

## **HAZEL GROVE WARD COMMITTEE**

Meeting: 15 December 2009  
At: 6.30 pm

### **PRESENT**

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

### **1. MINUTES**

The Minutes (copies of which had been circulated) of the meeting held on 22 September 2009 were approved as a correct record.

### **2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations were made.

### **3. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

#### **(i) Neighbourhood Policing**

Inspector Brendan O'Brien (Greater Manchester Police) 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:-

- The commitment to reducing volume crime such as burglary and vehicle theft
- A recent well attended Pubwatch meeting
- The success of the 'street a week' operation, that the programme was continuing and a waiting list had been set up
- The wish to improve the provision of information made available to the community on the work of the Neighbourhood Policing Team
- The desire to ensure that the work of the Police was seen in partnership with other agencies
- The issues at Offerton Social Club
- Enforcement of traffic regulations on illegally parked vehicles outside schools

RESOLVED – That Inspector O'Brien be thanked for his attendance.

#### **(ii) Public Question Time**

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

- Plans to hold markets in district centres
- Traffic schemes for the Commercial Road area
- The planned closure of Hazel Grove Post Office
- The bus stop opposite the entrance of Hazelwood Road
- An overgrown hedge obstructing the footpath on Hazelwood Road
- The excellent work carried out by Environmental Services concerning the nuisance caused to residents by noise from refrigerator units at premises in

Hazel Grove

(iii) Petitions

No petitions were submitted.

(iv) Area Flexibility Funding

There were no applications to consider.

**4. GULLY AND STREET CLEANSING**

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

Councillor Hogg reported that Area Committees would soon be considering issues relating to street and gully cleansing and enforcement action to be taken against car owners who had failed to move their vehicle at the locations being cleaned.

A member of the public suggested cleaning individual streets in two separate sessions.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

**5. GREENING THE GROVE**

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

Councillor Hogg reported that he had received a request from residents for more flower displays in Hazel Grove district centre.

RESOLVED – That the ward Councillors liaise with the Service Director (Regeneration & Leisure) concerning the provision of flower displays in Hazel Grove district centre.

**6. CHRISTMAS LIGHTS**

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

Councillor Hogg reported that more partnership working was needed between the Council and local traders in order to acquire funding for the provision of Christmas lights in the district centres in the future.

RESOLVED – That the Service Director (Regeneration & Leisure) be requested to liaise with local traders in order to identify funding for the provision of Christmas lights in the district centres in future years.

**7. CCTV PROVISION IN HAZEL GROVE**

(NOTE: The Chair was of the opinion that this item although not included on the agenda should be considered as a matter of urgency in accordance with section 100

B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972 to allow members of the public present to be informed of the issue)

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

Councillor Hogg reported that CCTV at one fixed location and also a mobile CCTV camera would be provided in Hazel Grove in the New Year.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

## **8. NEWBOURNE CLOSE**

(NOTE: The Chair was of the opinion that this item although not included on the agenda should be considered as a matter of urgency in accordance with section 100 B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972 to avoid unnecessary delay in the consideration of the item)

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

Councillor Hogg reported on a recent incident at Newbourne Close where parked cars had blocked access for a fire engine and that he would raise the issue with the Neighbourhood Policing Team.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

## **9. PUBLIC QUESTIONS (Continued)**

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

- The provision and re-stocking of grit bins
- Traffic scheme proposals for Grove Street
- The one way traffic regulations in place on Grove Street
- Cleaning of the road sign at the junction of Bosden Hall Road and Commercial Road

RESOLVED – That the Service Director (Transportation & Planning) be requested to write to residents of Grove Street, Hazel Street and Vine Street to ensure that they were made aware of the legal status of the one way traffic regulations.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm

