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Date: 10 January 2024

Dear Councillor

Council

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to attend the Meeting of the **Council** to be held at **Council Chamber**, Civic Offices, Civic Way, Swadlincote on **Thursday, 18 January 2024** at **18:00** to transact the business set out on the attached agenda.

Yours faithfully,

Chief Executive

To:-

Labour Group

Councillor S Bambrick (Chair) and Councillor M Gee (Vice-Chair) Councillors A Archer, J Carroll, S Harrison, A Haynes, I Hudson, J Jackson, A Jones, G Jones, L Mulgrew, M Mulgrew, R Pearson, D Pegg, V Redfern, G Rhind, D Shepherd, L Singh, K Storey, B Stuart, S Taylor, A Tilley, and N Tilley.

Conservative Group

Councillors N Atkin, D Corbin, M Fitzpatrick, M Ford, K Haines, A Kirke, J Lowe, S Meghani, D Muller and P Watson.

Liberal Democrats

Councillors G Andrew and J Davies.

<u>Non-Grouped</u> Councillor A Wheelton.



AGENDA

Open to Public and Press

1	Apologies	
2	To confirm the Open Minutes of the Meetings held on:	
	16 January 2020	6 - 11
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3	To note any declarations of interest arising from any items on the Agenda	
4	To receive any announcements from the Chair, Leader and Head of Paid Service.	
5	To receive any questions by members of the public pursuant to Council Procedure Rule No. 10.	
6	To receive any questions by Members of the Council pursuant to Council Procedure Rule No. 11.	
7	To consider any notices of motion in order of which they have been received.	
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To review the compositions of Committees, Sub-Committees and	

Working Panels.

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13 To review the compositions of Substitute Panels.

- **14** To review representation on Outside Bodies.
- **15** To review Member Champions.
- 16 The Chairman may therefore move:-

That in accordance with Section 100 (A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraph of Part I of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in the header to each report on the Agenda.

17 To confirm the Exempt Minutes of the Council Meeting held on:16th January 2020

02 November 2023

- **18** To receive any exempt questions by Members of the Council pursuant to Council Procedure Rule No. 11.
- **19** To receive and consider the Exempt Minutes of the following Committee meetings:

Finance and Management Committee 09 January 2020 Housing and Community Services Committee 17 August 2023 Environmental & Development Committee 21 September 2023 Housing and Community Services Committee 28 September 2023 Environmental & Development Committee 09 November 2023 Planning Committee 14 November 2023 Housing and Community Services Committee 16 November 2023 Finance and Management Committee 23 November 2023 Licensing and Appeals Sub-Committee 30 November 2023

<u>MINUTES of the MEETING of the</u> <u>SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL</u> <u>held at the Civic Offices, Civic Way, Swadlincote</u> <u>on Wednesday 16th January 2020</u> <u>at 6.00pm</u>

PRESENT:

Conservative Group

Councillor Muller (Chairman), Councillor Atkin (Vice-Chairman) and Councillors Angliss, Churchill, Mrs Brown, Brady, Mrs Bridgen, Corbin, Dawson, Fitzpatrick, Ford, Mrs Haines, Hewlett, MacPherson, Mrs Patten, Pegg, Roberts, Watson and Wheelton.

Labour Group

Councillors Bambrick, Dunn, Gee, Mrs Heath, Mulgrew, Dr Pearson, Dr Perry, Rhind, Richards, Shepherd, Southerd, Mrs Stuart, Taylor, and Tilley.

CL/90 APOLOGIES

Council was informed that apologies had been received from Councillor Billings (Conservative Group) and Councillor Singh (Labour Group).

CL/91 PRESENTATION: CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT DAVID COX

The Chief Executive introduced Chief Superintendent David Cox to Council.

The Chief Superintend addressed Council regarding recent events.

CL/92 MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING

The Open Minutes of the Council Meeting held on the 31st October 2019 (CL/68-CL/86) were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman of the District Council.

