

MARPLE AREA COMMITTEE

Meeting: 25 September 2013

At: 6.00 pm

PRESENT

Councillor Martin Candler (Chair) in the chair; Councillor Kevin Dowling (Vice-Chair);
Councillors Shan Alexander, Andrew Bispham, Susan Ingham and Craig Wright

1. MINUTES

The Minutes (copies of which had been circulated) of the meeting held on 7 August 2013 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

3. URGENT DECISIONS

No urgent decisions were reported.

4. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

(i) Chair's Announcements

The Chair reported with the regret the recent death of Ray Brooks, former Chair of Compstall Community Council. He further reported on (i) the Marple Food and Drink festival which had been a great success (ii) that United Utilities would be carrying out drainage works on Otterspool Road throughout 2014 which would cause major disruption and that traffic services officers and representatives of United Utilities would be invited to attend the next meeting of the Area Committee to report on this matter and (iii) the progression of the Chadwick Street development.

(ii) Public Question Time

No public questions were submitted.

(iii) Public Realm

Rachel Bingham (Public Realm Service) attended the meeting to report on current issues and to answer questions from Councillors and members of the public in relation to highway and environmental quality issues within the area represented by the Marple Area Committee.

The following comments were made/issues raised:-

- The monthly and quarterly gulley cleansing inspections had been completed in Marple North and the team were currently progressing in Marple South.

- Resurfacing works on Station Road and Brookside Road were complete were now complete.
- The paving stones on Town Street had been repaired.
- Overgrown vegetation on Glossop Road and in High Lane.
- United Utilities were carrying out emergency works on Marple Road following a burst water main.
- The road surface on Rose Lane, Marple was in an appalling state and Councillors suggested that the Executive Councillor (Economic Development & Regeneration) consider funding improvements to the road as a matter of urgency.
- The pavements outside 18 Cromwell Avenue were in need of repair.
- Damage to a lamp post on Station Road following the recent resurfacing works.
- The manhole cover on Sunwell Terrace was still surcharging – exploratory works remained on going.
- The pavement on Derwent Drive required attention as it was a health and Safety concern particularly for elderly residents.
- The potential adoption of the footway near Cromwell Avenue and Marple Hall Drive.

RESOLVED – That Rachel Bingham be thanked for her attendance and the Corporate Director for Place Management and Regeneration in consultation with the Executive Councillor (Economic Development and Regeneration) be requested to investigate as a matter of urgency addressing the major concerns with the road surface on Rose Lane, Marple.

(iv) Petitions

No petitions were submitted.

(v) Open Forum

No organisation had indicated that they wished to address the Area Committee as part of the Open Forum arrangements.

(vi) Area Flexibility Funding

A representative of the Democratic Services Manager circulated a number of applications for Area Flexibility Funding (copies of which had been circulated) as follows:-

(a) Stockport Canal Boat Trust/New Horizons

RESOLVED – That the Democratic Services Manager be requested to make a grant of £300 to the Stockport Canal Boat Trust/New Horizons towards the purchase of a new propeller. (£200 Marple South ward; £100 Marple North ward)

(b) Friends of Strines Station Group

RESOLVED – That the Democratic Services Manager be requested to make a grant of £420 to the Friends of Strines Station Group towards improvements at the Station (Marple South ward allocation)

(c) Marple Bridge Association

RESOLVED – That the Democratic Services Manager be requested to make a grant of £500 to the Marple Bridge Association towards the purchase of a Marquee (to be divided equally between the two wards)

5. 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 and 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 Services to Place Directorate upon payment of the Council's reasonable charges).

(i) DC05785 - 38 Moor End Road, Mellor

In respect of plan no.52785 for part demolition of existing building used as a garage and it's rebuilding to allow its continued use as a garage/store/workshop at 38 Moor End Road, Mellor

a member of the public spoke against the application and the applicant spoke in support of the application

it was then

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

(ii) DC053011 - Brownlow Road, Sandhill Lane, Marple Bridge

In respect of plan no. 53011 an application to increase the ridge height to form two storey dwelling to include two storey front and side extensions plus dormer windows to new roof at Brownlow, Sandhill Lane, Marple Bridge,

the applicant's agent spoke in support of the application

it was then

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

(iii) DC053273 - Mellor Primary School, Knowle Road, Mellor

In respect of plan no. 53272 for extension and decked areas to northern elevation of existing of school building at Mellor Primary School, Knowle Road, Mellor, it was

RESOLVED – That the Planning and Highway Regulation Committee be recommended to grant planning permission.

