



Poynton with Worth Town Council



Annual Report 2021-2022

Poynton Town Mayor, Cllr Lee Podmore



I hope this message finds you and your loved ones well after an extremely challenging past couple of years for everyone. However, this was a period when the community spirit which makes Poynton, came to the fore and so many of us rallied round to help either as Street Champions, or at the Covid vaccination clinics assisting the hard working NHS staff carry out over 30,000 vaccinations and boosters. I was pleased to be able to honour their hard work by hosting a tea party for the volunteers and unveiling a plaque in the Civic Hall in recognition of the NHS and vaccination campaign.

Whilst many events I would normally attend were cancelled, I managed to attend as many as possible and after a two year hiatus was pleased to attend the Christmas Fest which was a great success. Another important event on the Poynton calendar each year is Civic Sunday. This service recognises residents who have made a significant and sustained contribution to Poynton and after a two year break I was pleased to host these awards last summer. Congratulations to all the award winners!



Following on from the business survey we carried out last year, a number of local businesses came forward to assist with setting up a business directory and website www.poynton4business.co.uk. The site lists a directory of local businesses, jobs, what's on and links to other useful sites and I have to give special thanks to the website designer and local resident Andy Rowarth for setting the website up.



As Mayor I get to pick a good cause or charity for the year which helps local residents. Poynton Pedals 4 All (<https://www.facebook.com/PoyntonPedalsforAll/>) raising money for disabled adaptive bikes for use on the Middlewood Way, became my chosen community group for this year. The group have been raising money for the last few years and have managed to purchase their first bike. Working with Cheshire East and with support from the Boars Head they are well on their way to purchasing a second bike. This is much needed funding for the ongoing costs such as insurance, electricity, training and maintenance. A wine tasting and quiz night have helped to raise funds for the group.



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Other activities I have participated in during the last year have included;

- A guest at one of our residents 100th Birthday celebrations
- Raising the flag and remembering our armed forces on armed forces day
- Opening the Vulcan Bar at the Centre in Poynton
- Attending civic events in Crewe, Knutsford and Macclesfield
- Following on from last years virtual ceremony welcoming Rev Matthew Squires-Hennessey as new vicar of St George's Church, I was able to attend the Induction and Installation of him at St George's Church
- Walking with the Three Dads into Poynton as part of their walk from the Lake District to Norfolk raising money for Papyrus www.3dadswalking.uk
- Welcoming the Mayor of Bollington and a group of lady cyclists including Poynton's Sue Reason who cycled to Poynton and back to raise awareness of the environment as part of COP26
- Attending as a guest of MP David Rutley the Diwali event at Macclesfield Town Hall
- Wreath laying on Remembrance Sunday
- Attending Flood Warden Training as one of the flood wardens as part of the newly formed Poynton Volunteer Flood Warden Scheme
- Sam and I supported Knutsford's Mayor, Councillor Stuart Gardener at their Charity Dinner to raise funds for his charities for the year
- Attending a vigil in Crewe with other Cheshire East Mayors and representatives from the Churches and Polish Embassy showing our solidarity with the citizens of Ukraine.

If you want to know what the Mayor and Deputy Mayor are working on, then I would encourage you to sign up to our Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/PoyntonMayor> and encourage you to like and follow the page.

Finally, the duties of Mayor can only be achieved through a team effort with the able support of my deputy, Councillor Hayley Whitaker, my fellow councillors and the Town Council staff and I'd like to thank them all for their hard work during this most difficult of years for everyone.