CL/93 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Council was informed that no Declarations of Interest had been received.

CL/94 ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN

The Chairman of the District Council outlined a summary of events attended since the last Council Meeting.

CL/95 ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE LEADER

The Leader of South Derbyshire District Council attended the meeting and addressed Council regarding recent events attended.

CL/96 ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE HEAD OF PAID SERVICE

The Head of Paid Service attended the meeting and addressed Council updating Members on recent matters. The Head of Paid Service informed Members that in an attempt to maintain efficiencies within the service area, they would be asked to provide consent for Council summons to be issued electronically and to this end an email would be sent to all Members seeking their consent.

CL/97 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 10

Council was informed that no questions had been received.

CL/98 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 11

Council was informed that no questions had been received.

CL/99 ANNUAL AUDIT LETTER FOR YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2019

The Strategic Director (Corporate Resources) presented the report to Council setting outling the key issues arising from the Audit work undertaken during 2018/19.

Members considered the report and discussed the content of the Annual Audit Letter.

<u>RESOLVED</u>:

That Council considered and approved the Annual Audit Letter for 2018/19.

CL/100 NEW INITIATIVES IN THE CUSTOMER SERVICES TEAM

The Strategic Director (Corporate Resources) presented the report to Council and outlined the two new initiatives that aimed to improve the customer services that the Council delivered to its residents and businesses.

Members considered the report and discussed the officer's recommendations.

<u>RESOLVED</u>:

1.1 That Council approved the adoption of SignLive on a one-year trial basis.

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1.2 That Council approved the introduction of the Sunflower Scheme for hidden disabilities.

CL/101 CLIMATE EMERGENCY ACTION PLANNING

The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) addressed Council and presented the report advising of the baseline emissions from Council activities and the data showing the extent of carbon saving necessary to meet the Climate Emergency aspirations. Council was advised of the current estimated carbon emissions from all sources across South Derbyshire and the extent of emissions reductions necessary to achieve carbon neutrality across the District by 2050.

Members considered the report and discussed the officer's recommendations.

<u>RESOLVED</u>:

That the Council approved a Climate and Environment Strategy and a Climate and Environment Action Plan 2020 - 2024.

CL /102 POLLING PLACE REVIEW 2019 - FINAL PROPOSALS

The Chief Executive addressed Council and presented the report noting the steps taken in the 2019 review of Parliamentary Polling District and Places and the outcome of that review, which complied with the relevant statutory obligations.

Members considered the report and discussed the officer's recommendations.

RESOLVED:

- **1.1** That Council noted the responses to the consultation.
- 1.2 That Council adopted the Final Proposals arising from the review of polling places and polling districts as detailed in Appendix A of the report.
- 1.3 That Council authorised the Returning Officer to designate alternative polling places where necessary.
- 1.4 That Members approved the publication of the Final Proposals as outlined in Appendix A of the report.

CL/103 OPEN MINUTES

Council received and considered the open minutes of its Committees.

<u>RESOLVED</u>:

That the open minutes of the following Committees and Area Forum Meetings were approved as a true record:

Committee	Date	Minutes No's
Environmental and Development Services	26.09.19	EDS/39 – EDS/47
Finance and Management	10.10.19	FM/59 – FM/70
Overview and Scrutiny	16.10.19	OS/21 – OS/28
Housing and Community Services	21.11.19	HCS/44 – HCS/56
Finance and Management	28.11.19	FM/75 – FM/91

<u>Area Forum</u>		
Melbourne	02.10.19	MA/8-MA/14
Swadlincote	08.10.19	SA/8-SA/14
Newhall	23.10.19	NA/8-NA/14
Linton	22.10.19	LA/8-LA/14
Etwall	24.10.19	EA/8-EA/14
Repton	07.11.19	RA/8-RA/14

CL/104 TO REVIEW THE COMPOSITIONS OF COMMITTEES, SUB-COMMITTEES AND WORKING PANELS.

The Members reviewed the composition of Committees, Sub-Committees and Working Panels 2019/20.

