

MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY ORDER & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT 8.00PM ON MONDAY 16th January 2023 AT THE CIVIC HALL, POYNTON.

PRESENT

Chair: Cllr Mrs J Saunders

Cllrs: John Waterhouse, M Blackie, P Bailey, T Swatridge, Ms H Whittaker, D Belcher, Lee Podmore

Also in attendance: Will McKellar (Citizen's Advice),

Officers in attendance: K McDowell (Deputy Town Clerk),

38. Anyone attending or present at the Committee meeting declares that they are making, or intend to make, an audio recording and/or film the meeting

The Chair confirmed that the meeting is recorded for the purposes of minute taking and the recording is deleted when the draft minutes are produced.

There were no other declarations of a recording of the meeting.

39. Questions from members of the public

There were members of the public present regarding agenda item 14. Grant application from St Paul's Primary School

40. Apologies for absence

Cllrs Mrs N Wylie, K Woolley, Sgt H Percival, Gary Thurgoland (CCSO Supervisor)

41. Declarations of disclosable pecuniary or other interests

There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary or other interests.

42. To approve as an accurate record of the minutes of the previous meeting of the Community, Order & Public Safety meeting held on the 31st October 2022

RESOLVED: That the record of the minutes of the previous meeting of the Community, Order & Public Safety (COPS) Committee meeting held on the 31st October 2022 were approved as a correct record (2ABS)

The Chair proposed that agenda item 14 followed by agenda item 13 are moved up the agenda

RESOLVED: That agenda item 14 followed by agenda item 13 are moved up the agenda (NC)

43. To receive and consider the grant application for £1000.00 from St Paul's Primary School PTA

Two representatives from the staff and PTA were in attendance, from St Paul's Primary School. They discussed their application and read out a letter from the Children asking for the Council's support.

RESOLVED: That the grant application for £1000.00 from St Pauls Primary School PTA towards replacing the play equipment at the school is approved and awarded (NC)

44. To receive and consider the grant application for up to £2,350.00 from 1st Poynton (St George's) Scout Group

There were no representatives from the Scout Group in attendance to discuss their application which was deemed very high.. The Committee had a number of questions around what other fundraising had been used and they also felt the amount of the grant request was high in relation to the total amount of grant funding available to the Committee to award..

RESOLVED: That the Deputy Clerk writes to 1st Poynton Scout Group explaining that the Town Council has a limited annual budget for Community Grants and as we are coming to the end of the financial year , there are limited funds left. The Committee would ask that they resubmit their application at the end of March 2023 so it can be considered in the next budget year. They should also be aware that most applications received which are awarded are up to a maximum of £1,000 so the Committee can support a number of Community Groups each year. (NC)

45. Receive and consider the action log for 2022-2023 for the COPS committee.

The Deputy Clerk gave an update on 2 outstanding actions. Stuart Hobson was asked to attend this meeting to add examples to his CCTV report. Stuart was unable to attend but informed the Town Council that there are no specific examples available and only data was collected. The Citizens Advice funding application has since been completed and is now in next year's budget.

RESOLVED: That the action log for 2022-2023 for the COPS committee is received (NC)

46. To receive a verbal update from the Macclesfield North and Poynton Beat Management Police Team.

Sergeant Percival was unable to attend the meeting and sent a report to be handed out at the meeting covering 29th October 22 – 15th January 2023. Highlights included:

ASB incidents: 14 (Previous 76) – repeat location Civic Hall.
Burglary : 10 (Previous 15) – 2 involved cars plus 1 attempt
Commercial Burglary: 0 (Previous 4) – an arrest made and charged for 7 Poynton burglaries
Theft of motor vehicles 1 (Previous 4) – Theft of Van Spinners lane & Roller Dickens Lane
Theft from motor vehicle 1 (Previous 2) – Tools taken

Theft other 13 (Previous 10) – Warrington male arrested for theft of Church charity box. Charged with number of offences across Cheshire.

3 are linked with theft of cooking oil from Farmers Arms and Panache. Marker placed on offending vehicle.

Drugs 5 (Previous 2) – Female arrested for Class A

RESOLVED: That the verbal report from the Macclesfield North and Poynton Beat Management Police Team is received (NC)

47. To receive and consider the CCTV incident report from Cheshire East.

The members considered the report and noted that if no further info or examples could be provided it probably was not a useful report. The CCSO Supervisor was asked to continue to ask Mr Hobson to attend the next Committee meeting to discuss the viability of the report.

RESOLVED: That the report is received and that the CCSO Supervisor was asked to continue to ask Mr Hobson to attend one Committee meeting this year. (NC)

48. To receive and consider the email from the Public Space CCTV & Emergency Control Centre Manager regarding the overhaul of the transmission of CCTV services within the borough

The members noted the report and the CCSO Supervisor/Deputy Clerk confirmed that Poynton had not yet been contacted regarding the roll out/overhaul.

RESOLVED: That the email from The Public space CCTV & Emergency Control Centre Manager is noted and received (NC)

49. To receive and consider the report from Citizens Advice North Cheshire.

Will McKellar from Citizens Advice North Cheshire provided an overview of his report. There has been an increase in clients with problems or with more than one problem contacting the service. These include clients with debt problems and clients who need help to make a claim for disability benefits that they don't qualify for.

Citizens Advice are working with Cheshire East Council and the Home Energy Support Fund to help people in crisis be confident about heating their homes. Citizens Advice have received 47 applications with 17 pending.

RESOLVED: That the report from Citizen's Advice North Cheshire is noted & received (NC)

50. To receive and consider the report for November 2022 to mid-January 2023 from the Town Councils Community Support Team Supervisor Gary Thurgoland

Members discussed the report and noted the positive impact of the teams work on parking enforcement as a highlight.

RESOLVED: That the report for November 2022 to mid – January 2023 from the Town Council's Community Support Team Supervisor is received (NC)

51. To receive and consider the report for Nov 2022 to mid- January 2023 from the Town Council's Communities Co-ordinator, Sharon Duke and to agree the recommendations contained therein.

The Communities Co-Ordinator gave an update regarding Community support for hospitals and the request made to the Town Council for their support. However, Cheshire East is working with Macclesfield Hospital who are currently experiencing high demand in A&E and on their wards. They are looking to map local resources such as groups and organisations where they may be able to develop new services to create additional capacity. More information has been requested. The Chair suggested it may not be in the Town Councils remit. The Communities Co-Ordinator listed the organisations and groups that the Town Council already support.

RESOLVED: That the report for November 2022 to mid- January 2023 from the Town Council's Communities Coordinator is received (NC)

52. To receive, consider and agree a response to the Cheshire East Health & Wellbeing Consultation 2023-2028

It was agreed that the response should come from the Town Council and not individual members. The Chair suggested that she would look at it and prepare a report and then the Deputy Clerk would circulate to all members for comments under SO51.

RESOLVED: That the Chair will compile a report with a recommended response to the Cheshire East Health & Wellbeing Consultation, which will be sent to members under SO51 for their comments (NC)

53. To receive, consider and agree a response to the Police & Crime Commissioner's Budget 2023/24 survey

Members discussed the budget survey and had no questions to raise.

RESOLVED: That the Police & Crime Commissioner's Budget 2023/24 survey is received (NC)

54. To consider and agree any communication messages.

- Citizen's advice - Home Energy Support Fund
- Warm Spaces
- Christmas Fest and its success

Meeting end time: 9.30pm

Chair.....

Dated.....