

MELBOURNE AREA MEETING

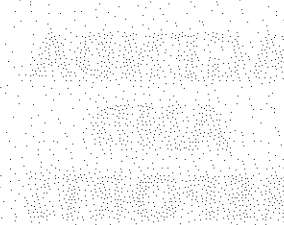
AGENDA AND REPORTS

TUESDAY, 21ST JANUARY 2003

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HIGH STREET,
MELBOURNE**

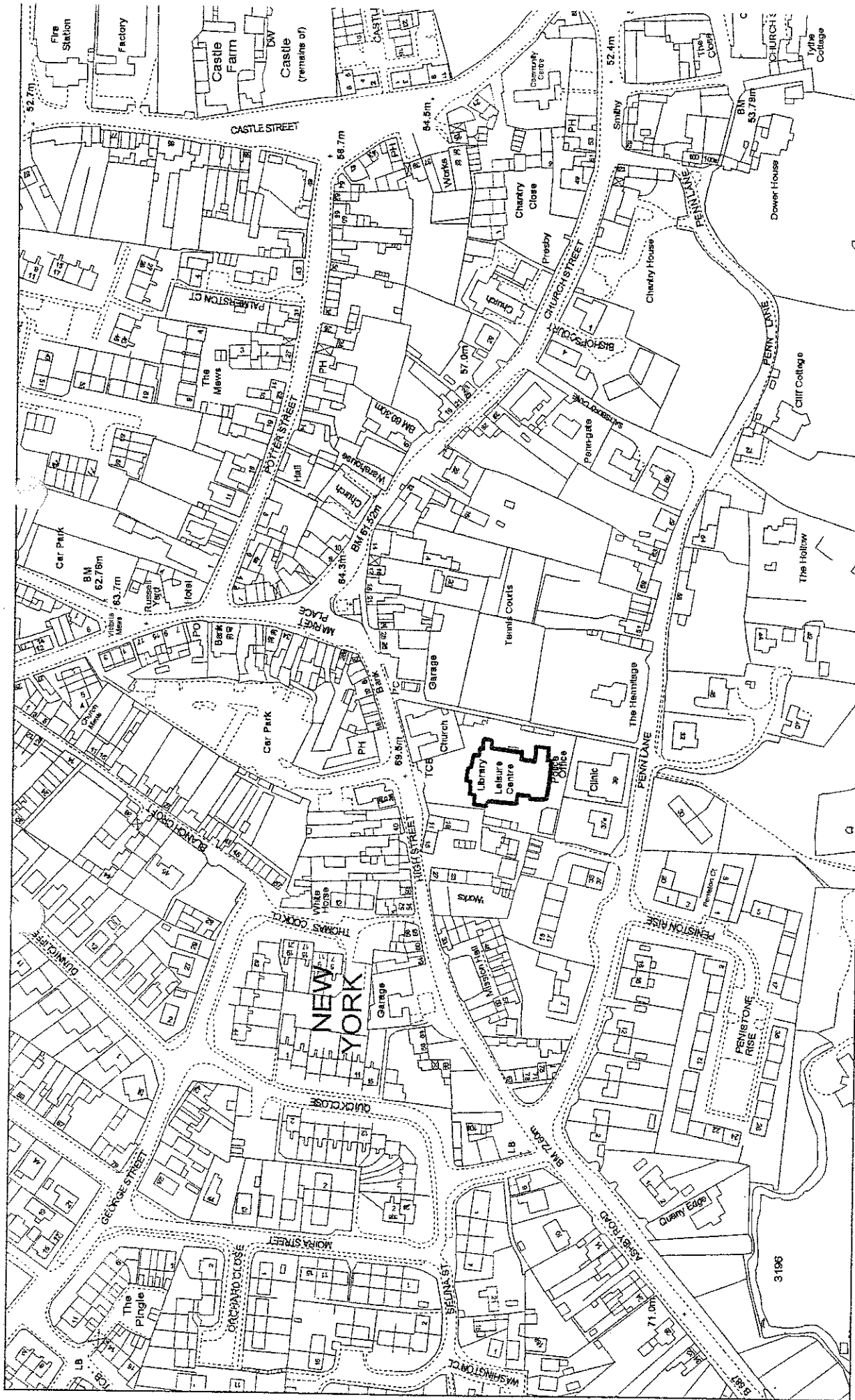
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE



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MATTER OF

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER



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South Derbyshire District Council Estates Management

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MELBOURNE AREA MEETING

(Covering Aston-on-Trent, Barrow-on-Trent, Calke, Elvaston, Foremark, Ingleby,
Melbourne, Shardlow & Great Wilne, Smisby, Stanton-by-Bridge,
Stenson Fields, Swarkestone, Ticknall, Twyford & Stenson and Weston-on-Trent)

**Meeting to be held at the
Bill Shone Leisure Centre,
High Street,
Melbourne
on Tuesday, 21st January 2003
at 7.00 p.m.**

(Light Refreshments will be available at 6.30 p.m.)

Members:

District Councillors: Councillor Carroll (Chair) and Councillors Brooks (Vice-Chair), and
Councillors Harrison, Pabla, Mrs. Robbins and Shepherd.

County Councillor: Councillor Harrison.



BUSINESS

1. Apologies for absence.
2. To note the Minutes of the Meeting held on 15th October 2002 (copy herewith).
3. Chair's Announcements (if any).
4. Report back on issues raised at the last Meeting and outstanding issues from the Meeting held on 31st July 2002.
5. Public Question time and suggestions for future local discussion items.
6. Date of Next Meeting.

Community Items

7. Presentation by the Primary Care Trust
8. Budget Consultation.

MELBOURNE AREA MEETING

15th October 2002

PRESENT:-

District Council Representatives

Councillor Carroll (Chair), Councillor Brooks (Vice-Chair) and Councillors Harrison, Pabla and Shepherd.
T. Neaves (Chief Finance Officer), S. Batchelor (Community and Leisure Development Manager), P. Spencer (Democratic Services) and B. Jones (Helpdesk).

Derbyshire County Council Representative

Councillor Harrison.

Parish Council Representatives

F. Mitchell (Elvaston Parish Council), L. South (Smisby Parish Council), I. Baker (Stenson Fields Parish Council) and V. Shaw (Weston-on-Trent Parish Council).

Derbyshire Constabulary

Sergeant M. Gahagan.

East Midlands Airport

Councillor B. Whyman and N. Robinson.

Members of the Public

F. Briggs, M. Briggs, R. Dennis, K. Cleghorn, P. Heap, K. Hewell, S. Madeley, P. Watson and A. Williams.

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence from the Meeting were received from Councillor Mrs. Robbins and Mr. F. McArdle (South Derbyshire District Council), representatives of Aston-on-Trent Parish Council, C. Barker (Barrow-on-Trent Parish Council), J. Thompson (Ingleby Parish Meeting) and R. Saxby.

MA/11. **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Area Meeting held on 31st July 2002 were noted. The Clerk advised that under Minute No. MA/5, the issue raised by Mr. Mitchell of Elvaston Parish Council related to Ambaston Lane rather than the village of Ambaston.

MA/12. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME AND SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE LOCAL DISCUSSION ITEMS**

The Chair invited questions on policing matters to Sergeant Mark Gahagan. A complaint was made about the failure of the Derbyshire Constabulary to respond to a reported motoring offence on the Kwik Save car park at Barrowwash, Derby. Regrettably, this area was not covered by the Swadlincote Station, so it was difficult for the Officer to respond. The Police had a complaints procedure which residents could use if they felt they had not received the required level of service.

Mr. Bates of Stenson Fields Parish Council explained that this part of South Derbyshire was policed by the Littleover Division. He praised the beat officer initiative, but explained the concerns of residents following the withdrawal of the area's beat officer. No suitable replacement had been provided and crime statistics were increasing. Councillor Pabla shared the concerns and spoke of the efforts to remedy this situation. Sergeant Gahagan advised that during the Divisional Review of the Constabulary, it was decided to police this area from the Littleover Division. He agreed to refer back the comments raised and it was further agreed to write to Chief Superintendent Tony Hurrell to seek the resolution of this matter.