<u>RESOLVED</u>:

Finance and Management Committee

Councillor Fitzpatrick as Vice-Chair

Environmental and Development Committee

Councillor Hewlett to replace Councillor Billings.

Licensing and Appeals Sub-Committee

Councillor Whittenham off.

Joint Consultative Committee

Councillor Fitzpatrick to replace Councillor Billings

Audit Sub-Committee

Councillor Mrs Wheelton to replace Councillor Whittenham Councillor Atkin as Chair and Councillor Churchill as Vice-Chair

Heritage Grants Sub-Committee

Councillor Whittenham off

Single Status Steering Group

Councillor Ford and Councillor Fitzpatrick on

CL/105 TO REVIEW THE COMPOSITIONS OF SUBSTITUTE PANELS

The Members reviewed the composition of the composition of Committees, Sub-Committees and Working Panels.

RESOLVED:

Finance and Management Committee

Councillor Brady to replace Councillor Mrs Wheelton

CL/106 TO REVIEW REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Members reviewed the Outside Bodies representation list.

RESOLVED:

D2 Joint Committee for Economic Development

Councillor Fitzpatrick to replace Councillor Billings

Derby and Derbyshire Strategic Leadership Forum

Councillor Fitzpatrick to replace Councillor Billings

Derbyshire Police and Crime Panel

Councillors Mrs Patten to replace Councillor Mrs Wheelton

East Midlands Airport Independent Liaison Committee

Councillor Fitzpatrick to replace Councillor Billings

Local Government Information Unit

Councillor Billings to replace Councillor Fitzpatrick

Sharpe's Pottery Heritage and Arts Trust Ltd

Councillor Angliss to replace Councillor Mrs Patten

CL/107 TO REVIEW MEMBER CHAMPIONS

Members review the Member Champions list.

RESOLVED:

Council was informed no amendments were to be made.

CL/108 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT [ACCESS TO INFORMATION] ACT 1985)

That in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined under the paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act as indicated in the reports of Committees.

EXEMPT MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL

The Exempt Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 31st October 2019 (CL/87-CL/89). were received.

EXEMPT QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NUMBER 11

Council was informed no questions had been received.

EXEMPT MINUTES

Council received and considered the Exempt Minutes of its committees.

Committee	Date	Minutes No's
Finance and Management	10.10.19	FM/71 – FM/74
Housing and Community Services	21.11.19	HCS/57 – HCS/61
Finance and Management	28.11.19	<i>FM/92 – FM/98</i>

COUNCILLOR D MULLER

CHAIRMAN OF THE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES of the COUNCIL MEETING of the SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL held at the Civic Offices, Civic Way, Swadlincote on Thursday 02 November 2023 at 6.00pm

PRESENT:

Councillor S Bambrick (Chair) and Councillor M Gee (Vice-Chair) and Councillors A Archer, J Carroll, A Haynes, I Hudson, A Jones, G Jones, R Pearson, V Redfern, G Rhind, D Shepherd, L Singh, K Storey, B Stuart, S Taylor, and A Tilley.

Conservative Group

Councillors N Atkin, D Corbin, M Ford, K Haines, A Kirke, D Muller and P Watson.

Liberal Democrats

Councillors G Andrew and J Davies

Non-Grouped

Councillor A Wheelton

CL/66 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence from the Meeting were received from Councillors S Harrison, L Mulgrew, M Mulgrew and D Pegg (Labour Group) and Councillors J Lowe, M Fitzpatrick and S Meghani (Conservative Group).

CL/67 TO CONFIRM THE OPEN MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Open Minutes of the Council Meeting held on the 14 September 2023 (CL/46 -CL/61) were approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.

CL/68 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Council was informed that no declarations of interest had been received.