Cllr Lee Podmore



Your Councillors

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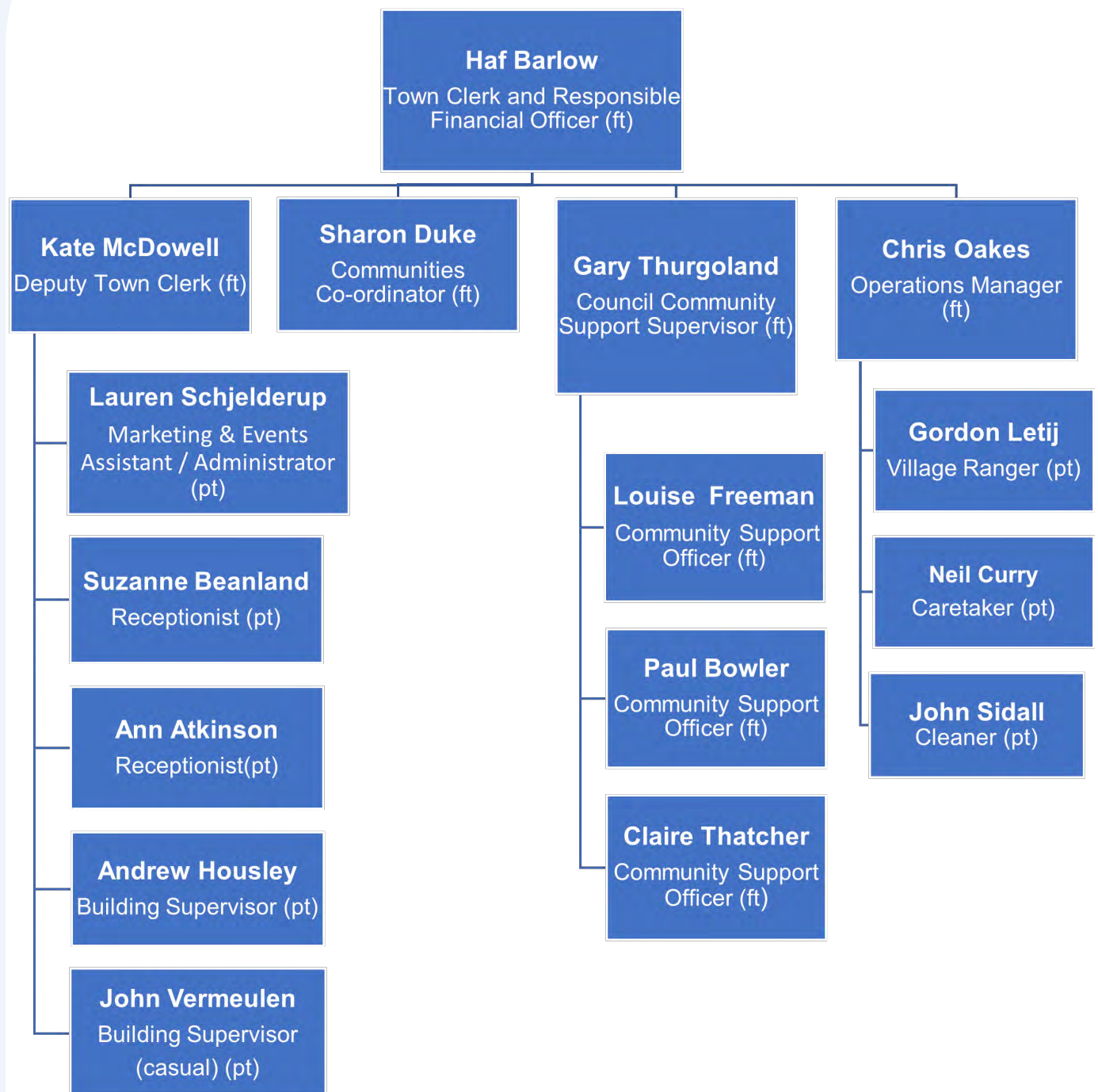


John Waterhouse



Kenneth Woolley





Community, Order and Public Safety (COPS)

Chair: Cllr Mrs Nicky Wylie Vice Chair: Cllr Jos Saunders

The Community, Order and Public Safety (COPS) committee considers the prevention, deterrence and detection of any form of crime and disorder and enhances the safety, health and wellbeing of all Poynton residents.

The committee met virtually at the beginning of the year, but legislation changed and we started to meet in person again in September.



The Council have continued to rise to the challenges that Covid brings us. The Civic Hall supported Middlewood Medical Practice to turn the Civic Hall into a vaccination hub for Poynton, Bollington and Disley. Our Community's Coordinator, Sharon Duke, coordinated volunteers to marshal the clinics. They stood outside in all weathers, mainly rain, wind and snow to ensure the clinics ran smoothly. Their help was invaluable.

Our Council Community Support Team (CCST) Gary Thurgoland (supervisor) and Paul and Louise continue to provide reassurance, support, and advice to Poynton residents. The Team is at the core of the Council's work. They have continued to visit the care homes and as Covid lifted they have visited Poynton schools. Councillor Saunders and Councillor Wylie have negotiated a pilot scheme with Cheshire East Council, allowing the Team to issue parking tickets on behalf of the council. We are already seeing a reduction in anti-social parking.



