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HEATONS & REDDISH AREA COMMITTEE

Meeting: 22 January 2024

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, David Wilson and Rachel Wise.

1. MINUTES

The Minutes (copies of which had been circulated) of the meeting held on 27 November 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 they had in any of the items on the agenda for the meeting.

The following interests were declared:-

Personal Interests

<u>Councillor</u>	<u>Interest</u>
James Frizzell	Agenda item 4 (ix) – ‘Ward Flexibility Funding – Reddish Men in Sheds’ as a member of the group.
Gary Lawson	Agenda item 4 (viii) – ‘Ward Flexibility Funding – Re:Dish’ by virtue of husband being a trustee of Re:Dish.

3. URGENT DECISIONS

No urgent decisions were reported.

4. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

(i) Chair's Announcements

The Chair on behalf of the Area Committee informed the Heatons and Reddish local residents regarding the improvements to the District Centre including the opening of a new business and the completion of a mural on a local restaurant.

(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.

It was commented that the Neighbourhood Policing team had been contacted regarding the use of mobile phones by drivers on Mill Lane and online footage of an individual who attempted to gain access to parked cars near Houldsworth Mill. The Neighbourhood Policing team had been asked to share advice with residents on how to protect their property.

(iii) Public Question Time

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

One public question was submitted, relating to resident parking issues with a nearby business.

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

(iv) Petitions

No petitions were submitted.

(v) Open Forum

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

(vi) Ward Flexibility Funding - Become United

A representative of the Assistant Director for Legal and Democratic Governance submitted an application received on behalf of Become United for a grant of £500 from the Ward Flexibility Funding Budget (£500 from Reddish South ward allocation) towards the cost of organising a series of teen girl and women's wellbeing sessions, with workshops covering topics such as self-care, mental health, body positivity, healthy relationships, and personal development.

RESOLVED – That the application from Become United for Ward Flexibility Funding Budget on this occasion be declined on the basis that there was limited funding available for the remainder of the year and that funding was being used as payments to Project Manager and Session Leaders.

(vii) Ward Flexibility Funding - Mauldeth Vets Bowling Club

Gail Gregory and Allan Maclardy attended the meeting and submitted an application received on behalf of Mauldeth Vets Bowling Club for a grant of £320 from the Ward Flexibility Funding Budget (£80 from Heatons North, £80 from Heatons South, £80 from Reddish North, £80 from Reddish South ward allocation) towards the cost of establishing a new bowling club, to promote physical and mental well-being of local elderly residents.

RESOLVED – That approval be given to an application from Mauldeth Vets Bowling Club for a grant of £320 from the Ward Flexibility Funding Budget (£80 from Heatons North, £80 from Heatons South, £80 from Reddish North, £80 from Reddish South ward allocation) towards the cost of establishing a new bowling club, to promote physical and mental well-being of local elderly residents.

(viii) Ward Flexibility Funding - Re:dish

Kelly Gaskill attended the meeting and submitted an application received on behalf Re:Dish for a grant of £592 from the Ward Flexibility Funding Budget (£296 from Reddish North, £296 from Reddish South ward allocation) towards the cost of the installation of a community notice board to increase visibility and allow residents to stop and view information without causing an obstruction.

RESOLVED - That approval be given to an application from Re:Dish for a grant of £592 from the Ward Flexibility Funding Budget (£296 from Reddish North, £296 from Reddish South ward allocation) towards the cost of the installation of a community notice board to increase visibility and allow residents to stop and view information without causing an obstruction.

(ix) Ward Flexibility Funding - Reddish Men in Sheds

Mary Lorgian attended the meeting and submitted an application received on behalf Reddish Men In Sheds for a grant of £749.87 from the Ward Flexibility Funding Budget (£374.93 from Reddish North, £374.94 from Reddish South ward allocation) towards the cost of increasing facilities for bike maintenance as requests for membership has increased and to purchase workbenches and bike storage docks.

RESOLVED - That approval be given to an application from Reddish Men In Sheds for a grant of £749.87 from the Ward Flexibility Funding Budget (£374.93 from Reddish North, £374.94 from Reddish South ward allocation) towards the cost of increasing facilities for bike maintenance as requests for membership has increased and to purchase workbenches and bike storage docks.

5. DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

No development applications were submitted.

6. APPEAL DECISIONS, CURRENT PLANNING APPEALS AND ENFORCEMENTS

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. ONE STOCKPORT: ONE FUTURE UPDATE

A representative of the Assistant Director for Legal and Democratic Governance submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) providing an update on the One Stockport: One Future work.