CL/69 ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR

The Chair of South Derbyshire District Council addressed Council. The Chair reported that he had attended the opening of the 771st Charter Fair in Ilkeston followed by a Civic Service and bulb planting at Castle Gresley Infant School. The Chair of Council with representatives from Derbyshire County Council and Derby City Council had received delegates from Japan to commemorate the 25th anniversary of collaboration with South Derbyshire. The Chair informed Council that the High Sheriff of Derbyshire had visited the District and that visits

to Cadley Park and the Magic Attic had been included on the itinerary. The Chair of the Council announced that the Poppy Appeal was now under way.

CL/70 ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE LEADER

The Leader of the Council attended the meeting and addressed Council. The Leader had welcomed visitors from Toyota City on the 25th anniversary. The visitors had been on visits to the National Forest and South Derbyshire and Burton College.

The Leader reported that the Labour Group had been working with the Community Voluntary Service to help with the increased demand for food parcels over the winter period, including Christmas. The Leader appealed to the Chief Executive for a donation to the food banks in the District to help with the shortfall during the Winter period.

The Leader expressed thanks to the Environmental Services Officers who had assisted during the recent floods in parts of South Derbyshire including Ambaston, Elvaston, Repton and Willington and asked the Chief Executive to pass on thanks to the Officers.

CL/71 ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE HEAD OF PAID SERVICE

The Head of Paid Service addressed Council and advised that a party from South Derbyshire District Council would be visiting Toyota in Japan to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the partnership.

The Head of Paid Service informed Council that the two scoping exercises for Housing Services and Planning were underway and would be reported to Environmental and Development Services Committee and Housing and Community Services Committee respectively when concluded.

The Head of Paid Service informed Council that the Elections Act 2022 included a new electronic system for postal and proxy vote applications for absent votes and that communications and the Council's web site would provide more detailed information.

The Head of Paid Service responded to the Leader of the Council and acknowledged the thanks to all colleagues for their superb efforts during the flood emergency.

With the approval of the Chair the Leader of the Opposition addressed Council to thank those officers involved in supporting local residents throughout the recent floods and in particular two officers who worked through the weekend braving severe flood waters.

CL/72 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 10

Council was informed that no questions had been received.

CL/73 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 11

Council was informed that no questions had been received.

CL/74 NOTICES OF MOTION IN ORDER OF WHICH THEY WERE RECEIVED

Council was informed that no notices of motion had been received.

CL/75 <u>COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW – DRAKELOW, TERMS OF</u> <u>REFERENCE</u>

The Head of Paid Service addressed Council and introduced Helen Fudge, who was the Consultant engaged to the manage the review.

The Consultant outlined the report and explained that the review had been commenced following receipt of a petition from Drakelow Parish Meeting to create a Parish Council.

Councillor A Tilley addressed Council to express support for the formation of a Parish Council for Drakelow and noted that the Parish Meeting of Drakelow had been instrumental in supporting local residents and seeking solutions to many issues.

Councillor Taylor addressed Council in support of a Parish Council and recommended the Community Governance Review.

RESOLVED:

- 1.1 Council approved the Terms of Reference for the Community Governance Review for Drakelow as detailed at Appendix 1 of the report.
- 1.2 Council approved delegated authority to the Monitoring Officer, in consultation with the Leader of the Council, for any necessary amendment to the Terms of Reference, the review process and/or the timetable for the review.

CL/76 LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND SOCIAL CARE OMBUDSMAN – ANNUAL REVIEW LETTER 2023 AND LGSCO UPDATE

The Head of Paid Service presented the Annual Review to Council which contained a summary of complaints submitted to the Ombudsman.

<u>RESOLVED</u>:

1.1 Council accepted the Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman's Annual Review Letter 2023.

CL/77 INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL

The Head of Paid Service presented the report to Council which allowed for reviewed Terms of Reference for the Independent Renumeration Panel as part of the four yearly cycle.

Councillor Storey addressed Council regarding the adoption of a Parental Leave Policy for those elected to public office.

Members supported the introduction of a parental leave policy to support Councillors with family commitments.