The committee would like to say a thank you to the Town Council Team who continue to rise to the ongoing challenges of Covid and provide the best service they can to our residents.

Cllr Mrs Nicky Wylie (Chairman)



Poynton Together

A number of community groups and services were invited to attend a 'Poynton Together' meeting at Poynton Civic Hall in July 2021, as our community started to recover from the pandemic.

Representatives identified key issues facing our community, the main issue being poor mental health. Issues also included social isolation, domestic abuse and financial issues.



Mental Health

Working with volunteers from Poynton Area Community Partnership (now North East Cheshire Community Partnership) Poynton Town Council helped to raise awareness about the mental health services that are available locally. A contact sheet was produced and over 400 copies were delivered in local newspapers. Poynton stepped up magnificently with ten bars, three businesses and four barbers signing up to support Mentell's campaigns to 'Turn Your Bar / Barber Blue' and displayed the contact sheet in their premises. A number of residents also received Mental Health First Aid training made available from the 12th Man Campaign.

Poynton Town Council is also working with Middlewood Partnership's Patient Participation Forum, Poynton High School and Waitrose to produce a 'health and well-being card' for students at Poynton High School around mental health.



Youth Engagement Initiatives

The Council Community Support Team have been running a series of football coaching sessions in collaboration with Stockport County Football Club Community Trust, Cheshire Police and Cheshire East Council to try and divert young people away from anti-social behaviour in our community. The sessions took place at Barnaby Park during the summer and the Sports Club in the winter. Sessions will recommence at Barnaby Park from the 6th April 2022. Following on from this successful project, the Team are introducing dance sessions for 9-15 year olds on Friday evenings from the 29th April 2022 at the Civic Hall.



Facilities, Infrastructure and Economic Development (FIED)

Chair: Cllr Kevin Booth Vice Chair: Cllr Simon Lees

The remit of the FIED Committee is to ensure the Town's infrastructure and services are safe, fit for purpose and maintained to a high standard. Poynton Town Council has no direct responsibility for the majority of the infrastructure in the Town, so we liaise with Cheshire East Council (CEC) on highway maintenance, street lighting, gullies and footpaths to try to keep infrastructure in good order and inconvenience for residents to a minimum.

The Town Council is directly responsible for the Civic Hall, Coppice Road Allotments, large sections of the Inclines and Brecon and Hockley Parks. The Committee is responsible for ensuring the enforcement of the byelaws that govern the use of Poynton's parks and open spaces, notice boards and supporting 'Poynton in Bloom' and the Heritage Garden.

Thankfully we are back to regular face to face meetings within the Council Chamber following the restrictions over the last few years.

Our new Operations Manager, Chis Oakes has embraced the position and is now proving to be a vital member of the team bringing his pragmatic influence to all areas of the role, getting the team to work effectively on the scheduled tasks and on top of the eternal 'To Do' list.

All members of the team are highly visible to both the users of the Civil Hall on general operations and maintenance and throughout the community enhancing the local environment in a variety of ways including general tidying, watering hanging baskets, emptying bins, cutting back hedges, clearing water courses, repairing street signs and keeping the eight village notice boards updated.

Cllr Kevin Booth (Chairman)



AEDs (defibrillators)

Following a generous donation, we have managed to install 2 additional 24-Hour AEDs (Hunts Vets & Wickfield Mews on Copperfield Road) to our existing 8 units. Units are checked on a weekly basis by the CCSO Team. Other locations now being considered include identifying areas away from our existing sites.



Poynton Round

Following the Accessibility Survey we undertook work on hedges and paths. The Town Council is currently working with Cheshire East footpaths officer and the footpath volunteer group to revitalise and improve the existing footpath and cycleways to create the 'Poynton Round', a circular route around the Town to encourage walking, running and cycling for all residents. The Town Council would like to thank the Footpaths Group for their continued work around the Town. The Group have recently improved the intersection between footpath 36 and 38, located at the top of Coppice Road Allotments. The Group are continually looking to improve additional areas in the Town.



Shared Space

The Town Council continue to lobby Cheshire East to repair uneven setts, kerbs, benches, signage, lighting and deal with localised flooding.



Civic Hall

Working to develop a plan to update and upgrade this valuable community resource for hirers, community groups and organisations.