6. APPEAL DECISIONS, CURRENT PLANNING APPEALS AND ENFORCEMENTS

A representative of the Council Solicitor submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) listing any outstanding or recently determined planning appeals and enforcements within the area represented by Marple Area Committee.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

7. USE OF COMMUTED SUMS IN THE MARPLE AREA

A representative of the Democratic Services Manager submitted a report of the Corporate Director for Place Management and Regeneration (copies of which had been circulated) requesting the Area Committee to give consideration to the spending of commuted sums for play provision in a number of locations in the Marple Area Committee area.

RESOLVED – (1) That approval be given to the spending of commuted sums for play provision as follows:-

Mellor Recreation Ground - £501.93
Mellor Recreation Ground - £1673.10
Marple Memorial Park - £2175.03
Marple Memorial Park - £669.24
Hawk Green Play Area - £669.24
Hawk Green Play Area - £10,880.17
Cromwell Avenue Play Area - £669.24
Marple Memorial Park - £552.19
Cote Green Open Space - £836.55
Strines Recreation Ground - £836.55

(2) That the Corporate Director for Place Management and Regeneration be requested to investigate the possibility of spending part of the commuted sums currently earmarked for the Cromwell Road Play Area (£20,223.63 and £11,094.20) in the Mount Drive Play Area and submit a report to a future meeting.

8. APPOINTMENT OF COUNCILLORS TO LAY WREATHS AT REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICES ON 10 NOVEMBER 2013

A representative of the Democratic Services Manager submitted a report of (copies of which had been circulated) requesting the Area Committee to appoint Councillors to lay wreaths at the Remembrance Day Services at Compstall, High Lane, Marple and Mellor War Memorials on Sunday 10 November 2013.

RESOLVED – That the following Councillors be nominated to lay wreaths at the Memorial Services indicated:-

Compstall – Councillor Andrew Bispham

High Lane – Councillor Kevin Dowling

Marple – Councillor Sue Ingham

Mellor – Councillor Andrew Bispham

9. NOMINATION OF AUTHORITY GOVERNORS

A representative of the Democratic Services Manager submitted a report of the Service Director (Education) (copies of which had been circulated) requesting the Area Committee to exercise its delegated powers to make nominations to the vacancies at Windlehurst School, St Mary's RC Marple Bridge and Marple Hall School.

RESOLVED – That the Executive Councillor (Lifelong Learning & Achievement) be recommended to approve the following nomination

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Party Affiliation</u>
Mrs E Scroggie	Windlehurst	N/A - Independent

10. PROGRESS ON AREA COMMITTEE DECISIONS

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

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

11. CROSS LANE, MARPLE

A representative of the Democratic Services Manager submitted a report of the Corporate Director for Place Management and Regeneration (copies of which had been circulated) requesting the Area Committee to approve the revocation and introduction of a number of traffic regulation orders on Cross Lane, Marple.

RESOLVED – (1) That the following be approved to be funded by the Developer as part of the agreed planning permission:-

Revoke No Stopping Monday to Friday 8am-5pm on School Markings:-

Cross Lane

South East side from a point 47 metres North East of the North Easterly kerb line of Eastwood Drive for a distance of 25 metres in a North Easterly direction.

Revoke No Waiting Monday to Friday 8.30-9.30am & 3.00 – 4.30pm:-

Cross Lane

North West side from a point 25 metres North West of the North Westerly kerb line of Eastwood Drive for a distance of 90 metres in a North Easterly direction.

South East side from a point 25 metres North East of the North Easterly kerb line of Eastwood Drive for a distance of 22 metres in a North Easterly direction; from a point 72 metres North East of the North Easterly kerb line of Eastwood Drive for a distance of 44 metres in a North Easterly direction.

Introduce No Waiting at Any Time:

Cross Lane

South East side from a point 23 metres North East of the North Easterly kerb line of Eastwood Drive for a distance of 27 metres in a North Easterly direction; from a point 69 metres North East of the North Easterly kerb line of Eastwood Drive for a distance of 47 metres in a North Easterly direction.

North West side from a point 76 metres North East of the North Easterly kerb line of Eastwood Drive for a distance of 10 metres in a North Easterly direction.

(2) That the Corporate Director for Place Management and Regeneration be requested to ensure that all signage associated with the former Peacefield School be removed from the highway.

The meeting closed at 6.57 pm