## **HEATONS & REDDISH AREA COMMITTEE**

Meeting: 10 March 2014

At: 6.00 pm

#### **PRESENT**

Councillor Paul Moss (Chair) in the chair; Councillors Walter Brett, Kate Butler, Colin Foster, Dean Fitzpatrick, Tom Grundy, Tom McGee, Anthony O'Neill, David Sedgwick, Andrew Verdeille and David Wilson.

#### 1. MINUTES

The Minutes (copies of which had been circulated) of the meeting held on 3 February 2014 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

## 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

# 3. URGENT DECISIONS

No urgent decisions were reported.

#### 4. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

#### (i) Chair's Announcements

No announcements were made.

#### (ii) Neighbourhood Policing

A representative of the Democratic Services Manager reported that a representative of Greater Manchester Police had been unable to attend the meeting.

#### (iii) 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 question was submitted relating to the consultation process undertaken by the planning department when determining a planning application.

RESOLVED – That the Corporate Director for Place Management and Regeneration be requested to provide a written response to the questioner within seven days.

#### (iv) Public Realm

Janette Sadgrove (Public Realm Service) attended the meeting to report on current issues and to answer questions from Councillors and members of the public in relation to public realm issues within the area represented by Heatons and Reddish Area Committee.

The following comments were made/issues raised:-

- Estate visits had taken place at Leamington Court and Criterion Street
- Heatons North ward dark green routes were currently being inspected by the highways safety inspector.
- A Stockport Homes Community Clear Up and Estate Walkabout would be held in w/c 17 March on the Marbury and Blackbrook Road Estate, Heaton Chapel.
- An update on enforcement action relating to fly tipping, illegal advertising on the highway and fly posting.

RESOLVED – That Janette Sadgrove be thanked for her attendance and report.

# (v) <u>Petitions</u>

No petitions were submitted.

# (vi) Open Forum

## Shopmobility

John Leatherbarrow, Shopmobility, attended the meeting and made a presentation in respect to the work undertaken by Shopmobility, a scheme which lends manual wheelchairs, powered wheelchairs and powered scooters to members of the public with limited mobility to shop and to visit leisure and commercial facilities within the town or shopping centre.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted and John Leatherbarrow be thanked for his attendance and presentation

#### **Neighbourhood Action Plans**

The West Area Housing Manager (Stockport Homes Ltd) submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) updating the Area Committee on progress in the delivery of the Neighbourhood Action Plans.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

#### (vii) Area Flexibility Funding

A representative of the Democratic Services Manager submitted Area Funding applications (copies of which had been circulated) for the Area Committee's consideration as follows:-

#### a) Harrogate Road Allotment Society

In relation to the purchase of a second hand green house and other items for use at the allotment.

RESOLVED – That consideration of the application be deferred to enable the applicant to attend the meeting and address the Area Committee.

# b) HART (Healing Art)

In relation to the purchase of arts and crafts materials and course fees.

RESOLVED – That the Democratic Services Manager be requested to make a grant of £668 (to be divided equally between the four wards) towards the purchase of arts and crafts materials and course fees.

#### c) Manchester and Stockport Canal Society

In relation to the purchase of a plaque to mount at the Community Centre in North Reddish Park.

RESOLVED – (One against) That the Democratic Services Manager be requested to make a grant of £300 (Reddish North Ward allocation) toward the purchase of a plaque to mount at the Community Centre in North Reddish Park.

#### d) Nelstrop Road Allotments

In relation to the purchase of a second hand portaloo and paving flags

RESOLVED – That the Democratic Services Manager be requested to make a grant of £450 (Heatons North Ward allocation) towards the purchase of a second hand portaloo and paving flags.

## 5. DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

Development applications were 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 Corporate Director for Place Management and Regeneration 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. Copies of the schedule of plans, or any part thereof, may be obtained from the Services to Place Directorate upon payment of the Council's reasonable charges).

A representative of the Democratic Services Manager outlined the procedure approved by the Council for public speaking on planning applications.

#### (i) DC054045 - Rothay Drive, North Reddish

In respect of plan no 54045 for the replacement and erection of a new boundary fence with 18mt black traditional railings on Rothay Drive side of fishing pond, it was

RESOLVED – That planning permission be refused due to the detrimental impact that the proposed development would have on the visual amenity of local residents.

# (ii) DC054060 - Former Bardsley Nursery, Grafton Street, Heaton Norris

In respect of plan no.54060 for the erection of 10 no apartment sheltered housing scheme with 2 no carers/communal living costs (Class C2) at former Bardsley Nursery, Grafton Street, Heaton Norris,

a member of the public spoke against the application and a representative of the applicant spoke in support of the application,

it was then

RESOLVED – That consideration of the application be deferred to enable further discussions to take place between the Corporate Director for Place Management and Regeneration and the applicant concerning the orientation of the proposed development.