Village Improvement

Installation and planting of six additional planters within the Shared Space area in readiness for the Jubilee celebrations of which bring colour and also protect pedestrians. Ongoing projects include – Brecon Park, Inclines scraping and Civic Centre flower beds.



Poynton Pollinator Town

Poynton Town Council launched it's 'Pollinator Project' in July 2021 which saw new, bee-friendly flowerbeds planted around the Civic Hall. The Town Council worked with Graham the Relief Road contractor, Poynton Baptist Church's Gardening Community Group and secured section 106 funding from Cheshire East Council to make this project a reality. A leaflet providing lots of useful information has been produced to encourage residents to become Poynton Pollinators.



Poynton Pick & Tidy

The volunteer group has gone from strength to strength and has 100 members. Poynton Town Council has recently hosted three well supported Pick and Tidy events.



Finance and General Purposes (F&GP)

Chair: Cllr Mike Beanland **Vice Chair:** Cllr Peter Oakes

The Finance and General Purposes Committee is appointed to make recommendations to the Town Council on all aspects of the Council's financial and budgetary management. The Town Council is funded from income received from hiring the Civic Hall and an annual precept as part of the Council Tax. This has again been a challenging year for the Town Council in providing support for the needs of the community as they arise. The relaxation of health restrictions allowed the Civic Hall to open to some hirers and the hall became a vaccination hub delivering over 30,000 vaccines to the community.

The Council has endeavoured to secure effective services for Poynton and further investment in the safety of Poynton and the Civic Hall has meant the precept for 2022/23 is £521,067 an increase over the current year of £29,272 or 5.95% and for a Band D home this equates to an increase of 4.08%. The council believe that this represents good value for money when measured against all the additional services in Poynton which are provided by the Town Council. Efficiencies and economies are searched for in all areas and the council constantly reviews its financial operations for the benefit of our community.

Cllr Mike Beanland

What does the Town Council Fund?

Assets maintained by the Town Council

- Hockley and Brecon Close play areas
- The majority of Lady's and Prince's Inclines (Woodside Lane to Towers Road)
- Coppice Road Allotments
- The Civic Hall

Services provided by the Town Council

- Four Community Support Officers
- Communities Co-ordinator
- Operations Manager and Village Ranger
- CCTV monitoring – 5 cameras in the centre of Poynton
- Graffiti removal

The Town Council provides funding for the following organisations and events

- Funding for the Citizens Advice service
- Christmas Fest
- Poynton in Bloom
- Heritage Garden
- Grants for organisations and events



Chair: Cllr Mrs Jo Sewart Vice Chair: Cllr Nicky Wylie

The Management and Establishment Committee is responsible for all matters relating to staff employed by the Town Council, including contracts and the regular monitoring of workload. It has responsibility for ensuring that all the Council's policies and procedures including the Standing Orders, Mayoral Protocol, Civic Award protocols and the organisation of Civic Sunday are reviewed and updated on a regular basis.

There have been staffing changes this year. The Council said goodbye to Building Supervisor Roy McGregor who has served Poynton Town Council and its residents for many years. We wish him well.

We welcome Claire Thatcher to the Community Support Team. The team is now four members thus enabling paired working and the introduction of shift work.

This Committee, on behalf of the Council, has the rewarding task of managing the annual Civic Award Scheme. Inviting and reviewing nominations is one of the highlights of the year. Any member of the public is welcome to nominate an individual or group that they feel deserves recognition for their contribution to our community. The nomination protocol is available to all interested residents. The Civic Awards are presented by the Mayor during the afternoon tea arranged in the Civic Hall after the Civic Service held at Poynton Parish Church of St George.

The Town Council plans to support and facilitate a number of events and activities for the upcoming Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations in June. Further details will be available in the PUN and on our website over the next two months.

Cllr Mrs Jo Sewart - Chairman

Communications

The Town Council have been increasingly active at communicating with our local community via Facebook.

Our longstanding newsletter (PUN) is published approximately every four weeks and reaches almost 600 subscribers. The newsletter is also on display in the Town's eight noticeboards and is available for collection from the Civic Hall. The Poynton Post often republishes many of the articles in the PUN. We encourage residents to subscribe to the PUN here https://www.poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk/Newsletter_PUN_35289.aspx

Our new, user friendly website is frequently updated with important information and local news and events.



Chair- Cllr Laurence Clarke Vice Chair- Cllr Hayley Whitaker

The Town Council's Planning and Environment Committee met fifteen times in the year to March 2022 - more than any other Town Council Committee. Over this period there were 190 planning applications from Poynton.

