

CHEADLE AREA COMMITTEE

Meeting: 25 January 2022

At: 6.00 pm

PRESENT

Councillor Graham Greenhalgh (Chair) in the chair; Councillor Carole McCann (Vice-Chair); Councillors Anna Charles-Jones, Keith Holloway, Jilly Julian, David Meller, Adrian Nottingham and Iain Roberts.

1. MINUTES

The minutes (copies of which had been circulated) of the meeting held on 30 November 2021 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

The following interests were declared:

Personal interests

Councillor(s)	Interest
Carole McCann	Agenda item 5 – Petitions as an employee for a company whose offices were located in the village, Heald Green.
Jilly Julian	Agenda item 5 – Ward Flexibility Funding – applications from the Cheadle Civic Society as a member of Cheadle Civic Society.
David Meller	Agenda item 5 – Ward Flexibility Funding – applications from the Cheadle Civic Society as a member of Cheadle Civic Society.
Iain Roberts	Agenda item 5 – Ward Flexibility Funding – applications from the Cheadle Civic Society as a member of Cheadle Civic Society.
Keith Holloway	Agenda item 5 – Ward Flexibility Funding – applications from the Cheadle Civic Society as a member of Cheadle Civic Society.

Personal and prejudicial interest

Councillor	Interest
Graham Greenhalgh	Agenda item 5 – Ward Flexibility Funding –

Stockport Sea Cadets as a member of the committee of the Stockport Sea Cadets, and left the meeting during consideration of the item.

3. URGENT DECISIONS

No urgent decisions were reported.

4. PROGRESS ON AREA COMMITTEE DECISIONS

A representative of the Strategic Head of Service & Monitoring Officer (Legal & Democratic Governance) submitted a report updating the area committee on progress since the last meeting on decisions taken by the committee. The report also set out the current position on the committee's ward flexibility funding and delegated budgets.

RESOLVED – that the report be noted.

5. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

(i) Chair's Announcements

The Chair wished members a happy and healthy New Year.

Councillor Adrian Nottingham informed members that a fundraising event (curry night) for the Stockport Mayor's Charity was due to take place from 7pm on Tuesday 15 February at Garam Masala, Cheadle Hulme.

(ii) Public Question Time

No public questions were submitted.

(iii) Neighbourhood Policing

Inspector Martin Baker was in attendance at the meeting to report on neighbourhood policing matters in the Cheadle area, which included an update on crime, Speedwatch and the upcoming changes to neighbourhood policing.

Members were pleased to receive an update on Speedwatch and expressed thanks to Inspector Baker for his attendance.

(iv) Petitions

It was noted that an e-petition in relation to residents permit parking on Newbould Road, Cheadle, had been received. Councillor Anna Charles-Jones then presented a petition to the area committee 'Save the 300 year old Oak Tree in Heald Green'.

RESOLVED – (1) That the e-petition in relation to residents permit parking on Newbould Road, Cheadle, be referred to the Director of Place Management for investigation and response.

(2) That the petition 'Save the 300 year old Oak Tree in Heald Green' be referred to the Director of Place Management for investigation and response.

(v) Open Forum - Access Control Measures Policy Statement

Adam Meadowcroft, Team Leader - Feasibility and Road Safety Team, attended the meeting and provided members with an update on existing guidance and legislation regarding access controls, and were made aware of the current consultation on the proposed access control measures policy statement that would run until 25 February 2022. The area committee were encouraged to promote the consultation so that the council could get as much feedback as possible to inform the work.

Members stressed the importance of accessible network routes for all users in current and future access design. A concern was raised as to the accessibility of sites being weighed up against the risks caused by anti-social behaviour, and it was felt that accessibility of routes should take priority, with subsequent measures put in place to combat anti-social behaviour, including illegitimate use of routes.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

(vi) Ward Flexibility Funding - Cheadle Civic Society

A representative of the Strategic Head of Service (Legal & Democratic Governance and Monitoring Officer) submitted an application received on behalf of Cheadle Civic Society to support the establishment of a digital Community Heritage Archive.