There was a discussion on the policing arrangements for the north eastern parishes of the District and particularly the fact that the Aston beat officer was providing cover for the adjacent Melbourne area. Sergeant Gahagan explained that there was a variation in workloads for individual beat officers. The Constabulary felt that the officer concerned could continue to provide adequate cover for the Aston Ward and valuable assistance to the adjacent, busier Melbourne Ward. Comment was also made by a resident on the precepting arrangements for the Constabulary. Sergeant Gahagan was thanked for his attendance.

MA/13. **EAST MIDLANDS AIRPORT**

The Chair introduced Barrie Whyman, Leader of the South Derbyshire District Council who was also Chair of the Airport's independent consultative forum. He was accompanied by Neil Robinson, the Airport's Divisional Standards Manager for the Environment. Councillor Whyman explained that the independent forum comprised some forty people and he gave an outline of its composition and the wide range of issues under its consultative remit. The most emotive issue considered by the group was environmental impact and particularly the noise from night flights. Councillor Whyman felt that the Airport went to endless lengths to respond to community concerns and he invited questions from the floor.

Information was sought on the forum's role and Neil Robinson explained that whilst it was a consultative forum, Airport Directors attended each Meeting and any issues raised were dealt with. The accuracy of aircraft flight records was questioned and Mr. Robinson explained the radar tracking system employed, coupled to a comprehensive records system. Data was held on every flight from the Airport indefinitely and print-outs could be provided showing the statistics for any particular flight. Residents were invited to see the system in operation.

Comment was made on the problems caused by noisy night-time flights, particularly from one freight operator. It was noted that the company in question had recently acquired some 46 newer, quieter aircraft.

Questions were then submitted on the height profiles of aircraft approaching and departing from the Airport. Mr. Robinson confirmed that approximately twice as many noise complaints were received regarding aircraft departures compared to those for aircraft travelling to the Airport. He explained that pilots were encouraged to adopt a specific approach method to minimise noise disruption. A number of residents felt that, despite the statistics provided, noise nuisance was worse from aircraft approaching the Airport.

The key issue was that residents were disturbed and this message was noted by Mr. Robinson. However, there was a difficult balance for the Airport between the thriving commercial operation and the imposition of controls to minimise disruption to the Airport's neighbours.

Specific complaints were voiced by residents of Weston-on-Trent, where aircraft noise set off vehicle alarms and regarding the number of night-time training flights. Mr. Robinson spoke of the restrictions imposed in recent years to limit the number of training flights. A complaint was made to Councillor Whyman that the District Council had not responded to correspondence about noise nuisance from aircraft. Councillor Whyman requested that in future such correspondence be marked for his attention.

A resident displayed a copy of the Government's consultation on future air transport development. The potential implications for the area were significant and questions were posed on the development proposals for the East Midlands Airport. Mr. Robinson commented that the Government's consultation provided the opportunity for the public's views to be expressed. The Airport would make its own submission in due course and Mr. Robinson explained the current planning consent being sought to extend the runway. In the medium term, further developments were planned to extend the terminal building to accommodate the increasing use of the Airport. A consultation meeting was to be held at the Thistle Hotel adjacent to the East Midlands Airport the following week. Most residents seemed unaware of this consultation meeting and questioned the publicity that had been provided. A further consultation meeting with the South Derbyshire Member of Parliament, Mark Todd would be held at the Melbourne Leisure Centre on 15th November. Information was provided on how people could obtain copies of the Consultation Document.

County Councillor Harrison spoke about the Government's consultation document and an associated questionnaire. Councillor Whyman had attended four conferences about the air transport development proposals and explained that civil servants had worked on these proposals for some four years. He felt that this was a genuine consultation and that the Government wanted to receive public feedback. Councillor Whyman then referred to the increase in aircraft movements and the overall reduction in the number of noise complaints received. Statistics were submitted to the independent forum and examples were quoted for the period February to April 2002. Whilst these did not excuse any public disturbance, he hoped that the information gave a wider context.