Town councillors on the Committee discuss every planning application from Poynton, and for each one makes recommendations to Cheshire East Council. Almost all applications are decided by Planning Officers at Cheshire East using "delegated powers" so the Town Council's Planning & Environment Committee is the only review of planning applications by elected representatives.

When Cheshire East refuse an application, the applicants can appeal to a Planning Inspector. Several such appeals have been rejected in recent months:

- The Coppice - demolition of kennels and construction of five dwellings
- 43 London Road North - demolish house and build eight flats and four houses
- 64 Dickens Lane - demolish house, build block of six flats and three houses

Cheshire East Local Plan

The Cheshire East Local Plan imposed a target of 690 new houses in Poynton. The Plan will be in force until 2030, and decides where new houses, offices, shops and roads will be built.

The Local Plan did not identify sites for all the 690 new houses. Cheshire East have drafted a Site Allocations and Development Policies Document (SADPD). During Autumn 2021, a Planning Inspector reviewed the draft SADPD. The Inspector agreed that no more land should be removed from the Green Belt and rezoned for housing or industrial sites. This was despite some local landowners and developers arguing at the enquiry that yet more building be allowed in the Green Belt around Poynton.

Poynton Relief Road

Work has continued on the Poynton Relief Road, between the SEMMMS Road junction to London Road (near Starbucks). This will join with the A555 to form the Poynton Bypass - first proposed in 1948. The Poynton Relief Road is scheduled to be completed by the end of 2022.



Greater Manchester Spatial Framework

Stockport Council have decided to withdraw from the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework and develop their own Local Plan. The GMSF had proposed extensive building bordering Cheshire, including several thousand houses in Woodford and High Lane – both within a mile of Poynton. The new Stockport Local Plan is still being drafted.

The Town Council will oppose major developments in the Green Belt, which would have a massive and negative impact on neighbouring areas.



Civic Amenity and Recycling Site

In December 2020, Cheshire East Council published plans to close the Poynton Civic Amenity and Recycling Site on Anson Road. They staged a “consultation” in which each option included closing the Poynton site. The Town Council publicised the consultation, and a majority of those responding rejected all of Cheshire East’s options and supported the “status quo” including keeping the Poynton site open.

Cheshire East have now decided to seek quotes from private companies to operate their Civic Amenity sites. We remain concerned that this will lead to yet another attempt to close the Poynton site.



Greater Manchester Clean Air Zone

The Clean Air Zone (CAZ) was proposed by Mr Andy Burnham, the Mayor of Greater Manchester. Poynton Town Council responded to the original consultation in November 2020, and urged that Greater Manchester exclude all of Woodford south of the A555 from the Clean Air Zone. More generally, we were concerned that through traffic seeking to avoid the charge would divert through Poynton and also Adlington, Disley and Handforth. Cheshire East submitted a similar response.

The Town Council are also concerned about the negative impact on local businesses who have commercial vehicles which operate across the border of the zone so will attract a charge on their daily commute.

Unfortunately, as the Clean Air Zone is a Greater Manchester Council initiative, we have no direct influence on the decisions that have been made but will continue to raise our concerns when the opportunity arises.

There has been much opposition to the CAZ from across Greater Manchester and neighbouring areas (such as Poynton), and Mr Burnham has now agreed the Clean Air Zone as originally planned will not start from May 2022 and work is currently ongoing to deliver a new Plan by July 2022. We hope this will address the concerns of many Poynton residents about the original proposals.

Issues at Cheshire East’s Planning Department

The Planning Department at Cheshire East have complained of staffing shortages, leading to serious delays in processing planning applications. There is a legal deadline within which plans should be approved and rejected, and if this is not met then developers can appeal to a Planning Inspector on grounds on “non-determination.” The Town Council has no direct input into Cheshire East’s operations, but we have urged them to address these issues. These delays are causing problems and stress for residents, developers and builders.

Cllr Laurence Clarke



Following the serious flooding in 2016 and 2019, the Town Council has continued to urge Cheshire East to improve the clearing of streams and gullies. We have also liaised with the Environment Agency, United Utilities and the National Trust (many of the streams in Poynton rise in Lyme Park).

During 2021, Cheshire East undertook the following works:

Cleared the culvert which takes the stream under Park Lane (near Willow Close), removing silt, debris and larger items.

