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HEATONS & REDDISH AREA COMMITTEE

Meeting: 11 September 2023
At: 6.00 pm

PRESENT

Councillor Holly McCormack (Chair); Councillor Dean Fitzpatrick (Vice-Chair); Councillors Liz Crix, Colin Foster, James Frizzell, Gary Lawson, Dena Ryness, David Sedgwick, John Taylor, Claire Vibert, David Wilson and Rachel Wise.

1. MINUTES

The Minutes (copies of which had been circulated) of the meeting held on 31 July 2023 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair subject to: -

- Minute No. 5 (i) - DC/088470 - 20 Fullerton Road, Heaton Norris – '20 Fullerton Road' in the resolution being amended to correctly read '18 Fullerton Road'.

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 interest was declared:-

Personal Interest

Councillor

Interest

Colin Foster

Agenda item 4 (vi) 'Ward Flexibility Funding – Heaton Norris Community Centre' and Agenda item 4 (vii) 'Ward Flexibility Funding – Stockport Women and Girls' Network' as his spouse was an event organiser at Heaton Norris Community Centre.

3. URGENT DECISIONS

No urgent decisions were reported.

4. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

(i) Chair's Announcements

No announcements were made.

(ii) Neighbourhood Policing

It was reported that the Neighbourhood Police representative (Greater Manchester Police) was unable to attend the meeting, but welcomed any neighbourhood policing questions or issues to be raised.

Members welcomed an update that had been circulated by the Neighbourhood Police representative in advance of the meeting to the Committee members.

The following comments were made/issues raised:

- It was noted that as the Neighbourhood Police representative had been unable to attend previous meetings, members had met with the Neighbourhood Police representative separately and discussed local issues.
- Concern was raised over incidents that involved dogs in the area and it was questioned if more could be done to resolve the issue.

RESOLVED – That the issues raised would be communicated to the Neighbourhood Police representative.

(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.

Two public questions had been submitted in advance of the meeting and full written responses would be communicated to the questioners in due course.

(iv) Petitions

No petitions were submitted.

(v) Open Forum

A representative of the Assistant Director – Legal & Democratic Governance (Monitoring Officer) 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 - Heaton Norris Community Centre

A representative of the Assistant Director for Legal and Democratic Governance submitted an application received on behalf of Heaton Norris Community Centre for a grant of £500 (Reddish South ward allocation only) towards the cost of developing the activities provided at their Feel Good Friday event, including gentle exercise, arts and crafts, tea dances and entertainment, which is available to all residents within the community.

RESOLVED - That approval be given to an application for Ward Flexibility Funding received from Heaton Norris Community Centre for a grant of £500 (Reddish South ward allocation only) towards the cost of developing the activities provided at their Feel Good Friday event, including gentle exercise, arts and crafts, tea dances and entertainment, which is available to all residents within the community.

(vii) Ward Flexibility Funding - Stockport Women and Girls' Network

A representative of the Assistant Director for Legal and Democratic Governance submitted an application received on behalf of Stockport Women and Girls' Network for a grant of £142 (Heatons South ward allocation only) towards the cost of organising an event for Stockport's first celebration of Diwali with local Indian residents, providing activities such as arts and crafts, singing, dancing and educational workshops.

RESOLVED - That approval be given to an application for Ward Flexibility Funding received from Stockport Women and Girls' Network for a grant of £142 (Heatons South ward allocation only) towards the cost of organising an event for Stockport's first celebration of Diwali with local Indian residents, providing activities such as arts and crafts, singing, dancing and educational workshops.

(viii) Ward Flexibility Funding - Heaton Mersey Village Cricket Club

A representative of the Assistant Director for Legal and Democratic Governance submitted an application received on behalf of Heaton Mersey Village Cricket Club for a grant of £999.81 (£249.95 from Heatons North, £249.95 from Heatons South, £249.95 from Reddish South and £249.95 from Reddish North wards allocation) towards the cost of running a family fun day at the end of cricket season, to bring the community together to learn and play cricket. The event will include raffles, African drumming, stalls, and children's entertainment.

RESOLVED - That approval be given to an application for Ward Flexibility Funding received from Heaton Mersey Village Cricket Club for a grant of £999.81 (£249.95 from Heatons North, £249.95 from Heatons South, £249.95 from Reddish South and £249.95 from Reddish North wards allocation) towards the cost of running a family fun day at the end of cricket season, to bring the community together to learn and play cricket. The event will include raffles, African drumming, stalls, and children's entertainment.

5. DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

No development applications were submitted.

6. PLANNING APPEAL, ENFORCEMENT APPEALS AND ENFORCEMENT NOTICES

A representative of the Assistant Director for Legal and Democratic Governance 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.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

7. UPDATE ON THE CONDITION OF REDDISH LIBRARY AND COMMUNITY CENTRE

A representative of the Assistant Director of Estate and Asset Management submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) detailing an update on the ongoing structural condition of the library, community centre and former pool buildings in Reddish.

The following comments were made/issues raised:

- Members commented on the lack of content in the report, but thanked the officer for providing more detail during the presentation of the report.
- Members corrected a few incorrect statements that were made relating to the age of the building and the reasons for its closure in January 2023.
- Concern was raised regarding the need for a long term plan for the building.
- Clarification was sought over how long the building would remain in the current condition and whether the fencing could be removed. In response, it was clarified that the current measures would need to remain in place as the site had become a safety risk and work was underway to determine how much of the building was repairable.
- Members raised the issue of the need for services that would be suitable for the future and it was questioned how this could be achieved.
- It was queried if it would be possible to secure the building and determine a new use at a later date. In response, it was noted that a report would be produced providing the details before a decision could be made.
- Concern was raised relating to ensuring that the building was sustainable.

RESOLVED – (1) That the report be noted.

(2) That the Assistant Director Estate & Asset Management in consultation with the Chair, agrees a way forward and reports back to the Committee with the timescales.

8. MANCHESTER ROAD, HEATON CHAPEL

A representative of the Director of Place Management submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) detailing the proposed introduction of extended 'No Waiting at Any Time' restrictions on Manchester Road in Heaton Chapel.

It was noted that emails from residents in support of the extended 'No Waiting at Any Time' restrictions had been received by members.

RESOLVED – That the Area Committee recommend approval to the Cabinet Member (Parks, Highways & Transport Services) for the legal advertising of the Traffic Regulation Order. Subject to no objections being received within 21 days from the advertisement date the following order can be made:

Extend No Waiting at Any Time:

Manchester Road

North East side from a point 1 metre South East of the (projected) boundary line between No's 320 & 322 in a North Westerly direction for a distance of 48 metres.

9. ACTIVE TRAVEL FUND TRANCHE 2 - LEEGATE ROAD AND PRINCES ROAD TRO

A representative of the Director of Place Management submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) detailing a consultation exercise undertaken recently with regards to the proposed introduction of a 20mph speed limit on Leegate Road and Princes Road funded as part of Active Travel Fund (Tranche 2).

It was queried if it was possible to extend the 20mph speed limit to other parts of the area specifically close to local schools. In response, it was noted that this would be looked into and reported back to the Committee at a future meeting.

RESOLVED – That approval be given to the legal advertising of the Moving Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) set out in Appendix A and subject to no objections being received within 21 days from the advertisement date, the legal order can be made as follows:-

Proposed Moving Traffic Regulation Order (MTRO) Schedule

20mph Speed Limit

Princes Road, Heaton Moor, Stockport (both directions)

From a point 15 metres northeast of its junction with Mauldeth Road in a north easterly direction to its junction with Leegate Road.

Leegate Road, Heaton Moor, Stockport (both directions)

From a point 15 metres from its junction with Mauldeth Road for a distance of 362 metres in an easterly direction.

10. DRAFT EDUCATION CONTRIBUTIONS SPD CONSULTATION

A representative of the Deputy Chief Executive submitted a report (copies of which have been circulated) inviting comments on a Draft Education Contributions Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) from Wednesday 13th September to Wednesday 25th October 2023.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

11. PROGRESS ON AREA COMMITTEE DECISIONS

A representative of the Democratic Services Manager submitted a report (copies of which have been circulated) updating the Area Committee on progress on decisions taken by the Area Committee since the last meeting and the current position on the Area Flexibility and the Delegated budget.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

12. ANNUAL REVIEW OF OUTCOMES TOUR

A representative of the Deputy Chief Executive submitted a report (copies of which have been circulated) which announced the intention to hold the Annual Review of Outcomes on Friday 24th November 2023.

RESOLVED – (1) That two sites be nominated in the following order of priority: -

- (i) The Woodlands, Woodlands Road, Heaton Mersey, SK4 3BN; and
- (ii) "The Chimneys" on Lancashire Hill.

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(2) That Councillor Frizzell be nominated as the delegate to attend.

The meeting closed at 7.56 pm.