

HEATONS & REDDISH AREA COMMITTEE

Meeting: 16 October 2023

At: 6.00 pm

PRESENT

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

1. MINUTES

The Minutes (copies of which had been circulated) of the meeting held on 11 September 2023 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

2. 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 Interest

Councillor

Interest

Rachel Wise	Agenda item 4(vi) - 'Ward Flexibility Funding - Arts Central Youth Theatre Group' as a former pupil of the group, (see Minute 5 (vi) below).
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3. URGENT DECISIONS

No urgent decisions were reported.

4. DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

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 Deputy Chief Executive 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 upon payment of the Council's reasonable charges).

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

(i) DC/089091 - 442 Didsbury Road, Heaton Mersey, SK4 3BS

In respect of plan no. DC/089091 for proposed demolition of garage and replace with a single new dwelling to the rear of and within the current curtilage of 442 Didsbury Rd. New dwelling to face New Beech Rd and private garden area to be split accordingly between the 2 no. dwellings,

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 grant planning permission subject to conditions and a Section 106 Agreement.

5. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

(i) Chair's Announcements

The Chair on behalf of the Area Committee informed the Heatons and Reddish local residents regarding the Reddish Christmas Lights switch on event that was due to take place on the 30 November 2023. All were welcomed to attend the event.

(ii) Neighbourhood Policing

The Chair reported that a representative of Greater Manchester Police had been unable to attend the meeting, but welcomed any neighbourhood policing questions or issues to be raised.

No questions or issues were raised.

(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 were submitted, relating to:

- The temporary closure, for refurbishment, of football pitches at Priestnall Sports facility.

RESOLVED – That the Director of Place Management be requested to respond to the questioner in writing.

(iv) Petitions

Members of the public and community groups were invited to submit any petitions.

One petition was submitted on behalf of Friends of Peel Moat Open Space with 225 signatures, requesting the Council to develop the Peel Moat Open Space astro turf pitch as a Community Green Space.

RESOLVED – That the petition be referred to the Director of Place Management for investigation and response.

(v) Open Forum

In accordance with the Code of Practice no organisation indicated that they wished to address the Area Committee as part of the Open Forum arrangements.

(vi) Ward Flexibility Funding - Arts Central Youth Theatre Group

Sonja Burling attended the meeting and submitted an application received on behalf of Arts Central Youth Theatre Group for a grant of £1400 from the Ward Flexibility Budget (£100 from Heatons North, £150 from Heatons South, £150 from Reddish South and £1000 from Reddish North ward allocation) towards the cost of organising weekly workshops and rehearsals for children for performances in March 2024.

RESOLVED - That approval be given to an application from Arts Central Youth Theatre Group for a grant of £1400 from the Ward Flexibility Budget (£100 from Heatons North, £150 from Heatons South, £150 from Reddish South and £1000 from Reddish North ward allocation) towards the cost of organising weekly workshops and rehearsals for children for performances in March 2024.

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 Heatons and Reddish Area Committee.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

7. GREG STREET, REDDISH

A representative of the Assistant Director for Legal & Democratic Governance submitted a report of the Director for Place Management (copies of which had been circulated) detailing proposals for the introduction of the 'No Waiting at Any Time' restrictions on part of Greg Street in Reddish.

It was commented that the introduction of restrictions would increase the safety of pedestrians and cyclists.

RESOLVED – That approval be given to the legal advertising of the following Traffic Regulation Order and subject to no objections being received within 21 days from the advertisement date, the subsequent making of the orders at a cost of £740 to be funded from the Area Committee's Delegated Budget (Reddish South ward allocation):-

No Waiting at Any Time:

Greg Street

North Eastern side, from a point 9.5 metres South East of the South Eastern kerb line of Wensley Road for a distance of 8 metres in a South Easterly direction (to tie in with existing).

South Western side, from a point 3 metres South East of the (projected) South Eastern kerb line of Wensley Road in a South Easterly direction for a distance of 15 Metres.

8. ROAD SAFETY AROUND SCHOOLS - MERSEY VALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

A representative of the Assistant Director for Legal & Democratic Governance submitted a report of the Director for Place Management (copies of which had been circulated) detailing the findings of a consultation exercise for the Road Safety around Schools scheme for Mersey Primary School and to seek approval for the introduction of Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) and associated signage; implementation of dropped kerbs with tactile paving; pencil bollards; and road markings.

The following comments were made/issues raised:-

- Members welcomed the report and thanked officers for their efforts.
- Concern was expressed relating to the safety of pedestrians and cyclists.
- Members stated that the lack of discussion on the item should not negate from the work that had been done leading up to the report being submitted.

RESOLVED – That approval be given to the package of measures detailed in Section 3 of the report and the legal advertising of the Traffic Regulation Order set out in Appendix A and shown on Drawing No. 0305/69/MV/002 of the report, and subject to no objections being received within 21 days from the advertisement date, the subsequent making of the orders to be funded from the Road Safety around Schools programme budget allocation.

9. SINGLETON ROAD

A representative of the Assistant Director for Legal & Democratic Governance submitted a report of the Director for Place Management (copies of which had been circulated) detailing proposed 'No Waiting at Any Time' restrictions at the junction of Singleton Road and Peel Moat Road in Heaton Moor.

RESOLVED – That approval be given to the legal advertising of the following Traffic Regulation Orders and, subject to no objections being received within 21 days from the advertisement date, the subsequent making of the orders at a cost of £800 to be funded from the Delegated Ward Budget (Heatons North ward allocation):-

No Waiting at Any Time:

Singleton Road

Both sides, from the South Western kerb line of Peel Moat Road for a distance of 10 metres in a South Westerly direction.

Peel Moat Road

South Western side, from a point 10 metres South East of the South Eastern kerb line of Singleton Road in a North Westerly direction to a point 10 metres North West of the North Western kerb line of Singleton Road.

10. APPOINTMENT OF COUNCILLORS TO LAY WREATHS AT REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICES ON 12 NOVEMBER 2023

A representative of the Assistant Director for Legal and Democratic Governance submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) requesting that the Area Committee appoint Councillors to lay wreaths on behalf of the Council at the Remembrance Day Services at Heaton Mersey War Memorial, Reddish War Memorial and at St Paul's Church, Heaton Moor on Sunday 12 November 2023.

RESOLVED – That approval be given to the appointment of the following Councillors to lay wreaths on behalf of the Council at the following sites on Sunday 12 November 2023:-

Heaton Mersey War Memorial	– Councillor Claire Vibert
Reddish War Memorial	– Councillor James Frizzell
St Paul's Church Heaton Moor	– Councillor Dena Ryness

11. PROGRESS ON AREA COMMITTEE DECISIONS

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

The meeting closed at 7.19 pm.