Repaired the manhole which accesses this culvert (near School Lane).

Restored the “overflow” culvert which runs from Parklands Way to Poynton Pool. This will reduce water flowing into the culvert under the Mayfair Close / Covell Road / Haseley Close area.

Poynton Town Council has set up a flood warden scheme across the village, with PTC staff, councillors and local volunteers. Flood Wardens are the community’s eyes and ears on the ground, who can report problems, support residents with advice and information and raise awareness about flooding in general.



The Environment Agency have undertaken the following flood control works:

Built a bund upstream of Waterloo Road to slow the flow of water, which will be contained at this point and hold some of the runoff from upstream.

In Higher Poynton, three clay dams have been installed.

East of the Macclesfield Canal, work has taken place at two locations, including creating storage ponds, woody debris dams and raised hedgerows to intercept and temporarily store flood flows.

Images of cleanse and CCTV at Woodside (March 2021)



Cllr Laurence Clarke



Poynton Heritage Garden



The Heritage Garden is a local highlight for some peace and relaxation and has provided a colourful display all year.

In addition to continuing to refresh and maintain the Heritage Garden site outside the Civic Hall and Library throughout the Covid pandemic, the Heritage Garden Working Group also launched a fresh initiative that has led to some 70 fruit trees being planted in a number of 'mini' community orchards across Poynton. Custodians have been identified for each site and, when the trees bear fruit, all will be welcome to pick and enjoy it. Included in the sites is Poynton Park, where the Countryside Ranger has kindly agreed that the Heritage Garden team 'adopt' an existing glade of eight fruit trees.

The team is also in discussion with the Town Council with regard to taking responsibility for the long flower bed in front of the Civic Hall, previously looked after by Cheshire East Council. Plans are afoot for this bed to include a floral tribute to commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in June.

The Heritage Garden team is always looking to recruit enthusiastic volunteers to help maintain the various flower beds and orchards for which it is responsible. For further information please contact Diane Penny - jammydidi@aol.com.

Parish Plan Group

This group is available to help with administration of community projects that are for the benefit of Poynton Community.

It has been in existence for over twelve years and in that time has assisted in the creation of leisure, sport and arts projects staged in the village.

The group can assist with administration of projects that require the local knowledge and contacts of its members. Along with most community areas its activities have been curtailed by Covid but the group have continued its activities of the Christmas Fest and The Heritage Garden.

The Fest was run again adhering to the health guidelines in operation at the time and it was good to see the support from residents looking to re-establish a village tradition grown from this group's initiative.

The high winds curtailed the firework display but many Park Lane establishments opened their doors and forecourts and were used by local charities to gain some well needed financial and moral support from the people of Poynton.

If you have any ideas that can help build the successful community of Poynton then please get in touch via the Civic Hall.

Everyone please stay safe and secure in Poynton.



We are a group of volunteers who plant and maintain a number of containers which are mostly to be found around the centre of Poynton, with the aim of providing floral colour to brighten up the streets. The Group is supported by the Town Council who fund the purchase of the plants.

Prior to the covid outbreak the committee met to discuss planning and progress and we have another group of volunteers who also help the committee with the planting and maintenance. On the whole the planting is the easy part, it is the maintenance that takes up the time especially in summertime when the watering can be time consuming depending on the weather. We are hoping to commence committee meetings again this year in 2022.



The bedding plants are changed twice a year in spring and autumn and in between the main tasks are to keep the containers weeded, plants deadheaded, trimmed and watered. From time to time, in the bigger containers, the structural planting has to be renewed but anything that has just grown too big is planted elsewhere to continue growing. Despite the lockdowns we did manage to keep the displays going throughout the pandemic and residents were very complimentary about the efforts achieved.

The group would be happy to hear from anyone, even if you don't already know a lot about gardening, who would like to volunteer and help out with planting and/or watering. Please contact Poyntoninbloom@talktalk.net



As the year of lockdowns and furloughs was left behind, the opportunity for fresh air and exercise has been appreciated. Allotment holders got back to a new normal to successfully work their plots, despite many being back in work.

The allotments prove so popular with Poynton residents, that there is a sizable waiting list, which led to the recent Poynton Town Council (PTC) appeal for additional land for allotments.

In support of the PTC's 'Bee a Poynton Pollinator' project, allotment holders are establishing a wildflower bed and being encouraged to plant wildflowers across the allotments. Hopefully helping bees, will feed back to better crops. A herbicide free trial is underway on part of the site.