<u>RESOLVED</u>:

1.1 Council approved Richard Penn to be appointed Chair of the Independent Remuneration Panel to make recommendations to the Council on Members' Allowances.

1.2 Council approved that the Chief Executive be authorised to appoint two further members from the local community to serve on the Panel.

1.3 Council approved Members of the Panel were to be paid any agreed fees and expenses incurred by them in carrying out their duties.

1.4 Council approved the Terms of Reference for the Panel, as detailed in the report.

1.5 Council adopted the Local Government Association Parental Leave Policy for elected members..

CL/78 EQUALITY, DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION ANNUAL REPORT 2022-23 AND DIVERSITY CALENDAR 2024

The Head of Paid Service presented the report highlighting the important work done by the authority.

Councillor Stuart addressed Council and proposed that the Calendar of Events be looked at as the summer months appeared to be a bit light and could maybe include disability events and promote inclusivity activities.

The Head of Paid Service informed Council that the suggestion would be taken forward and considered.

RESOLVED:

1.1 Council approved the Equality, Diversity and Inclusion annual report for 2022/23 attached as Appendix A to the report and the Diversity Calendar for 2024 attached as Appendix B to the report.

CL/79 ANNUAL REPORT 2022-23

The Head of Paid Service presented the report highlighting the Council's performance for the Financial Year to March 2023.

<u>RESOLVED</u>:

1.1 Council approved for publication the annual report for 2022/23 as detailed in Appendix A of the report with delegated authority to the Chief Executive and the Leader of the Council to make amendments to any typographical errors.

CL/80 MEMBER ICT PROTOCOL

The Head of ICT and Business Change presented the refreshed documents to Council highlighting that the report had been reviewed at the Finance and Management Committee on 05 October 2023 and by a cross-party working group.

Members recognised the contributions from the cross-party working group and noted that an amendment was required to the year stated on page two of the policy.

RESOLVED:

1.1 Council approved and adopted the Members ICT Protocol at Appendix 1 of the report, to form part of the Council's Constitution.

CL/81 **OPEN MINUTES:**

Council received and considered the open minutes of the following Committees.

October 2019 December 2019	LAS/08 – LAS/11
December 2019	
	LAS/14 – LAS/16
September 20	LAS01 – LAS/04
October 2020	LAS/08 – LAS/11
December 2020	LAS/12 – LAS/15
March 2021	LAS/16 – LAS/18
March 2021 am	LAS/22 – LAS/24
March 2021	LAS/26 – LAS/28
May 2021	LAS/01 - LAS/04
June 2021	LAS/05 – LAS/08
November 2021	LAS/09 – LAS/11
November 2021	LAS/15 – LAS/18
December 2021	LAS/19 – LAS/21
January 2022	LAS/23- LAS/27
April 2022	LAS/29 – LAS/32
May 2022	LAS/01 – LAS/04
June 2022	LAS/05 - LAS/08
September 22	LAS/09 – LAS/12
	PL/84 – PL/94
October 2022	LAS/13 – LAS/15
November 2022	LAS/17 – LAS/21
December 2022	LAS/22 – LAS/26
February 2023	LAS/27 – LAS/30
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Licensing & Appeals Sub-	12 June 2023	LAS/01 – LAS/05
Committee		
Licensing & Appeals Sub-	27 June 2023	LAS/07 – LAS/10
Committee		
Licensing & Appeals Sub-	10 August 2023	LAS/11 – LAS/13
Committee		
Licensing & Appeals Sub-	26 September	LAS/15 – LAS/17
Committee	2023	
Licensing & Appeals Sub-	16 October 2023	LAS/19 – LAS/22
Committee		
Planning	15 November 2022	PL/95 – PL/110
Planning	13 December 2022	PL/113 – PL/123
Planning	10 January 2023	PL/124 – PL/133
Planning	07 February 2023	PL/134 – PL/146
Planning	07 March 2023	PL/147 – PL/159
Planning	21 March 2023	PL/160 – PL/172
Planning	04 April 2023	PL/173 – PL/181
Planning	06 June 2023	PL/01 – PL/22
Planning	27 June 2023	PL/23 – PL/31
Planning	08 August 2023	PL/32 – PL/50
Housing & Community	09 March 2023	HCS/80 – HCS/87
Services		
Housing & Community	25 April 2023	HCS/92 – HCS/99
Services		
Housing & Community	01 June 2023	HCS/01 – HCS/10
Services		
Finance & Management	27 April 2023	FM/154 – FM/161
Finance & Management	08 June 2023	FM/01 – FM/08
Finance & Management	20 July 2023	FM/12 – FM/21
Finance & Management	24 August 2023	FM/24 – FM/37
Finance & Management	05 October 2023	FM/42 – FM/52
Overview & Scrutiny	14 June 2023	OS/01 – OS/08
Overview & Scrutiny	30 August 2023	OS/09 – OS/18
Overview & Scrutiny	11 October 2023	OS/19 – OS/27
Etwall JMC	05 July 2023	EL/01 – EL/07
Etwall JMC	20 September	EL/09 – EL/14
	2023	

