

WERNETH AREA COMMITTEE

Meeting: 21 June 2021

At: 6.00 pm

PRESENT

Councillors Angie Clark, Stuart Corris, Chris Gordon, Mark Roberts, Lisa Smart and Sue Thorpe.

1. ELECTION OF CHAIR

RESOLVED – That Councillor Angie Clark be elected Chair of the Area Committee for the period until the next Annual Council Meeting.

Councillor Angie Clark in the chair

2. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR

RESOLVED – That Councillor Chris Gordon be appointed Vice-Chair of the Area Committee for the period until the next Annual Council Meeting.

3. MINUTES

The Minutes (copies of which had been circulated) of the meeting held on 19 April 2021 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

The following interests were declared:-

Personal Interests

<u>Councillors</u>	<u>Interest</u>
Mark Roberts and Lisa Smart	Agenda Item 6(v) – ‘Ward Flexibility Funding – Friends of Romiley Station’ as members of the Friends of Romiley Station.

Personal and Prejudicial Interest

<u>Councillor</u>	<u>Interest</u>
Angie Clark	Agenda Item 6(v) – ‘Ward Flexibility Funding – Friends of Romiley Station’ as the Secretary of the Friends of Romiley Station.

Councillor Clark left the meeting during the consideration of this item and took no part in the discussion or vote.

5. URGENT DECISIONS

No urgent decisions were reported.

6. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

(i) Chair's Announcements

The Chair reported that the Friends of Chadkirk were inviting members of the public to participate in the annual well-dressing at St Chad's Well. The dedication event was due to take place on 31 July 2021, however it would not be possible to hold the usual community fete on that day.

The Chair then reported that Stockport's 'Leap Frog Art Trail' was taking place again this year, however it was now due to be expanded to the various districts of the Borough. It was confirmed that both Romiley and Woodley would each receive a frog which it was hoped would generate more visitors the districts as part of the wider art trail.

The Chair thanked those members of the public who had contributed to the recent commemoration event of the centenary of Bredbury War Memorial. It was stated that the event had been a great success and had been attended by the Mayor of Stockport.

Finally, the Chair extended her thanks to the children of Bredbury Green Primary School who had planted sunflowers at Romilry Railway Station.

(ii) Public Question Time

Members of the public were invited to put questions to the Chair on any matters in the powers or duties of the Area Committee, subject to the exclusions set out within the Code of Practice.

No public questions were submitted.

(iii) Petitions

No petitions were submitted.

(iv) Open Forum

A representative of Strategic Head of Service (Legal & Democratic Governance and Monitoring Officer) reported that no organisations had indicated that they wished to address the Area Committee as part of the Open Forum arrangements.

Councillor Chris Gordon (Vice-Chair) in the chair

(v) Ward Flexibility Funding - Friends of Romiley Station

A representative of the Strategic Head of Service (Legal & Democratic Governance and Monitoring Officer) submitted an application received on behalf of the Friends of Romiley

Station for a grant from the Ward Flexibility Budget towards the cost of installing an interpretive board near to the main station entrance on Stockport Road.

It was noted that the application had sought a grant of up to £1,000 and it was suggested that in the light of the limited budget available to the Area Committee, and to ensure that funding remained available to local community organisations throughout the remainder of the municipal year, that an award of £750 should be made with regard to this application.

RESOLVED - That approval be given to an application received from the Friends of Romiley Station for a grant of £750 towards the cost of installing an interpretive board near to the main station entrance on Stockport Road.

Councillor Angie Clark (Chair) in the chair

(vi) Ward Flexibility Funding - Friends and Relatives of Greave Primary School

A representative of the Strategic Head of Service (Legal & Democratic Governance and Monitoring Officer) submitted an application received on behalf of the Friends and Relatives of Greave Primary School for a grant from the Ward Flexibility Budget towards the cost of installing CCTV around the school's outdoor classroom.

Members of the Area Committee expressed their support for the application and proposed that an award of a grant should be made that met 50% of the costs of the scheme.

RESOLVED - That approval be given to an application received from the Friends and Relatives of Greave Primary School for a grant of £650 towards the cost of installing CCTV around the school's outdoor classroom.

