

BRAMHALL & CHEADLE HULME SOUTH AREA COMMITTEE

Meeting: 20 June 2024

At: 6.30 pm

PRESENT

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

1. ELECTION OF CHAIR

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

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.

Councillor Ian Powney (Vice-Chair) in the chair

3. MINUTES

The Minutes (copies of which had been circulated) of the meeting held on 18 April 2024 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.

No declarations of interest were made.

5. URGENT DECISIONS

No urgent decisions were reported.

6. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

(i) Chair's Announcements

The Chair announced that Bramhall Village Square was due to host a summer festival on Saturday, 29 June from 11.00 am. It was further announced that a Worker Bee Market was also due to be held on 13 July 2024 in Bramhall Village Square and that a Food and Groove event was also due to be held there on 27 July 2024.

(ii) Neighbourhood Policing

It was reported that a representative of Greater Manchester Police had been unable to attend the meeting.

(iii) Public Question Time

No public questions were submitted.

(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 - Odyssey Art Academy

A representative of Odyssey Art Academy attended the meeting and submitted an application for a grant of £300 towards the cost of supporting a community project aimed at empowering and uplifting marginalized individuals in the community by providing the asylum seekers, refugees, vulnerable and diverse people with educational opportunities, training sessions, and support networks to help them integrate into society and enhance their quality of life.

RESOLVED – That approval be given to an application from Odyssey Art Academy for a grant of £300 from the Ward Flexibility Funding budget (£100 from each ward allocation) towards the cost of supporting a community project aimed at empowering and uplifting marginalized individuals in the community by providing the asylum seekers, refugees, vulnerable and diverse people with educational opportunities, training sessions, and support networks to help them integrate into society and enhance their quality of life.

(vii) Ward Flexibility Funding - Friends of Ladybrook Valley

A representative of Friends of Ladybrook Valley attended the meeting and submitted an application for a grant of £370 towards the cost of purchasing and installing an “Interest Trail” in Happy Valley that will include eight posts with attached QR code plaques being installed in places of interest around the valley.

RESOLVED - That approval be given to an application from the Friends of Ladybrook Valley for a grant of £370 from the Ward Flexibility Funding budget (Bramhall North ward allocation only) towards the cost of purchasing and installing an “Interest Trail” in Happy Valley that will include eight posts with attached QR code plaques being installed in places of interest around the valley, subject to the Cabinet Member for Finance & Resources giving approval to a virement from the Ward Discretionary Budget to the Ward Flexibility Funding Budget.

(viii) Ward Flexibility Funding - Come And Meet Each Other (CAMEO)

RESOLVED - That consideration of this item be deferred to a future meeting of the Area Committee pending the attendance of the applicant.

(ix) Ward Flexibility Funding - Disability Opportunities in Sport UK (DOSportUK) CIC

RESOLVED - That consideration of this item be deferred to a future meeting of the Area Committee pending the attendance of the applicant.

7. 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 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. 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 for Legal & Democratic Governance outlined the procedure for public speaking on planning applications.

(i) DC/088660: Blossoms K & C Ltd Kennels, Blossoms Lane, Woodford, Stockport, SK7 1RE

In respect of plan no. DC/088660 for the demolition of existing buildings and erection of 8 dwellings at Blossoms K & C Ltd Kennels, Blossoms Lane, Woodford,

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 view of the Area Committee's concerns in relation to the impact of the proposed development on highway safety.

8. PLANNING APPEAL, ENFORCEMENT APPEALS AND ENFORCEMENT NOTICES

A representative of the Assistant Director for 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. WARD DISCRETIONARY BUDGET - CHEADLE HULME SOUTH

A representative of the Assistant Director for Legal & Democratic Governance submitted a report of the Director of Place Management (copies of which had been circulated) detailing a request for the allocation of Discretionary Ward Budget (Cheadle Hulme South) towards items of fixed play equipment in Oak Meadow Park.

RESOLVED - That the Cabinet Member for Finance & Resources be recommended to give approval to the allocation of £8,700 from the Ward Discretionary Budget (Cheadle Hulme South ward allocation) as a contribution towards the installation of a new play equipment in Oak Meadow Park.

10. PARK USE APPLICATION - HESKETH PARK BBQ 21/09/2024

A representative of the Assistant Director for Legal & Democratic Governance submitted a report of the Director of Place Management (copies of which had been circulated) detailing an application received from Friends of Hesketh Park to hold their annual community BBQ on Saturday, 21 September 2024 between the hours of 12.30 pm until 3.30 pm, with access required from 10.00 am until 4.30 pm.

RESOLVED – That the application be granted 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, a satisfactory traffic management plan and the payment of agreed fees and charges.

11. VIREMENT OF FUNDS FROM THE WARD DISCRETIONARY BUDGET TO THE WARD FLEXIBILITY FUNDING BUDGET

A representative of the Assistant Director for Legal & Democratic Governance submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) outlining a proposal for the virement of funds from the Ward Discretionary Budget to the Ward Flexibility Budget.

RESOLVED - That the Cabinet Member for Finance & Resources be recommended to give approval to a virement of £370 from the Ward Discretionary Budget to the Ward Flexibility Budget (Bramhall North ward allocation).

12. 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 – (1) That the following Councillors be appointed as Ward Spokespersons for highways and traffic issues:-

Bramhall North - Councillor Mark Jones
Cheadle Hulme South - Councillor Helen Foster-Grime

(2) That consideration of the appointment of Highway Ward Spokesperson for the Bramhall South & Woodford ward be deferred to the next meeting of the Area Committee.

13. 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 7.41 pm