A correction to Councillor Grahame Andrew's name in the minutes of the Etwall JMC 05 July 2023 was noted.

RESOLVED:

That the Open Minutes of the above mentioned Committees were approved as a true record.

CL/82 APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES, SUB-COMMITTEES AND WORKING PANELS 2023/24

Members reviewed the composition of Committees, Sub-Committees and Working Panels 2023/24. Page 18 of 184

Council was informed that the composition of the Local Plan Working Group be made up of three representatives for the Labour Group, namely Councillors S Taylor, A Tilley and A Wheelton and two representatives from the Conservative Group, namely Councillors K Haines and P Watson.

CL/83 COMPOSITION OF SUBSTITUTE PANELS

Members reviewed the composition of the Substitute Panels 2023/24.

RESOLVED:

Council was informed no amendments were to be made.

CL/84 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES 2023/24

Members reviewed the Outside Bodies representation list 2023/24

RESOLVED:

Council was informed that no amendments were to be made.

CL/85 APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER CHAMPIONS

Members reviewed the Representation of Member Champions.

RESOLVED:

Council was informed no amendments were to be made.

CL/86 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT [ACCESS TO INFORMATION] ACT 1985)

<u>RESOLVED</u>:

That in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined under the paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act as indicated in the reports of Committees.

EXEMPT MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL

The Exempt Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 14 September 2023 (CL/62 - CL/65) were approved as a true record.

EXEMPT QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NUMBER 11

EXEMPT MINUTES

Council received and considered the Exempt Minutes of its Committees.

Committee	Date	Minutes Nos
Licensing & Appeals Sub-	21 October 2019	LAS/12 – LAS/13
Committee		
Licensing & Appeals Sub-	16 December	LAS/17 – LAS/19
Committee	2019	
Licensing & Appeals Sub-	29 September	LAS/05 – LAS/07
Committee	2020	
Licensing & Appeals Sub-	02 March 2021	LAS/19 – LAS/21
Committee		
Licensing & Appeals Sub-	23 March 2021	LAS/25
Committee	10am	
Licensing & Appeals Sub-	23 March 2021	LAS/29
Committee	3.30pm	
Licensing & Appeals Sub-	09 November	LAS/12 – LAS/14
Committee	2021	
Licensing & Appeals Sub-	14 December	LAS/22
Committee	2021	
Licensing & Appeals Sub-	27 January 2022	LAS/28
Committee		
Licensing & Appeals Sub-	27 October 2022	LAS/16
Committee		
Licensing & Appeals Sub-	12 June 2023	LAS/06
Committee		
Licensing & Appeals Sub-	10 August 2023	LAS/14
Committee		
Licensing & Appeals Sub-	26 September	LAS/18
Committee	2023	
Planning	15 November	PL/111 – PL/112
	2022	
Housing & Community Services	05 January 2023	HCS/64 – HCS/65
Housing & Community Services	09 March 2023	HCS/88 – HCS/91
Housing & Community Services	25 April 2023	HCS/100 –
	04 1	HCS/102
Housing & Community Services	01 June 2023	HCS/11 – HCS/12
Finance & Management	27 April 2023	FM/162 – FM/168
Finance & Management	08 June 2023	FM/09 – FM/11
Finance & Management	20 July 2023	FM/22 – FM/23
Finance & Management	24 August 2023	FM/38 – FM/41
Finance & Management	05 October 2023	FM/53 – FM/58
Etwall JMC	05 July 2023	EL/08