Further complaints and questions were submitted regarding noisy night-time flights and it was requested that such aircraft be prohibited and the Airport enforce the use of quieter aircraft. Mr. Robinson confirmed that the freight operator referred to earlier in the Meeting intended to replace its remaining 727 aircraft in the next 12 to 18 month period.

Mrs. Shaw of Weston-on-Trent Parish Council questioned the accuracy of data included in responses to complaint letters and whether the Airport admitted its mistakes. In some cases, the Airport had refused to reply to correspondence and residents had stopped making complaints as they felt that no action was taken. Mr. Robinson responded that on some occasions, nothing further could be added to the correspondence exchanged. A comment was made about the employment opportunities provided by the

freight operators located at the East Midlands Airport. Whilst it was not for the Airport to discuss this company's employment arrangements, it was understood that there was always a significant response to any vacancies.

The Chair thanked Councillor Barrie Whyman and Neil Robinson for their attendance and hoped that the information provided had been useful to residents. Councillor Whyman thanked Mr. Robinson for his attendance and Mr. Robinson made an offer to attend further Meetings in the future.

MA/14. **CRIME AND DISORDER INITIATIVES**

The Area Meeting received a presentation from Stuart Batchelor, the Council's Community and Leisure Development Manager. He spoke to a circulated handout "Reducing Crime in our Community". The vision for a safe South Derbyshire would be achieved through partnership working between the range of local authorities, Police, Health, other statutory bodies, voluntary organisations and the business sector. The community would also be encouraged to take action itself to reduce criminal and anti-social behaviour.

The Crime and Disorder Act had placed a statutory responsibility on authorities to work in partnership to reduce crime and disorder through the production of a strategy every three years. The 2002 to 2005 Strategy had identified six main priority areas which were outlined together with their respective three year targets. The literature showed the South Derbyshire Crime and Disorder Partnership structure and a table was submitted outlining current activity being undertaken by each of the action teams.

As discussed earlier in the Meeting, the Parish of Stenson Fields was policed from a Derby Division. A question was submitted about the community engagement initiative, the pilot schemes in operation and a request was made for the inclusion of Stenson Fields. Councillor Pabla stressed that Stenson Fields was part of South Derbyshire and should be included within crime and disorder initiatives. The sentiments were echoed by the Chair.

Mr. Mitchell explained that part of the Elvaston Parish was also policed from a Derby Division and for that Boulton Moor area, crime rates were approximately seven times as high as for the rest of the Parish. Stuart Batchelor spoke about the known "hot spots" throughout the District and the efforts of the Constabulary to reduce incidences of crime. Overall there was satisfaction with the beat officer initiative, but Mr. Batchelor commented on the particular problems in the Derby City area and assured residents that the Council would work with the Merrill Police Station on pursuing crime and disorder initiatives. Mr. Batchelor was thanked for the presentation.

MA/15. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next Melbourne Area Meeting would be held on 21st January 2003 at the Melbourne Leisure Centre in High Street, Melbourne.

Due to a power failure the remaining items on this agenda would be carried forward to the next Meeting and residents were asked to pass any urgent issues to their respective Ward Councillor.

J. CARROLL

CHAIR

The Meeting terminated at 8.45 p.m.

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Tuesday, 21st January 2003

REPORT BACK ON ISSUES RAISED AT THE LAST MEETING

Due to the power failure during the last Area Meeting it was not possible to report progress on two issues outstanding from the Meeting held on 31st July 2002. These issues are listed below, together with an issue from the last Meeting held on 15th October 2002 and the progress made to date:-

ISSUES	PROGRESS	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER
1. Highway Issues.	County Councillor Harrison has pursued the various highway issues raised at the July Meeting and will provide an update.	Councillor Harrison
2. Problems caused through ragwort.	A letter was sent to Derbyshire County Council's Environmental Services Department to report residents' concerns. An update will be provided.	Chief Executive (P. Spencer)
3. Beat Officer – Stenson Fields.	Wrote to Chief Supt. Tony Hurrell to report the concerns raised. An update will be provided.	Chief Executive (P. Spencer)