The following comments were made/issues raised:-

- No matter where they are located in the borough residents should have access to green spaces as the importance this has on life expectancy was key.
- All cycle lanes in the borough could be joined together to make cycling a safer and more appealing option.
- The largest obstacle to the implementation of the suggestions in the report would be obtaining funding and resources.
- The report should not follow a 'one size fits all' approach as not all residents would want the same outcomes.
- Tackling inequality in the borough should be key to the One Stockport: One Future work.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

8. NEIGHBOURHOODS AND PREVENTION PROGRAMME

A representative of the Assistant Director for Legal and Democratic Governance submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) describing the Neighbourhoods and Prevention Programme.

The following comments were made/issues raised:-

- The report was useful and had a strong focus on prevention in relation to public health and acknowledges barriers.
- It was noted that the programmes suggestion to bring services together would limit the amount of time residents would need to invest to locate the correct service.
- It was queried if housing associations would be involved in the programme. In response it was stated that housing associations would and that Stockport Homes Group was very involved in the programme.

RESOLVED – (1) That the report be noted.

(2) That further updates on the general progress of the programme be provided at a frequency of six months and that updates specific to Heatons and Reddish be provided at a frequency determined by officers.

9. CORONATION STREET, RALEIGH STREET & WESTON STREET, REDDISH

A representative of the Assistant Director for Legal and Democratic Governance submitted a report detailing a revision of the Traffic Regulation Orders (TRO's) on Coronation Street, Raleigh Street and Weston Street in Reddish.

RESOLVED – That approval be given to the legal advertising of the following Traffic Regulation Orders as shown in Appendix A and, subject to no objections being received within 21 days from the advertisement date, the subsequent making of the orders at a cost of £850 to be funded from the Delegated Ward Budget:-

Revoke No Waiting at Any Time:

Raleigh Street

North West side from a point 10 metres North East of the North Eastern kerb line of Coronation Street in a North Easterly direction to the South Western kerb line of Weston Street (a distance of approx. 23 metres).

Weston Street

South West side from the North Western kerb line of Raleigh Street for a distance of 13 metres in a North Westerly direction.

Revoke No Waiting Monday to Saturday 7am – 7pm

Weston Street

North East side from a point 6 metres South East of the South Eastern kerb line of Conway Street for a distance of 15 metres in a South Easterly direction.

Introduce No Waiting at Any Time:

Coronation Street

South Western side from and including the South Eastern kerb line of the entrance to Bankside Business Park for a distance of 15 metres in a South Easterly direction.

10. HOULDSWORTH PARK - WARD DISCRETIONARY BUDGET

A representative of the Assistant Director for Legal and Democratic Governance submitted a report setting out a request for the allocation of £7,000 from the Ward Discretionary Budget towards play area improvements and the full scope of improvement works at Houldsworth Park.

It was commented that members were pleased that the equipment proposed would be accessible to children of all mobility levels.

RESOLVED – That the Cabinet Member for Finance & Resources be recommended to approve the request for £7,000 from the Ward Discretionary Budget towards play area improvements and the full scope of improvement works at Houldsworth Park.

11. REDDISH VALE COUNTRY PARK - WARD DISCRETIONARY BUDGET

A representative of the Assistant Director for Legal and Democratic Governance submitted a report setting out a request for the allocation of £4,500 from the Ward Discretionary

Budget to cover part of the cost of excavation and replanting of Emma's Pond in Reddish Vale Country Park.

Members welcomed the restoration of the pond and commented that it would be of great benefit to residents of all ages, the nature restoration was very important and that the project supported the Council's Climate Action plan.

RESOLVED – That the Cabinet Member for Finance & Resources be recommended to approve the request for £4,500 from the Ward Discretionary Budget to cover part of the cost of excavation and replanting of Emma's Pond in Reddish Vale Country Park.

12. GRAFTON STREET PLAY AREA DISCRETIONARY WARD BUDGET

A representative of the Assistant Director for Legal and Democratic Governance submitted a report setting out a request for the allocation of £5,000 from the Ward Discretionary Budget to provide new accessible swings at Grafton Street Park.

Members welcomed the report and thanked the officers for the support to collate the information.

RESOLVED - That the Cabinet Member for Finance & Resources be recommended to approve the request for £5,000 from the Ward Discretionary Budget to provide new accessible swings at Grafton Street Park.

13. PROGRESS ON AREA COMMITTEE DECISIONS

A representative of the Assistant Director for Legal & Democratic Governance submitted a report (copies of which had 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.

Members were informed that following feedback on the Ward Flexibility Funding process relating to application forms and borough wide applications that the process would be reviewed by Democratic Services.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

The meeting closed at 19.37pm.