus driver enables the Town Council to operate a not for profit community transport scheme, available to community groups, churches, schools, voluntary organisations, scouts, guides, charity registered residential homes, sports clubs etc.

The minibus is available for daily, multiple day, weekend or one-off hire, and while membership of the scheme is required, this is at an attractive discounted rate of £5 plus VAT for the first year of membership.

The minibus can be hired with a volunteer driver or an organisation or club may use its own drivers providing they have completed a relevant minibus awareness training course. MiDAS (minibus awareness course) training can be arranged by the Town Council with approved course providers at a current cost of £65 to £75 per person. The MiDAS certificate is valid for 5 years.

Poynton Community Transport are seeking volunteer drivers to drive for the various groups using the Community Minibus. Volunteer drivers should have a clean driving licence and be aged between 25 and 70 years old.

For more information on availability, hire rates and driving, call John Laverick, the Town Council's Community Transport Administrator, on T. 01625 872238, or e-mail commtrans@poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk.

Civic Hall Christmas and New Year Opening Hours

Monday 21 st December 2015	Normal office hours (9am to 5pm). Normal evening activities
Tuesday 22 nd December	Normal office hours (9am to 5pm) Normal evening activities
Wednesday 23 rd December	Office hours: 9am to 12.30pm, 2.30pm to 5pm, closed 12.30pm to 2.30pm Normal evening activities
Thursday 24 th December	CLOSED – Christmas Eve
Friday 25 th December	CLOSED – Christmas Day
Saturday 26 th December	CLOSED – Boxing Day
Monday 28 th December	CLOSED – Bank Holiday
Tuesday 29 th December	Normal office hours (9am to 5pm). No evening activities
Wednesday 30 th December	Normal office hours (9am to 5pm). No evening activities
Thursday 31 st December	Office hours: 9am to 12.30pm (closed 12.30pm onwards) No afternoon or evening activities - New Year's Eve
Friday 1 st January 2016	CLOSED – New Year's Day
Saturday 2 nd January	CLOSED
Monday 4 th January	Normal hours resume

The Town Council would like to wish all Poynton residents and visitors a very merry Christmas, and a happy, healthy New Year.

DIARY DATES

DATE	TIME	VENUE	DETAIL
JAN. 2015			
Mon 4 th	8pm	Civic Hall	Finance and General Purposes Committee
Sat 9 th	10am to 12 noon	Civic Hall	Councillor Surgery - drop-in from 10am to 11am, bookable appointments from 11am to 12noon. Ring 016625 872238
Mon 11 th	7pm	Civic Hall	Planning and Environment Committee
Mon 11 th	8pm	Civic Hall	Town Council
Mon 18 th	8pm	Civic Hall	Facilities, Infrastructure and Economic Development Committee
Mon 25 th	8pm	Civic Hall	Planning & Environment Committee
Fri 29 th	2.30 – 4.30pm	Civic Hall	David Rutley MP's surgery – by appointment only. Ring 07785 345270

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