(vii) Ward Flexibility Funding - Mossclare St Vincent's Housing Group

A representative of the Strategic Head of Service (Legal & Democratic Governance and Monitoring Officer) submitted an application received on behalf of Mossclare St Vincent's Housing Group for a grant from the Ward Flexibility Budget towards the cost of installing a cloud based CCTV system in Bredbury, based at the Meadow Bank and Meadow Walk schemes.

RESOLVED - That approval be given to an application received from Mossclare St Vincent's Housing Group for a grant of £1,000 towards the cost of installing a cloud based CCTV system in Bredbury, based at the Meadow Bank and Meadow Walk schemes.

7. DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

There were no development applications to consider.

8. PLANNING APPEALS, ENFORCEMENT APPEALS & ENFORCEMENT NOTICES

A representative of the Strategic Head of Service (Legal & Democratic Governance and Monitoring Officer) submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) listing any outstanding or recently determined planning appeals and enforcements within the area represented by the Werneth Area Committee.

It was reported that replacement tree planting on land adjacent to Unity Mills, Poleacre Lane, Woodley had now taken place in compliance with the tree replacement notice previously issued by the Council on this site.

It was further commented that consideration should be given to making amendments to the format of the report such that it was clearer which elements of the report constituted historical updates to the report, and what represented the current position.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

9. REVIEW OF OUTCOMES TOUR 2021

A representative of the Strategic Head of Service (Legal & Democratic Governance and Monitoring Officer) submitted a report of the Corporate Director (Place) & Deputy Chief Executive (copies of which had been circulated) requesting that the Area Committee give consideration to the arrangements for the 2021 tour.

RESOLVED – (1) That the report be noted.

(2) That the Bredbury Curve residential development be nominated for inclusion on the list of sites to be included on the 2021 Annual Review Tour or alternatively The Folds retirement development, Romiley.

(3) That Councillors Chris Gordon and Sue Thorpe be nominated to attend the Tour.

10. AREA COMMITTEE WARD HIGHWAYS SPOKESPERSONS

The Area Committee was invited to nominate Ward Spokespersons with whom the Corporate Director for Place Management & Regeneration could consult on highway maintenance and traffic management matters.

RESOLVED - That the following Councillors be appointed as Ward Spokespersons for highways and traffic issues:-

Bredbury and Woodley	- Councillor Chris Gordon
Bredbury Green & Romiley	- Councillor Mark Roberts

11. ROAD SAFETY AROUND SCHOOLS - BREDBURY ST MARK'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

A representative of the Strategic Head of Service (Legal & Democratic Governance and Monitoring Officer) submitted a report of the Corporate Director (Place) & Deputy Chief Executive (copies of which had been circulated) detailing the findings of a consultation exercise for the Road Safety around Schools scheme around Bredbury St Mark's CE Primary School and seeking approval for the implementation of dropped kerbs with tactile paving; access protection markings; and new school warning signs.

RESOLVED – That approval be given to the detailed proposals contained within the report, and specifically:-

- Provision of additional school warning signs on Redhouse Lane;

- Provision of dropped kerbs and tactile paving at the school crossing patrol location on Redhouse Lane and at the junctions of Redhouse Lane with Brookfield Avenue and the car park access;
- Reinstallation of the tactile paving at the Redhouse Lane / Chamberlain Gardens junction which is currently misaligned;
- Provision of access protection markings at two properties with dropped kerbs on Redhouse Lane to highlight driveways to be kept clear of parked vehicles; and
- Relining of the existing 'no waiting' restrictions on Redhouse Lane to allow enforcement.

12. APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

A representative of the Strategic Head of Service (Legal & Democratic Governance and Monitoring Officer) submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) requesting the Area Committee to appoint representatives of the Council to local Outside Bodies.

RESOLVED – That the following representatives of the Council be appointed to outside bodies for 2021/2022:-

Barrack Hill Educational Trust

Councillor Stuart Corris

Councillor Lisa Smart

Civic Hall, Woodley User Group Management Committee

Councillor Stuart Corris

Councillor Chris Gordon

Councillor Sue Thorpe

13. PROGRESS ON AREA COMMITTEE DECISIONS

A representative of the Strategic Head of Service (Legal & Democratic Governance and Monitoring Officer) 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 the current position on Area Flexibility Funding.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

The meeting closed at 6.31 pm