

## **BRAMHALL & CHEADLE HULME SOUTH AREA COMMITTEE**

Meeting: 22 June 2023

At: 6.30 pm

PRESENT

Councillors Keith Holloway, Dallas Jones, Mark Jones, Jeremy Meal, Ian Powney and Suzanne Wyatt.

### **1. ELECTION OF CHAIR**

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

Councillor Suzanne Wyatt in the Chair

### **2. APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIR**

RESOLVED – That Councillor Ian Powney 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 20 April 2023 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 interest was declared:-

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

##### **Councillor**

##### **Interest**

Mark Jones	Agenda Item 13 – ‘Installation of Pedestrian Guard Railing on Woodford Road, Woodford’ as his daughter resides at the property adjacent to the location of the proposed guard railing.
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Councillor Jones 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

It was noted that Bramhall Festival would be taking place on Saturday 24 June 2023. Members and residents were encouraged to attend.

### (ii) Neighbourhood Policing

It was reported that a representative of Greater Manchester Police was unable to attend the meeting due to personal commitments. The Chair informed the Committee that representatives would be invited to attend the next meeting of the Area Committee in August 2023.

Members raised concerns in relation to Woodford Garden Village with regard to anti-social behaviour and vehicle noise. It was noted that as the village lay on the boundary of Greater Manchester and Cheshire East, it was felt that neither police force had taken responsibility. Members were asked to support with taking the issue forward. In response, it was suggested that the issue be raised with Councillor Morrison as the Stockport representative on the Greater Manchester Police, Fire and Crime Panel.

### (iii) 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.

Three public questions were submitted relating to issues around the footpath and access for elderly and disabled people on Bramley Close, asking when residents could expect progress in relation to the scheduled footpath and improvements at Bramley Close.

In response, Members provided assurance that the conversations that had taken place with a previous elected member had been noted by the officer who was in attendance during the discussions. It was noted that there was an item on the agenda relating to a feasibility funding request in relation to Bramley Close to explore the issues and propose a solution, and stated that the issues raised within the public questions by residents would be discussed under this item. It was commented that although it was a long process as a feasibility study was required, residents should be reassured that progress was being made and advised that the ongoing development taking place on Bramley Close would not impede the progress to make the appropriate changes to the footpaths, pending the results of the feasibility study.

### (iv) Petitions

No petitions were submitted.

(v) Open Forum

A representative of the Assistant Director (Legal & Democratic Governance) reported that no organisations had indicated that they wished to address the Area Committee as part of the Open Forum arrangements.

(vi) Ward Flexibility Funding - Drawing Board Productions Community Interest Company – Bramhall Post

A representative of Drawing Board Productions Community Interest Company – Bramhall Post attended the meeting and submitted an application for an overall grant of £822 (£411 each from Bramhall North and Bramhall South & Woodford ward allocations) towards the cost of the distribution of a free, hyperlocal community newspaper designed to inform, inspire and connect local communities.

RESOLVED – That approval be given to an application from Drawing Board Productions Community Interest Company – Bramhall Post for a grant of £493.20 from the Ward Flexibility Funding Budget (£246.60 each from Bramhall North and Bramhall South & Woodford ward allocations) towards the cost of the distribution of a free, hyperlocal community newspaper designed to inform, inspire and connect local communities.

(vii) Ward Flexibility Funding - Drawing Board Productions Community Interest Company - Cheadle Post

A representative of Drawing Board Productions Community Interest Company – Cheadle Post attended the meeting and submitted an application for an overall grant of £986.40 (£246.60 from the Cheadle Hulme South ward allocation) towards the cost of the distribution of a free, hyperlocal community newspaper designed to inform, inspire and connect local communities.

RESOLVED – That approval be given to an application from Drawing Board Productions Community Interest Company – Cheadle Post for a grant of £986.40 from the Ward Flexibility Funding Budget (£246.60 from the Cheadle Hulme South ward allocation) towards the cost of the distribution of a free, hyperlocal community newspaper designed to inform, inspire and connect local communities.

(viii) Ward Flexibility Funding - Chads Theatre Company

A representative of Chads Theatre Company attended the meeting and submitted an application for an overall grant of £1,000 (£150 from Bramhall North, £200 from Bramhall South & Woodford and £250 from Cheadle Hulme South ward allocations) towards the cost of a defibrillator and an evacuation (stairs) chair.

RESOLVED – That approval be given to an application from Chads Theatre Company for a grant of £1,000 from the Ward Flexibility Funding Budget (£150 from Bramhall North, £200 from Bramhall South & Woodford and £250 from Cheadle Hulme South ward allocations) towards the cost of a defibrillator and an evacuation (stairs) chair.