The meeting terminated at. 18:50 hours.

COUNCILLOR S BAMBRICK

CHAIR OF THE DISTRICT COUNCIL

REPORT TO:	COUNCIL	AGENDA ITEM: 8
DATE OF MEETING:	18 JANUARY 2024	CATEGORY: DELEGATED
REPORT FROM:	CHIEF EXECUTIVE	OPEN PARAGRAPH NO: N/A
MEMBERS'	ARDIP SANDHU	
CONTACT POINT:	Ardip.Sandhu@southderbyshire.gov.uk	DOC:
SUBJECT:	APPOINTMENT OF HONORARY ALDERMAN OF THE DISTRICT	REF:
WARD(S)		
AFFECTED:	ALL	

1.0 <u>Recommendations</u>

- 1.1 That former Councillors Kevin John Richards and Trevor Southerd be proposed for the title of Honorary Alderman.
- 1.2 That an Extraordinary Meeting of the Council be called on 23 May 2024, following the meeting of Civic Council of the same date, to consider the conferment of the titles.

2.0 <u>Purpose of Report</u>

2.1 To consider the appointment of former Members of the Council, Kevin John Richards and Trevor Southerd as Honorary Alderman of South Derbyshire District Council.

3.0 Detail

- 3.1 Under Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Council may, by resolution passed by not less than two thirds of the Members voting thereon, at a meeting specially convened for the purpose, confer the title of Honorary Alderman on persons who have, in the opinion of the Council, rendered eminent service to the District and its Council whilst serving as a Councillor.
- 3.2 The title of Honorary Alderman is an honour specifically intended for former Members of the Council who had made an exceptional contribution to the work of the Council and to the community.
- 3.3 Honorary Alderman have the right to attend civic engagements organised by the Council as and when they are organised, although they must not take part in meetings of the Full Council or any Council Committee. They are not entitled to any allowance or payment arising from such occasions. Should any of those people conferred with the title become a Councillor again at some point in the future, they may not use their title during their term of office as a Councillor.

- 3.4 Each Council can decide its own criteria or tradition for the appointment of Honorary Alderman.
- 3.5 In accordance with the Council's Constitution, an Extraordinary Meeting of the Council must be convened to bestow the titles of Honorary Alderman. The resolution to appoint to these positions must be passed by at least 2/3 of the Members present at that meeting. The resolution should recite the grounds upon which the Council have come to their decision.

4.0 Financial Implications

- 4.1 Honorary Aldermen will be presented with a certificate and a medal. The associated costs can be met from existing budgets.
- 4.2 A reception will be jointly held with the Civic reception following Civic Council. The costs will be met from existing budgets.

5.0 Corporate Implications

- 5.1 None.
- 6.0 <u>Community Implications</u>
- 6.1 None.

7.0 Background Papers

Section 249 of the Local Government Act 1972

REPORT TO:	FULL COUNCIL	AGENDA ITEM: 9
DATE OF MEETING:	18 JANUARY 2024	CATEGORY: RECOMMENDED
REPORT FROM:	STRATEGIC DIRECTOR (SERVICE DELIVERY)	OPEN
MEMBERS' CONTACT POINT:	SEAN MCBURNEY – HEAD OF CULTURAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICES – sean.mcburney@southderbyshire.gov.uk	DOC:
SUBJECT:	MEMBERSHIP OF THE ECOLOGICAL EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN WORKING GROUP	
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL	TERMS OF REFERENCE:

1. <u>Recommendations</u>

- 1.1 To approve the establishment of the Ecological Emergency Action Plan Working Group with a membership of four councillors.
- 1.2 To receive and confirm nominations for appointments to the Ecological Emergency Action Plan Working Group from each of the political Groups.

