

**MINUTES OF THE FACILITIES, INFRASTRUCTURE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
(FIED) COMMITTEE HELD AT 8PM ON MONDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2016 AT  
THE CIVIC HALL, POYNTON.**

**PRESENT**

Chairman: Cllr H Murray

Cllrs: L A Clarke, Mrs S-J Gilmore, Mrs S Horsman, Mrs J Sewart

Attending under SO 56: Cllr I Hollingworth

12. Questions from members of the public

There were no members of the public present.

13. Apologies for absence

Cllrs L Podmore, L Berry, Mrs N Wylie, M Sewart.

14. Declarations of disclosable pecuniary or other interests

Cllr Clarke declared an interest on issues to do with Park Lane.

15. To approve as an accurate record the minutes of the Facilities, Infrastructure and Economic Development Committee meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2016

**RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Facilities, Infrastructure and Economic Development Committee meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2016 are approved as an accurate record (4 for, 1 abstention)**

16. To receive and consider an update for June – July 2016 from the Operations Manager

The Committee received and discussed the report from the Operations Manager, Phil Cunningham.

Park Lane

Some Park Lane kerb stones were replaced on 24<sup>th</sup> July 2016. CE do not hold any spare stock and will not replace stock unless they are given advance notice. The Operations Manager is researching the specification for the blocks from CE Hardscape.

NW Electricity caused damage to half the blocks they lifted but on the insistence of the Operations Manager replaced the concrete they removed not just the sand as planned.

Park Lane trees

The Operations Manager will ask CE to prune their four trees at the end of Burton Drive and London Rd North which are part of their ownership of Park Lane and ask shop keepers to contribute a suggested amount or prune the trees on their own land.

Park Lane moss and weeds.

The Operations Manager will ask CE to arrange cleaning of weeds on the shared CE areas but not privately owned land and to take action on the mis-use of their land re A-boards. The Operations Manager will ask the Council's graffiti removal contractor to price a street clean.

The Operations Manager will draft a letter for the Chairman to ask shop owners to clear the weeds on their land and to ensure they follow the CE A-board policy of one A-board placed near the building on their own land, and give them a copy of the policy.

Cllr Mrs Sewart has received complaints from mobility scooter users that there are more barriers around Poynton, including Fountain Place, and about flags and boards on the Subway verge.

The Operations Manager will thank shop keepers who keep land clean in front of their shops.

#### Litter

Cllr Mrs Sewart has noticed an increase in litter outside Subway as there is no bin. Aldi only have a small bin. The Operations Manager will ask the Subway and Aldi managers to install and empty bins to avoid CE taking action.

Cllr Mrs Gilmore raised the connection between civic pride and the Visitor Economy group with issues of litter and dog fouling. Cllr Mrs Sewart suggested the Communities Coordinator approach schools who deliver citizenship lessons and a poster competition or similar, to be embedded in their annual curriculum. Cllr Mrs Gilmore suggested an ongoing programme of citizenship, in addition to an annual litter pick, for the whole community to take action.

**RESOLVED: That a Civic Pride Project plan is drafted by Cllr Mrs Gilmore for implementation by the Operations Manager and Communities Coordinator.**

**That the Operations Manager write to shop keepers.**

**That reference to the Park Lane work is included in the PUN.**

**That an article is submitted to the Poynton Post.**

**That the Communities Coordinator encourage schools to deliver practical citizenship (NC)**

#### Flooding Response Session 26<sup>th</sup> July 2016

CE are leading this session. Cllr Murray raised the problem of gullies that need to be unblocked and the need to clarify where the flood plain is. Cllr Clarke referred to the flood map from Macclesfield Neighbourhood Plan and one on the CE website. The Operations Manager will take these to the meeting as the flood plain area is now wider, although not covering all Poynton. Cllr Clarke pointed out some individual properties were affected due to channelling, a small brook not being maintained, where an extension crushed the drains and where there were blocked grids which CE will not clear as they are not a priority and Waitrose has responsibility for the car park. CE responded to the Operations Manager that the Willow Close ponding will not be repaired.

The poor state of the surfaces on Middlewood Road, Dickens Lane and Dickens Lane roundabout were discussed.

#### Barnaby Park fencing

The Operations Manager will add the locking up of Barnaby Park to the current contract and recruit a local person to do the unlocking.

**RESOLVED: That the report from the Operations Manager is received with gratitude (4 for, 1 abstention)**

17. To consider updating the current Risk Assessment of Prince's and Lady's Inclines, Poynton and updating the Woodland Management Plan, 2014

**RESOLVED: That the work in the management plan be put in hand and then the decision about updating the risk assessment be carried out (NC)**

18. To consider an update on the Poynton Community Resilience Emergency Plan from the Town Clerk

The Clerk spoke to the report.

**RESOLVED: That the report is received and the action required be implemented (NC)**

19.To receive updates from the Task and Finish Groups, if available

19.1 Footpaths/Cycling - Village Accessibility – Leader Cllr L Berry  
There was nothing to report.

19.2 Poynton Heritage Garden – Leader Cllr Mrs J Sewart  
Cllr Mrs Horsman gave a verbal report. The group leader is Mrs Diane Penny and the Council link is Cllr Mrs Horsman. Permission has been granted by CE to put a decorative truck on the village green. The group is fund-raising. Many comments have been made in support in response to the exhibition in the Civic Hall and Library. Cllrs Murray and Beanland have written to the CE liaison officer to request financial support from SEMMMS for hard materials or a digger. Walter Long is now the project manager. The High School is actively involved.

19.3 Railway Liaison – Leader Cllr C Gorst  
There was nothing to report.

19.4 Visitor Economy – Leader Cllr C Gorst  
There was nothing to report.

**RESOLVED: That the report is received (NC)**

20. To consider and agree any communication messages arising from this meeting

The following items for communication messages arising from the meeting were agreed:

A Civic Pride project plan to be written

Barnaby Park play area is fenced off

The Council is pressing for Middlewood Road repairs to come through and been assured by the CE Chief Executive the repairs will be carried out

Feedback following flood workshop

Reminder in PUN that there is a lot of useful information on the Council website.

**RESOLVED: That the communication message arising from the meeting as stated is approved (NC)**

Meeting end time: 9.50pm