



Poynton Update and News, 26th May 2022

Mayor and Deputy Mayor 2022/2023

At the Annual Town Council meeting on 23rd May 2022, councillors elected Cllr Hayley Whitaker to the role of Poynton Town Mayor with Cllr Patrick Bailey as Deputy Mayor.

We look forward to telling you more about them soon. More details to follow on the [Town Council's website](#) soon.



Who are your community champions?

Nominations are invited for this year's Civic Service Awards. Just a handful of these are given each year to individuals or groups who have made a "sustained or significant contribution" to our community. There are also separate awards for Youth Civic Service in recognition of having "volunteered or shown leadership, initiative, enthusiasm and commitment to a worthwhile cause, of benefit to their peer group and/or the wider community".

The awards are given by the Mayor at the Civic Sunday reception on **10th July 2022**. If you know of any deserving candidates for these awards please collect a nomination form from the Civic Hall or print a copy from the Poynton Town Council [website](#).

Alternatively you can send a brief citation including the nominated person(s)/group contact details, in confidence to the Town Clerk, either by e-mail to: haf.barlow@poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk or by post to the Town Clerk, Poynton Town Council, Civic Hall, off Park Lane, Poynton SK12 1RB.

The deadline for nominations is 4pm on **Wednesday 22nd June 2022**.



Who are YOUR community champions?



Civic Hall Refurbishment Project — Summer 2022

The Civic Hall was built in the late 1960's and officially opened in 1971. Phase 1 of the refurbishment works were carried out when the library and civic hall merged in 2014-2015, but not all parts of the building were refurbished. Phase 2 is now due.

Surveys have confirmed that some systems have not been updated for more than 50 years and are in need of urgent replacement.

There are issues with: Asbestos - Electrics and electricity supply - Gas installation - Heating & hot water - Health & safety (including fire alarm, emergency lighting) - the roof - drains.

For further information and frequently asked questions, take a look [here](#).

A short presentation is also available [here](#).

Paper copies are available at the Civic Hall reception.



Car parking survey

Residents and businesses may have noticed that Britannia Parking on behalf of Waitrose is currently issuing warning notices in the short stay section of the Civic Centre car park, where people are parking for longer than the 2 hours stated. The car park at the Civic Centre is owned by Cheshire East Council but the short stay section is leased to Waitrose.

The Town Council is aware that there is considerable anxiety regarding possible enforcement of the short stay car park and we are currently in the process of assessing how residents and businesses have been impacted. If you are a Poynton business owner or a Poynton resident you can complete the survey here. https://www.poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk/Parking_42650.aspx

Survey closes Wednesday 8th June 2022

Relief Road

May 2022 - Read the latest [Notification Letter](#) from Graham detailing Chester Road piling operations. <https://www.graham.co.uk/poynton-relief-road>

Councillor Surgery, Saturday 11th June 2022

Your chance to meet one of your local Cheshire East and Poynton Town Councillor and Community Support Officer to raise any issues about Poynton. Drop-in at Poynton Civic Hall from 10am to 11am or make an appointment, 11am, 11.20am or 11.40am on 01625 872238.

New wellbeing card for young people — Keep it safe, just in case!

A successful collaboration supporting young people's mental health.

A pocket-sized 'wellbeing card' for young people in Poynton was launched as part of Mental Health Awareness week, 9-15 May 2022. Created from an idea from members of Poynton High School's Student Leadership Team, the card details services and useful contacts available for young people, to support their mental health and wellbeing. Every student at Poynton High School will be offered a card to keep safe, just in case.

It's been a difficult time for everyone over the last couple of years, no less so than for our young people. The card has been designed by Poynton Town Council, and developed by the Middlewood Partnership, through members of its Poynton-based Patient Participation Forum groups. The Student Leadership Team at Poynton High School had highlighted the need for more information for young people about how and where to seek help and support.

'This is a really positive example of what can be achieved through partnership between our school and the wider community. I am sure it will be of real benefit to young people in Poynton.'