## 6. APPEAL DECISIONS, CURRENT PLANNING APPEALS AND ENFORCEMENTS

A representative of the Democratic Services Manager submitted a report of the Council Solicitor (copies of which had been circulated) summarising recent appeal decisions, listing current planning appeals and dates for local enquiries, informal hearings for planning appeals and enforcement action within the Heatons and Reddish Area Committee.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

#### 7. PLANNING APPEAL STATISTICS 2012/2013

A representative of the Democratic Services Manager submitted a report of the Council Solicitor (copies of which had been circulated) setting out the appeal decisions for the Area Committee and of the Borough as a whole. Information was also provided on success according to the maker of each decision, application costs and the amount received or paid.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

#### 8. HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE AND LOCAL INITIATIVES

A representative of the Corporate Director for Place Management and Regeneration submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) requesting the Area Committee to consider a proposed local initiative scheme on Handforth Road, Reddish – Phase 2.

RESOLVED - That the following local initiative scheme on Handforth Road, Reddish be approved at an approximate cost of £9,500 to be funded via the Highway Maintenance and Traffic Management delegated budget (Reddish South Ward allocation)

Handforth Road from Alderley Road to Newark Road To removeflags and replace with bitmac

# 9. PROPOSED BOLLARDS, GREEN LANE, HEATON MOOR

A representative of the Democratic Services Manager submitted a report of the Corporate Director for Place Management & Regeneration (copies of which had been circulated) requesting the Area Committee to give consideration to a proposal to introduce bollards on part of Green Lane, Heaton Moor.

RESOLVED – That the proposal to introduce bollards on part of Green Lane, Heaton Moor be approved at an approximate cost of £2,200 to be funded via the Highway Maintenance and Traffic Management delegated budget (Heatons South Ward Allocation)

# 10. THE METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL OF STOCKPORT (BROMPTON ROAD, HEYSCROFT ROAD, CARLTON ROAD, HEATON MERSEY) (PROHIBITION OF WAITING) ORDER 2014

A representative of the Democratic Services Manager submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) requesting the Area Committee to give consideration to objections made to a proposed Traffic Regulation Order at Brompton Road, Heyscroft Road, Carlton Road and Curtis Road, Heaton Mersey.

RESOLVED – That consideration of this item be deferred to a future meeting to enable the ward Councillors to meet on site with representatives of Greater Manchester Police and a representative of the Corporate Director for Place Management and Regeneration to discuss traffic enforcement and traffic management issues at the site and in the local area.

## 11. REDDISH VALE TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

A representative of the Democratic Services Manager submitted a report of the Corporate Director for Place Management and Regeneration (copies of which had been circulated) requesting the Area Committee to consider and comment on the possible transfer of a former Council occupied building.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted and the proposals contained within it be endorsed in so far as the Area Committee is concerned.

# 12. OCCUPATIONAL AGREEMENT – ADA KAY AND WHITEHILL RESOURCE CENTRES

A representative of the Democratic Services Manager submitted a report of the Corporate Director for Place Management and Regeneration (copies of which had been circulated) requesting the Area Committee to consider a proposal to grant a temporary occupational agreement to a new company, Step Out, that is providing Day Services from the Ada Kay and Whitehill Resource Centres.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted and the proposal to grant a temporary occupational agreement to Step Out be approved in so far as the Area Committee is concerned.

# 13. APPLICATION FOR USE OF PARKS - HEATON MOOR PARK AND ST ANDREWS ROAD FIELD

A representative of the Democratic Services Manager submitted a report of the Corporate Director for Place Management and Regeneration (copies of which had been circulated) requesting the Area Committee to give consideration to an application from Four Heatons Traders Association to hold their annual Summer Fayre/ Community Festival at Heaton Moor Park and to use St Andrews Road Playing Field for event car parking.

RESOLVED – That approval be given to an application from Four Heatons Traders Association to hold their annual Summer Fayre/ Community Festival at Heaton Moor Park on Sunday 22 June 2014 and for the use of the St Andrews Road Playing Field for event car parking, subject to the Corporate Director for Place Management and Regeneration confirming with the applicant that provision will be made to ensure that the St Andrews Road Playing Field is returned to its original state following the event.

# 14. NOMINATION OF AUTHORITY GOVERNORS

A representative of the Democratic Services Manager reported that since the agenda had been produced a vacancy had arisen at Reddish Vale Technology College.

RESOLVED – That the Executive Councillor (Lifelong Learning and Achievement) be requested to make the following appointment:-

Name School Nominating Group

Cllr Kate Butler Reddish Vale Tech Labour

#### 15. PROGRESS ON AREA COMMITTEE DECISIONS

A representative of the Democratic Services Manager 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 on Area Flexibility Funding.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted and the Corporate Director for Place Management and Regeneration be requested to provide an update to the next meeting concerning concerns previously raised by Councillors about cars and bicycles traveling safely at the Didsbury Road/ Cloister Road/ Burnage Lane/ Printers Close junctions.

The meeting closed at 7.31 pm