(ix) Ward Flexibility Funding - Refugee Community Togetherness

A representative of Refugee Community Togetherness attended the meeting and submitted an application for an overall grant of £1,000 from the Cheadle Hulme South ward allocation only towards the cost of Health Time family projects involving Dancing and Eat Well cooking sessions.

The representative commented that they had made a mistake in within the original submission of the Ward Flexibility Funding application as the project benefited residents within Bramhall, Cheadle Hulme, Brinnington, Edgeley and Davenport and felt that the application should be re-submitted to reflect a request for funding from each of the aforementioned wards.

RESOLVED – That the application be withdrawn in anticipation of the re-submission of the Ward Flexibility Funding application.

(x) Ward Flexibility Funding - Social Events Activities

A representative of the Assistant Director - Legal & Democratic Governance submitted an application received on behalf of Social Events Activities for an overall grant of £1,000 (£150 from each ward allocation) towards the cost of promoting the social side of the group by purchasing paper, printer ink, receipt books, stamps, making telephone calls and taking photographs.

RESOLVED – That consideration of this item be deferred until a later meeting of the Area Committee at which the applicant could attend the meeting.

## **7. 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 & 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](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).

A representative of the Assistant Director - Legal & Democratic Governance outlined the procedure for public speaking on planning applications.

(i) DC/084754 - White Nook, 61 Bridle Road, Woodford, Stockport, SK7 1QN

In respect of plan no. DC/084754 for a first floor extension, increase in roof and eaves height and alterations to roof form, front porch and part two storey, part single storey rear extension at White Nook, 61 Bridle Road, Woodford, Stockport, SK7 1QN,

a representative of the applicant spoke in support of the application.

It was then

RESOLVED – That the Planning & Highways Regulation Committee be recommended to grant planning permission.

(ii) DC/088232 - Windyridge, 65 Bridle Road, Woodford, Stockport, SK7 1QN

In respect of plan no. DC/088232 for a two storey front extension, pitch/flat roof over the existing rear extension changed to a flat roof and external alterations including front canopy and alterations to windows and doors at Windyridge, 65 Bridle Road, Woodford, Stockport, SK7 1QN, it was

RESOLVED – That the Planning & Highways Regulation Committee be recommended to grant planning permission.

(iii) DC/086364 - 10 Oaklands Avenue, Cheadle Hulme, Cheadle, Stockport, SK8 5DE

In respect of plan no. DC/086364 for a proposed two storey side and rear extension with partial single storey rear and front extension at 10 Oaklands Avenue, Cheadle Hulme, Cheadle, Stockport, SK8 5DE,

a representative of the applicant spoke in support of the application; and

a member of the public spoke against the application.

It was then

RESOLVED – That planning permission be granted.

(iv) DC/085888 - 40 Hall Moss Lane, Woodford, Stockport, SK7 1RD

In respect of plan no. DC/085888 for side and rear extensions to the existing dwelling, 40 Hall Moss Lane. The demolition of all other existing buildings and structures and the erection of four dwellings, together with access, parking, landscaping, drainage, and other associated works at 40 Hall Moss Lane, Woodford, Stockport, SK7 1RD,

a representative of the applicant spoke in support of the application.

It was then

RESOLVED – That the Planning & Highways Regulation Committee be recommended to grant planning permission.

(v) DC/087991 - 46 Spath Lane East, Cheadle Hulme, Cheadle, Stockport, SK8 7NL

In respect of plan no. DC/087991 for the erection of detached double garage to replace detached single garage (retrospective) at 46 Spath Lane East, Cheadle Hulme, Cheadle, Stockport, SK8 7NL,

a representative of the applicant spoke in support of the application.

It was then

RESOLVED – That the Planning & Highways Regulation Committee be recommended to grant planning permission.

(vi) DC/087901 - 21 Bramhall Lane South, Bramhall, Stockport

In respect of plan no. DC/087901 for the division of building into three units in Class E use (Commercial, business and service) and renovation of existing building including new openings, windows, cladding, signage and new ramp and stair access points with canopies above at 21 Bramhall Lane South, Bramhall, Stockport, it was

RESOLVED – That planning permission be granted.

## **8. PLANNING APPEAL, ENFORCEMENT APPEALS AND ENFORCEMENT NOTICES**

A representative of the Assistant Director – Legal & Democratic Governance submitted a report (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 Bramhall & Cheadle Hulme South Area.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

## **9. BRAMHALL AND CHEADLE HULME DISTRICT CENTRE ACTION PLANS - UPDATE**

A representative of the Director of Development & Regeneration submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) providing an update on delivering the Bramhall District Centre Action Plan and Cheadle Hulme District Centre Action Plan.

The following comments were made/issues raised:-

- Welcomed the progress made to improve the Bramhall and Cheadle Hulme district centres and thanked officers for their work.

- Members indicated that they were happy to give approval for the release of funding for the proposed outdoor theatre event in Oak Meadow.
- Members were supportive of the proposed murals at Cheadle Hulme railway station, and referred to the success of art projects in other wards in the borough.