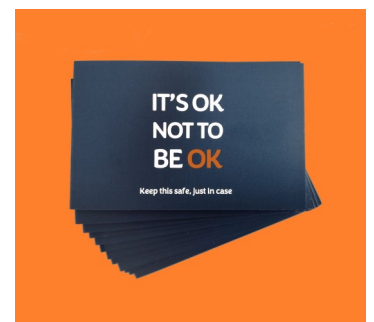
Mr Dean, Headteacher.

Middlewood Partnership have also consulted with the students to develop easily-navigated, specific webpages on their website aimed at meeting the needs of young people. The pages have lots of useful information about self-help including health for teens, mental health, alcohol and drug misuse, smoking, relationships, sexual health and lots more. See the link below.

<https://middlewoodpartnership.co.uk/young-peoples-health.../>

If you do not attend Poynton High School, and would like a card, pop into the Civic Hall and pick one up.

Thank you to Waitrose and the Timpson Foundation for funding the printing of the cards.





Poynton High School pupils are busy bees

Poynton's Bee a Poynton Pollinator project continues to be a hive of activity.

Poynton Town Council invited the children from Year 7, 8 & 9 at Poynton High School to design and create a poster to encourage local residents to support the Pollinator Project.

Local artist and sculptor Paul Tavernor, very kindly donated a special limited edition framed 'Bee Kind' print from the Inktails Mouse series as first prize.

There were over 150 fantastic entries and it was difficult for the judges to choose a winner. After much deliberation Lilla was named the overall winner with Austin & Eda were named as very close runner ups.

Prizes were presented by Poynton's Mayor Councillor Lee Podmore at the Eco Fair held at the Civic Hall this weekend.

Thank you to all who entered the competition and who attended the fair. If you would like to find out more about the Pollinator project, click on this link

https://www.poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk/Bee_a_Poynton...

or pick up a leaflet from the Civic Hall reception.

If you want to see more of Paul's work please click here for further information

<https://paultavernor.com/>



2nd Poynton Cubs and 7th Poynton Brownies are wellbeing champions

They are now part of Poynton's growing team of Wellbeing Champions and Poynton Pollinators.

Armed with enthusiasm and lots of energy to help protect the health and wellbeing of Poynton's residents and our local populations of pollinating insects.

Leaving lawns long and planting pollen-rich plants will be the messages the Cubs and Brownies will spread to others, and their help with the Five Ways to Wellbeing will help to keep us all on track!

The sunflower seeds sown in peat-free compost and in bio-degradable pots will not only provide food for bees and other pollinators, but birds at the end of the season – there's a good chance of a tallest sunflower competition too!

Sharon, the Town Council's Communities Co-ordinator was very pleased to have such an enthusiastic bunch on board to help with Poynton Town Council's community projects.

Pick up a Poynton Pollinator Leaflet from the Civic Hall which contains lots of information about how you can help bees! Bee a Poynton Pollinator!



Living well with dementia — New support resource available

For Dementia Action Week (16th -22nd May), Poynton Town Council, supported by Poynton Dementia Steering Group were pleased to launch a guide to support people living with dementia and their carers.

The guide contains useful information about services, support and groups which are available locally along with their contact details. The guide can be found on the Poynton Town Council and Middlewood Partnership website

<https://middlewoodpartnership.co.uk/dementia/>

If you would like a paper copy, please contact Sharon.duke@poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk

Download your copy here <https://bit.ly/3wctu2Q>



Time to Talk sessions – Next Poynton session, Weds 29th June, 1-2.30pm

Do you have memory problems or dementia or are a carer for someone with memory problems or dementia, and would like some advice or support from professionals?

A new programme of Time to Talk sessions are being launched for Bollington, Disley and Poynton residents. The sessions are available at different venues in these areas and offer expert support, advice and guidance for people living with memory problems or dementia and their carers.

For dates and times of the sessions, see the dates on the link below. All are free of charge, no need to book, just call in.

<https://bit.ly/39VDq9y>

Time to talk

Are you living with memory problems or dementia?

Are you a carer for someone with memory problems or dementia?

Would you like some advice or support?

Call in at one of the drop-in sessions at a venue in Bollington, Disley or Poynton for friendly, professional advice from your local health team.

Find out about dementia services, finances, therapies, diet and social groups, etc.

The graphic features a yellow background with a sunburst effect. It includes three speech bubbles with questions and a central image of two women talking. Below the image, there is text about drop-in sessions and a list of topics covered.