As the days have lengthened, it's good to see the effort build up to prepare the ground for the new year's plants, as ever our results depend on a good Goldilocks blend of sun and rain- Just right!!!!

Graham Sutherland – Chair of Poynton Allotments



Twinning Association Poynton (TAP)

Owing to the Covid Pandemic the Twinning Association, like many other groups, has had fewer opportunities to plan a programme of events. The first to be cancelled was the visit of three students from Poynton High School to Haybes which was a big disappointment especially as they were on the verge of departure. Conversations are now underway to restart contact with PHS and look at possibilities across the curriculum.

Throughout the lockdowns all Committee meetings were on Zoom and public events were impossible. As restrictions eased we were able to hold our Annual General Meeting at Middlewood House and combine it with a very successful Party in the Garden (Prosecco by the Pond). We had a French coffee morning, courtesy of the Fig and Fennel, and to celebrate Epiphany (an important date in France) we enjoyed an evening dinner at Il Borgo Antico. Throughout the year we have maintained monthly Zoom conversations between TAP members here and local members in Haybes.

We have just held our latest AGM at the Legion and combined with it a quiz which attracted about 36 people, some of them members and some just keen quizzers.

We now hope that our contacts will be restarted in person as soon as possible and that a visit to Haybes planned for this Spring will be able to take place.





Poynton-with-Worth Almshouse Charity

There are six houses available for occupation by people over the age of 65 who are resident in Poynton and have limited means.

The charity is administered by four trustees on an ongoing basis. They are all maintained to a high standard and all the houses were fully occupied throughout the year.

The Trust remains financially sound.

The trustees do not maintain a waiting list for vacancies but, when one arises, the vacancy will be advertised throughout the village including on the Town Council's website and on its notice boards.

Cllr Charles Gorst - Trustee and Treasurer

Charities of Viscountess Warren Bulkeley

This is Poynton's oldest charity, founded in 1826 by Lady Warren Bulkeley, the daughter of Sir George Warren of Poynton. The Warren Bulkeleys, through marriage, later became the Vernons, all of whom made a major contribution to the people of Poynton.

The trust is managed by three trustees and has a small regular income from investments and occasional donations.

Small one-off funding is available to support people who are sick, poor or needy or require assistance for educational purposes.

No grants were applied for during the past year.

Cllr Charles Gorst - Trustee and Treasurer



Key Achievements in 2021-2022



The 391/392 Bus needs your help!

The Town is currently served by the 391 and 392 bus service between Stockport and Macclesfield. It provides an important lifeline to residents who do not have cars giving access to the Town Centre it's shops and facilities.

The Town Council is concerned that low usage of the service could lead to Cheshire East reducing or even withdrawing the bus service in the future and we want to make as much use of the service as possible.

USE IT OR LOSE IT!

- Early bus for Poynton commuters reinstated
- Flood PUN published. A useful newsletter providing information about flood and weather warnings, how to report a flood and what action to take to keep you and your family safe in the event of a flood
- Volunteer Flood Warden Scheme launched
- Supporting the vaccination hub with volunteers, located at the Civic Hall
- Council Community Support Team parking enforcement began
- Replanting of the Civic Hall garden
- Launch of the 'Bee a Poynton Pollinator' project
- Planting of new community Orchard at Brecon Park
- New user friendly website
- Working alongside Cheshire East Council on campaigns to support Poynton's high street
- Poynton has been successful in retaining its 'Working to become a Dementia Friendly Community' status



Key Priorities for Poynton 2021-2023

High

Flooding Improve Poynton's resilience to flooding Ensure that the Town Council is prepared to act quickly and resourcefully in the event of a flood	Civic Hall Repairs Refurbish the Civic Hall premises for the benefit of the community Reduce the Town Council's carbon footprint	Communication To improve communication between the Town Council and residents
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Medium

Civic Pride To encourage Civic Pride in the village by engaging with the local community	Accessibility To improve accessibility for all Poynton residents	Youth Engagement To engage with young people in Poynton to encourage greater integration into their community	Business support To boost the local economy and support local businesses
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Low

Partner Engagement Improve the engagement between Poynton Town Council's two main partners, Cheshire East Council and Cheshire Police	Destination Place Work towards making Poynton a destination place by improving the quality of life for residents and attracting people from surrounding area
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