RESOLVED – That the partnership approach to developing the Bramhall District Centre Action Plan and Cheadle Hulme District Centre Action Plan be noted.

**10. EXTINGUISHMENT OF A SECTION OF PUBLIC FOOTPATH 16 HAZEL GROVE AND BRAMHALL UNDER SECTION 118 OF THE HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 AND UPGRADE OF A SECTION OF PUBLIC FOOTPATH 16 HAZEL GROVE TO BRIDLEWAY STATUS AND CREATION OF TWO FURTHER SECTIONS OF BRIDLEWAY UNDER SECTION 26 OF THE HIGHWAYS ACT 1980**

A representative of the Director of Place Management submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) detailing a proposal to revoke the decision made on 7 April to authorise the diversion of footpath 16 Hazel Grove and Bramhall and to consider whether to authorise the extinguishment of part of Public Footpath 16 Hazel Grove and Bramhall and upgrade a section of it to bridleway status with the creation of two further bridleways.

RESOLVED – (1) That the resolution passed at the Area Committee meeting on 7 April as follows: “That approval be given to the making of an Order under section 119 of the Highways Act 1980, diverting part of Public Footpath 16 Hazel Grove and Bramhall and upgrade to bridleway status with the addition of a section of unadopted path leading from Meadway Bramhall.” be revoked.

(2) That approval be given to the making of an Order under section 26 of the Highways Act 1980, creating a new public bridleway along that path from Meadway to footpath 16 and marked A-B on the plan attached at Appendix A, and upgrading that part of Public Footpath 16 Hazel Grove and Bramhall marked B-C on the plan attached at Appendix A to Bridleway status and creating a further bridleway from point C-D on the plan attached at Appendix A.

(3) That approval be given to the making of an order under section 118 of the Highways Act 1980, extinguishing that part of Public Footpath 16 Hazel Grove and Bramhall marked E-F on the plan attached at Appendix A.

**11. KEW DRIVE - BOLLARDS**

A representative of the Director of Place Management submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) outlining a proposal for the installation of bollards on the south side of Kew Drive, Cheadle Hulme.

Members welcomed the proposal, noting that the matter had been a longstanding issue and request from ward members and residents.

RESOLVED – That approval be given to the installation of 10 bollards on the southern footway of Kew Drive, Cheadle at a cost of £5,000 to be funded from the Area Committee's Delegated Budget (Cheadle Hulme South ward allocation).

## **12. FEASIBILITY FUNDING REQUEST - BRAMLEY CLOSE, BRAMHALL**

A representative of the Director of Place Management submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) seeking approval for funding to enable feasibility studies to be carried out following a request to improve the highway layout on Bramley Close by creating safer crossing point(s).

The following comments were made/ issues raised:-

- Officers clarified that the feasibility study outlined within the report related to a crossing point and at the price proposed, did not include the extension of a footpath as referenced by residents in the earlier public questions.
- It was commented that it was preferable for the proposed feasibility to be amended to reflect the issues raised by residents in relation to the pavement of the right width and disabled access.
- It was requested when the feasibility study proposals were resubmitted that officers take into account the public questions and concerns raised earlier in the meeting.
- It was noted that the report referenced the comments made by residents, however did not address the issue.

RESOLVED – That the Director of Place Management be requested to produce a revised report which reflected the issues raised by residents.

## **13. INSTALLATION OF PEDESTRIAN GUARD RAILING ON WOODFORD ROAD, WOODFORD**

A representative of the Director of Place Management submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) outlining a proposal for the installation of pedestrian guard railing on Woodford Road, Woodford next to the A555 access point.

The following comments were made/ issues raised:-

- It was commented that it had previously been resolved by Ward Members that a letter should be written to the resident regarding the safety concerns and requesting that they seek alternative parking arrangements, however no response had been received and the vehicle continued to park in this location. As a result, in light of the safety concerns and increased risk of an accident the proposal of a pedestrian guard railing had been suggested.
- It was queried whether the installation of a pedestrian guard railing would solve the issue or simply push the problem further down the road.
- In response, it was commented that the parking and safety concern further down the road was not as great as there was less conflict with the turning of the corner.



- It was queried whether a future extension of the double yellow lines further than originally intended may be provide a suitable solution to the parking concerns.
- It was commented that vehicle storage and access may need to be discussed in future with the property owner and the person living in the property if the case may be that the person living in the property rents the property.

RESOLVED – That the Cabinet Member for Parks, Highways & Transport Services be recommended to give approval to the installation of a pedestrian guardrail on Woodford Road next to the A555 access point at a cost of £2,697.49.