£428 raised for Dementia UK

A big THANK YOU to everyone who attended the "Time For a Cuppa" Event held at Holland Court recently and bought cakes from the stall at the Civic Hall.

Special thanks to the Manager, Janine and all the residents, family and friends who supported this event and to all the local businesses who very kindly donated cakes and raffle prizes they include:

Poynton Tea Room, Fig & Fennel, The Butcher's Block - Poynton's Artisan Butchers, Mates DIY, Age UK Poynton shop Headway, Bramhall Bakery, Morrisons Poynton Community, Waitrose & Partners, Aldi, The Coop, Adlington Manor care home, Poynton Men In Sheds and not forgetting all the wonderful home bakers and members of the public who donated prizes, all contributions were greatly appreciated.



We were able to raise a wonderful £428.00 for Dementia UK! THANK YOU
Council Community Support Team.

Council launches community equipment amnesty

Cheshire East Council is calling on residents across the borough to return loaned equipment like walking frames, crutches, beds, mattresses and hoists when no longer needed.

The equipment is provided usually following a fall, hospital discharge or other situation, and could be reused by another person in the community in need of support.

Reuse of equipment is more environmentally friendly and helps resources to be invested in other health and social care services.

Councillor Jill Rhodes, Cheshire East Council adults and health committee chair, said: "Some of this equipment may only be used when a person is recovering from illness or injury and can end up stored around the home, surplus to requirements.

"Putting back into circulation items that are no longer needed, means we can continue to provide the vital equipment that people need in the timescales required."

Anyone with equipment which is no longer needed is invited to call 01606 655560 or email: CES@rosscare.co.uk to arrange collection. Collections can also be requested using this link <https://rosscare.co.uk/pages/cheshire-integrated-community-equipment-service>.

The equipment will then be picked up by a Ross Care engineer within five working days, free of charge. Alternatively, it can be dropped off by prior arrangement at:

Unit 7 Artis Park, Winsford Industrial Estate, Winsford, CW7 3QE



Join our team — Employment opportunity

Closing Date 17th June

Poynton Town Council has an immediate vacancy for a building supervisor at the Civic Hall in Poynton to work evenings and Saturdays. NJC Spinal point 1-2 (£9.50 - £9.60) per hour. The post requires weekend working and weekday late afternoon/evening work, on a week on week off basis. Hours will vary each week depending on the number of bookings at the Civic Hall.



https://www.poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk/Current_Vacancies_35268.aspx

Please call into reception at the Civic Hall for more information and an application pack or email kate.mcdowell@poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk for further information.

Twinning Association Poynton

Bastille Day Celebration

In recognition of Poynton's twinning with the town of Haybes in the French Ardennes, the Twinning Association of Poynton (TAP) is proud to announce a local celebration of Bastille Day (or 'la Fete Nationale Francaise' as it's better known in France). Lee and his team at the Fig and Fennel cafe on School Lane have kindly agreed to host the celebration, and will serve both savoury and sweet crepes during the day. This will take place on Bastille day itself - **Thursday 14th July**. Representatives from TAP will be on hand to welcome customers, and to encourage interest in TAP membership.

Trip to Haybes

A group of members from the Twinning Association of Poynton welcomed the opportunity to catch up with friends from our twinned town of Haybes in the French Ardennes when they paid a self-funded visit to the town at the end of April. Such visits were of course not possible during the Covid travel restrictions, so there was much to discuss. Priorities for both communities were to reinstate a visit to Haybes by students from Poynton High School, future exchange visits, and to discuss an invitation to the Mayor of Haybes to attend the celebrations to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

June 2022

Sun 5 th	1-4pm	Park Lane Jubilee Party. Park Lane Closed to vehicles 12-5pm. See above
Mon 6 th	8pm	Planning & Environment Committee Meeting
Sat 11 th	10 - 11.40am	Councillor Surgery, appointments call 01625 872238
Mon 13 th	8pm	Management & Establishment Committee Meeting
Mon 20 th	8pm	Facilities, Infrastructure and Economic Development Committee Meeting
Mon 27 th	8pm	Planning & Environment Committee Meeting

Haf Barlow, Town Clerk

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