

HAZEL GROVE WARD COMMITTEE

Meeting: 17 March 2009
At: 6.30 pm

PRESENT

Councillor Kevin Hogg (Chair) in the chair; Councillors Christine Corris and Stuart Corris.

1. MINUTES

The minutes (copies of which had been circulated) of the meetings held on 4 November 2008 and 21 January 2009 were approved as a correct record.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations were made.

3. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

(i) Neighbourhood Policing

Inspector Mark Galichan , Greater Manchester Police and Elaine De Fries, Community Safety Unit attended the meeting and answered questions from Councillors and members of the public in relation to Neighbourhood Policing issues within the Hazel Grove Ward Committee area. A number of issues were discussed including:-

- Increases in the number of burglaries of dwellings in the Borough and the consequences of early release schemes
- A fall in number of vehicle crimes
- The need for members of the public to be more vigilant in locking their windows and doors
- A fall in number of street robberies
- The problem of vandalism on Hazelwood Road following the reopening of the Bulls Head Public House

RESOLVED – That Inspector Mark Galichan and Elaine De Fries be thanked for their attendance and presentation.

(ii) Public Question Time

A number of questions were raised and answered at the meeting relating to:-

- Refuse and recycling - litter on Bosden Hall Road
- The rules for putting litter and recycling bins out ready for collection
- Street Cleansing
- The cutting of grass verges
- The maintenance of trees on Rostrevor Road
- Traffic calming measure on Douglas Road

RESOLVED - That the Head of Environmental Services be invited to attend the next

meeting to make a presentation in respect to litter collection and recycling in the borough and to answer questions from members of the public.

(iii) Petitions

No petitions were submitted.

(iv) Area Flexibility Funding

There were no applications to consider.

4. TAUNTON CLOSE, HAZEL GROVE

A representative of the Head of Area Governance reported that this item had been placed on the agenda at the request of Councillor Stuart Corris.

Councillor Corris explained that a solar powered light had previously been installed on the passageway at Taunton Close but due to its position it was extremely difficult to carry out any maintenance to it. More recently two solar powered lights have been installed at the entrance to Torkington Park. He requested that the Service Director (Transportation & Planning) investigate the possibility of replacing the light at Taunton Close.

RESOLVED –That the Service Director (Transportation & Planning) be requested to investigate the possible replacement of the solar powered light on Taunton Close, Hazel Grove.

5. TRAIN SERVICES FROM HAZEL GROVE TRAIN STATION

A representative of the Head of Area Governance reported that this item had been placed on the agenda at the request of Councillor Stuart Corris.

Councillor Corris explained that following the introduction of a new timetable in December 2008 a number of issues had been raised concerning the timetabling and slight adjustments have now been proposed. He encouraged members of the public to write to the Greater Manchester Integrated Transport Authority to raise any concerns they may have with the current provision or to write to him and he would pass on comments on their behalf. Any changes to the timetable will be fixed in the upcoming months ready for implementation in December 2009.

RESOLVED - That the report be noted.

6. STREET LIGHTING -A6

A representative of the Head of Area Governance reported that this item had been placed on the agenda at the request of Councillor Christine Corris.

Councillor Corris requested that the Service Director (Transportation & Planning) attend the next meeting of the Ward Committee to report on lighting provision in the Hazel Grove District Centre, explaining how it compares to the other district centres in the borough and commenting on how the lighting provision compares with national standards.

RESOLVED - That the Service Director (Transportation & Planning) be requested to attend the next meeting of the Ward Committee to report on lighting provision in the Hazel Grove District Centre, explaining how it compares to the other district centres in the borough and commenting on how the lighting provision compares with national standards.

7. BRAMHALL MOOR LANE PARKING RESTRICTIONS

A representative of the Head of Area Governance reported that this item had been placed on the agenda at the request of Councillor Christine Corris.

Councillor Corris requested that the Service Director (Transportation & Planning) investigate the possible introduction of daytime parking restrictions Monday - Friday 8am-6pm on Bramhall Moor Lane and report back to the next Ward Committee.

RESOLVED - That the Service Director (Transportation & Planning) be requested to investigate the possible introduction of daytime parking restrictions Monday - Friday 8am-6pm on Bramhall Moor Lane and report back to the next Ward Committee.

8. PUBLIC ART IN HAZEL GROVE UPDATE

A representative of the Head of Area Governance reported that a planning application had been submitted for public art on the strip of land to the side and rear of the bus stop outside Sainsbury's (Plan no. 041403) At the time of publication this application had not been called up to Stepping Hill Area Committee and the deadline for a decision is 4 April 2009.

RESOLVED - That the report be noted.

9. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

RESOLVED – That the dates of future meetings of the Ward Committee be approved as follows:-

Tuesday, 5 May 2009
Tuesday, 30 June 2009
Monday, 21 September 2009
Tuesday, 15 December 2009
Tuesday, 9 February 2010
Monday, 12 April 2010

The meeting closed at 8.16 pm