#### **14. OBJECTION REPORT FOR FIR ROAD, BRAMHALL - PROPOSED TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER 'NO WAITING AT ANY TIME'**

A representative of the Director of Place Management submitted a joint report on behalf of the Director and Assistant Director – Legal & Democratic Governance (copies of which had been circulated) detailing the objections made in relation to the proposed Traffic Regulation Order 'No Waiting at Any Time' on Fir Road, Bramhall.

Members welcomed the proposals and noted the challenges experienced to reach a suitable resolution in the area.

RESOLVED – That in the light of the objections, the order should be amended as follows:-

#### **Revocations of existing Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) Schedule**

##### **'No Waiting at Any Time'**

##### **Fir Road, Bramhall (East Side)**

From the intersection of the southeast kerb line of Brookdale Road for a distance of 20 metres in a southerly direction.

##### **Fir Road, Bramhall (East Side)**

From the intersection of the northeast kerb line of Waterloo Road for a distance of 17 metres in a northerly direction.

#### **Proposed Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) Schedule**

##### **'No Waiting at Any Time'**

##### **Fir Road, Bramhall (East Side)**

From the intersection of the southeast kerb line of Brookdale Road for a distance of 20 metres in a southerly direction.

##### **Fir Road, Bramhall (East Side)**

From the intersection of the northeast kerb line of Waterloo Road for a distance of 17 metres in a northerly direction.

##### **'Limited Waiting Monday-Friday 8am-9.30am & 3pm-5pm'**

**Fir Road, Bramhall (East Side)**

From a point, 20 metres from the intersection of the southeast kerb line of Brookdale Road to a point, 17 metres from the intersection of the north east kerb line of Waterloo Road.

**Proposed Parking for 'Disabled Badge Holders Only' (all times)**

**Fir Road, Bramhall (West Side)**

From a point, 20 metres south of the intersection of the projected southern kerb line of Waterloo Road for a distance of 6.6 metres in a southerly direction.

**Fir Road, Bramhall (West Side)**

From a point, 22.5 metres north of the intersection of the projected northern kerb line of Waterloo Road for a distance of 6.6 metres in a northerly direction

**15. QUEENSGATE, BRAMHALL - PROPOSED TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER 'NO WAITING AT ANY TIME'**

A representative of the Director of Place Management submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) detailing the findings of a consultation exercise and seeking approval for the introduction of a Traffic Regulation Order.

It was queried whether traffic lights had been considered at the junction.

RESOLVED - That the Cabinet Member for Highways, Parks & Leisure Services be recommended to give approval to the legal advertising of the following Traffic Regulation Orders and, subject to the receipt of no objections within 21 days of the advertisement date, the subsequent making of the orders at a cost of £860 to be funded from the Area Committee's Delegated Budget (Bramhall South & Woodford ward allocation):-

**Revocation of existing TRO Schedule**

**No Waiting at Any Time**

**Queensgate, Bramhall (Both Sides)**

From the easterly kerb line of Woodford Road for a distance of 10 metres in an easterly direction.

**Proposed TRO Schedule**

**No Waiting at Any Time**

**Queensgate, Bramhall (North Side)**

From the intersection of the easterly kerb line of Woodford Road for a distance of 15 metres in an easterly direction.

**Queensgate, Bramhall (South Side)**

From the intersection of the easterly kerb line of Woodford Road for a distance of 20 metres in an easterly direction.

## **16. AREA COMMITTEE WARD HIGHWAY SPOKESPERSONS**

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

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

Bramhall North Ward  
Councillor Mark Jones

Bramhall South & Woodford Ward  
Councillor Ian Powney

Cheadle Hulme South Ward  
Councillor Helen Foster-Grime

## **17. PARK USE APPLICATION - BRAMHALL AND WOODFORD ROTARY CLUB CIRCUS**

A representative of the Assistant Director – Legal and Democratic Governance submitted a report of the Director of Place Management (copies of which had been circulated) detailing an application from Bramhall and Woodford Rotary Club to hold their annual summer Circus at Bramhall Park on 13th August 2023, between the hours of 12:00pm and 6:00pm, with access required from 8:00am until 8:00pm to set up and close down the event.

RESOLVED – That approval be given to an application received from Bramhall and Woodford Rotary Club to hold their annual summer Circus at Bramhall Park on 13th August 2023, between the hours of 12:00pm and 6:00pm, with access required from 8:00am until 8:00pm to set up and close down the event, subject to the event organiser obtaining and providing the relevant paperwork at least 2 weeks prior to the event, including any necessary licences, health and safety documentation, insurance certificates and the payment of agreed fees and charges.

## **18. PROGRESS ON AREA COMMITTEE DECISIONS**

A representative of the Assistant Director – Legal and Democratic Governance submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) providing an update on progress since the last meeting on decisions taken by the Area Committee and detailing the current position on area flexibility funding. The report also included the current position on the highway and traffic management delegated budget.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

The meeting closed at 8.33 pm