

## **MARPLE AREA COMMITTEE**

Meeting: 26 September 2018  
At: 6.00 pm

### **PRESENT**

Councillor Malcolm Allan (Co-Chair), Kenny Blair (Co-Chair), Annette Finnie, Steve Gribbon and Colin MacAlister.

### **1. MINUTES**

The Minutes (copies of which had been circulated) of the meeting held on 26 September 2018 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

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

Councillors and Officers were invited to declare any interests which they had in any of the items on the agenda.

The following interest was declared:-

#### **Personal & Prejudicial Interest**

<u>Councillor</u>	<u>Interest</u>
Kenny Blair	Agenda item 8 ' High Lane Allotments, Windlehurst Road, High Lane, Nomination for Land to be included on the lists of Assets of Community Value as he has helped to complete the application form. Councillor Blair left the meeting and took no part in the discussion or vote on the item.

### **3. URGENT DECISIONS**

No urgent decisions were reported.

### **4. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

#### **(i) Chair's Announcements**

The Chair reported that he expect the Greater Manchester Combined Authority to consider the latest version of the Greater Manchester Spatial Strategy at the October meeting of the Authority. He provided an update on issues relating to Ludworth School and that the Marple North Ward Councillors were holding a public meeting to hear people's views. Furthermore the Friends of Cromwell Park Group were holding a Halloween Event on 31 October 2018 and the High Lane Dog Show was taking place on Saturday 29 September 2018 at 1.00pm

(ii) Public Question Time

Members of the public were invited to submit questions to the Chair of the Area Committee on any matters within the powers and duties of the Area Committee subject to the exclusions set out in the code of practice.

One public question was submitted relating to the Hollins Lane, Marple Bridge Footpath.

RESOLVED – That the Corporate Director for Place Management and Regeneration be requested to investigate this matter and provide a written response to also be circulated to members of the Committee.

(iii) Public Realm

The Chair reported that the Public Realm Inspector had been unable to attend the meeting and that any comments or queries raised as part of the item would be forwarded to the appropriate Council Officers. It was further reported that a summary of activities in the Marple Area Committee area had been circulated to Councillors and this summary would be uploaded on to the Marple Area Committee webpage.

(iv) Petitions

No petitions were submitted.

(v) Open Forum

A representative of the Head of Legal and Governance reported that no organisation had indicated that they wished to address the Area Committee as part of the Open Forum arrangements.

**5. AREA FLEXIBILITY FUNDING - HIGH LANE VILLAGE NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM**

A representative of the Head of Legal and Governance submitted an application on behalf of the High Lane Village Forum requesting funding to assist in meeting the costs for the preparation of their Neighbourhood Development Plan.

RESOLVED – That an allocation of £200.00 be made to the High Lane Village Forum to assist in meeting the costs for the preparation of their Neighbourhood Development Plan.

**6. AREA FLEXIBILITY FUNDING - FRIENDS OF HIGH LANE AND BROOKSIDE PARKS**

A representative of the Head of Legal and Governance submitted an application on behalf of the Friends of High Lane and Brookside Parks requesting funding towards assisting the group in meeting start-up costs.

RESOLVED – That a grant of £100.00 to the Friends of High Lane and Brookside Parks to assist the group in meeting start-up costs be approved.

**7. HIGHWAYS MAINTENANCE AND LOCAL INITIATIVE SCHEME - MARPLE MEMORIAL PARK**

A representative of the Head of Legal and Governance submitted a report of the Corporate Director for Place Management and Regeneration (copies of which had been circulated) requesting the Area Committee to consider funding proposed resurfacing works in Marple Memorial Park.

RESOLVED – That resurfacing works in Marple Memorial Park, as detailed in the plan accompanying the report, be approved at an approximate cost of £11,600 from the Area delegated budget (to be divided equally between the two wards)

**8. HIGH LANE ALLOTMENTS, WINDLEHURST ROAD, HIGH LANE: NOMINATION FOR LAND TO BE INCLUDED ON THE LIST OF ASSETS OF COMMUNITY VALUE.**

A representative of the Deputy Chief Executive submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) requesting the Area Committee to consider an application to list High Lane Allotments as an Asset of Community Value.

RESOLVED - That High Lane Allotments be listed as an Asset of Community Value.

**9. APPOINTMENT OF COUNCILLORS TO LAY WREATHS AT REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICES ON 11 NOVEMBER 2018**

A representative of the Head of Legal and Governance submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) requesting the Area Committee to appoint Councillors to lay wreaths on behalf of the Council at Remembrance Day Services at Compstall, High Lane, Marple and Mellor War Memorials on Sunday 11 November 2018.

RESOLVED – That the following Councillors be nominated to lay wreaths on behalf of the Council on Sunday 11 November 2018 at the Remembrance Day Services indicated:-

Compstall – Councillor Steve Gribbon  
High Lane – Councillor Colin MacAlister  
Marple– Councillor Annette Finnie  
Mellor – Councillor Malcolm Allan

**10. HIGHWAY WARD SPOKESPERSONS**

With the consent of the Area Committee this item was withdrawn.

**11. PROGRESS ON AREA COMMITTEE DECISIONS**

A representative of the Head of Legal and Governance submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) updating the Area Committee on progress since the last meeting on decisions taken by the Area Committee and on the current position on Ward Flexibility Funding. The report also included the position on ward delegated budgets.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

## **12. DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS**

A development application was submitted.

(NOTE: Full details of the decisions including conditions and reasons for granting or refusing planning permission and imposing conditions are given in the schedule of plans. The Chief Executive is authorised to determine conditions and reasons and they are not therefore referred to in committee minutes unless the committee makes a specific decision on a condition or reason. In order to reduce printing costs and preserve natural resources, the schedule of plans is not reproduced within these minutes. A copy of the schedule of plans is available on the council's website at [www.stockport.gov.uk/planningdecisions](http://www.stockport.gov.uk/planningdecisions). Copies of the schedule of plans, or any part thereof, may be obtained from the Place Directorate upon payment of the Council's reasonable charges).

(i) DC/068083 - The Garden House, Lakes Road, Marple, Stockport, SK6 7DH

In respect of plan no. 068083 for change of use of land to a mixed use consisting of an urban farm and educational facility, together with retention of associated buildings, structures and parking areas (retrospective) at The Garden House, Lakes Road, Marple,

A representative of the applicant spoke in support of the application,

It was then

RESOLVED – That planning permission be refused as the environmental, economic and social benefits associated with the development / use are not considered to outweigh the harm associated with the site and therefore the proposal conflicts with policies GBA1.1, GBA1.2, LCR1.1, LCR1.1a, CS8, CS9, SIE – 1, SIE-3, T-1, T-2,T-3 and advice contained within the National Planning Policy Framework, nor when considered as a whole does the proposal represent sustainable development as per Section 38(6) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

## **13. PLANNING APPEALS, ENFORCEMENT APPEALS AND ENFORCEMENT NOTICES**

A representative of the Head of Legal and Governance submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) updating the Area Committee on progress since the last meeting on decisions taken by the Area Committee and on Area Flexibility Funding.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

The meeting closed at 8.40 pm