RESOLVED – The area committee approved the application for Ward Flexibility Funding from the Cheadle Civic Society for £500 (£250 each from Cheadle & Gatley and Cheadle Hulme North Wards) to support the establishment of a digital Community Heritage Archive.

(vii) Ward Flexibility Funding - Stockport Sea Cadets

A representative of the Strategic Head of Service (Legal & Democratic Governance and Monitoring Officer) submitted an application received on behalf of Stockport Sea Cadets towards the cost of starting a community Karate & Self-Defence Club for cadet services, families, friends and the wider community.

RESOLVED - The area committee approved Ward Flexibility Funding of £300 to the Stockport Sea Cadets towards the cost of starting a community Karate & Self-Defence Club for cadet services, families, friends and the wider community, to be funded as follows:

Cheadle and Gatley Ward allocation - £100
Cheadle Hulme North Ward allocation - £100
Heald Green Ward allocation - £100

(viii) Ward Flexibility Funding - Autisk

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

of starting up a primary-aged social group for primary-aged children and young people to attend, make new friendships and access fun activities and a sensory room.

RESOLVED - The area committee approved the application for Ward Flexibility Funding from Autisk for £150 (£50 from each ward of the Cheadle Area Committee) towards the cost of starting up a primary-aged social group for primary-aged children and young people to attend, make new friendships and access fun activities and a sensory room.

(ix) Ward Flexibility Funding - Cheadle Civic Society (2)

A representative of the Strategic Head of Service (Legal & Democratic Governance and Monitoring Officer) submitted a further application received on behalf of Cheadle Civic Society to support the cost of lighting Cheadle Green/ hall grounds.

RESOLVED - The area committee approved the application from Cheadle Civic Society for a total of £1,000 to support the cost of lighting Cheadle Green/ hall grounds, to be funded as follows:

Cheadle & Gatley Ward allocation - £500

Cheadle Hulme North Ward allocation - £500

6. DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION

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 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/planning. 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).

The Chair outlined the procedure approved by the council for public speaking on planning applications.

(i) DC/081729 - 31 Bradgate Avenue, Heald Green

In respect of application DC/081729 – 31 Bradgate Avenue, Heald Green, Cheadle, SK8 3AQ for the proposed two-storey side extension with internal garage and proposed single storey front and rear extension with a 45-degree chamfered corner to the southern corner.

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 the Planning & Highways Regulation Committee be recommended to undertake a site visit in order to gain an understanding of the site location in relation to neighbouring properties.

7. PLANNING APPEALS, ENFORCEMENT APPEALS AND NOTICES

A representative of the Strategic Head of Service and Monitoring Officer (Legal and Democratic Services) 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 Cheadle Area Committee.

The committee expressed their thanks to officers for ensuring that 5G masts were put in suitable locations.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

8. A34 - ROAD SAFETY SCHEME

A representative of the Corporate Director of Place Management submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) of the proposal to reduce the speed limit from 50mph to 40mph between Broadway and Cheadle Royal.

Members noted the road safety concerns along the section of the A34 between Cheadle Royal and the A560, which did not meet current design standards.

RESOLVED – To recommend that the Cabinet Member (Environment and Economy) approve the statutory legal advertising of the Traffic Regulation Order detailed in the report and, subject to no objections being received within 21 days from the advertisement date, that the Order be made.

9. RESIDENTS PARKING SCHEME PETITION - NEW HEY ROAD, CHEADLE

A representative of the Corporate Director of Place Management submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) containing a desktop survey detailing the existing parking conditions in the locality following the receipt of a petition requesting the introduction of a residents permit parking scheme on New Hey Road, Cheadle.

RESOLVED – (1) that the contents of the desktop study be noted; and

(2) that further options be considered to resolve parking difficulties experienced by residents of New Hey Road, Cheadle, including consideration of a wider area scheme.

This was the last meeting attended by David Clee, CSS Manager and lead support officer to the Cheadle Area Committee. Tribute was paid, and thanks expressed to David, for his hard work, guidance and dependability to members of the area committee over the years.

The meeting closed at 7.23 pm