2. <u>Purpose of the Report</u>

2.1 To outline the purpose and importance of the Ecological Emergency Action Plan Working Group and stablish membership of the group.

3. Executive Summary

- 3.1 An ecological emergency was declared at full council meeting on Thursday 14 September 2023
- 3.2 The working group is an information sharing group and does not make decisions on policy, this remains a matter for Committees.

4 Detail

4.1 The Ecological Emergency Action Plan Group is to establish a forum for Members and Officers to discuss themes and projects emerging from the Action Plan. The Group provides the opportunity to discuss Ecological issues such as the Biodiversity Net Gain, on-going work with key stakeholders including neighbouring authorities, The National Forest Company, Forestry England, Derbyshire Wildlife Trust. Also have oversight of the project plan and consultations

- 4.2 Establishing strong working relationships between Officers, Members and Management is key for the Action Plan production. The Action Plan will help to deliver the Council objectives set out and assist the Council in meeting other environmental targets such as Net Zero and Biodiversity Net Gain.
- 4.3 Declaring the ecological emergency and forming this working group brings together several key commitments to help restore the natural world highlighting unsustainable practices and the attention to avert these for future generations.
- 4.4 The council has adopted a nature recovery strategy in partnership with the Derbyshire Wildlife Trust & Derbyshire County Council. This group will build on this work and take themes from this and the Action Plan for Nature into this new forum and Action Plan.

5.0 Financial Implications

5.1 None as a direct result of this report.

6.0 Corporate Implications

Employment Implications

6.1 None as a direct result of this report.

Legal Implications

6.2 None as a direct result of this report.

Corporate Plan Implications

6.3 The Action Plan and this working group will support the delivery of key environmental targets set out in the Corporate Plan, and enhancement of the natural environment.

Risk Impact

6.4 Delivery of the Action Plan will support Biodiversity Net Gain for the district. Not having a fit for purpose Action Plan could be hindered the ability to achieve this new legislation.

7.0 Community Impact

7.1 The outcomes and impact of the work included in the Action Plan will further enhance the natural environment. Which will improve overall community wellbeing.

Consultation

7.2 None.

Equality and Diversity Impact

7.3 None as a direct result of this report.

Social Value Impact

7.4 None as a direct result of this report.

Environmental Sustainability

7.5 None as a direct result of this report. However out comes achieved through delivering on the action plan will improve overall environmental sustainability for the district.

8.0 Conclusions

8.1 The Ecological Emergency Action Plan and the formation of the working group will be critical in reversing the downward trend of biodiversity decline in the region.

9.0 Background Papers

None

REPORT TO:	COUNCIL	AGENDA ITEM: 10
DATE OF MEETING:	18 JANUARY 2024	CATEGORY: DELEGATED
REPORT FROM:	CHIEF EXECUTIVE	OPEN
MEMBERS' CONTACT POINT:	ARDIP SANDHU ardip.sandhu@southderbyshire.gov.uk	DOC:
SUBJECT:	OUTSIDE BODIES APPOINTMENTS	REF: AC TERMS OF
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL	REFERENCE:

1.0 <u>Recommendations</u>

- 1.1 That Arts Derbyshire is removed from the Council's list of outside bodies.
- 1.2 That Derbyshire Partnership Forum is removed from the Council's list of outside bodies.
- 1.3 That the Hilton Harriers Mease Management Committee is removed from the Council's Outside bodies list and Hilton Harriers Football Club Committee is added to the list.
- 1.4 That the Council's representative on the Hilton Harriers Mease Management Committee, Cllr Hudson is appointed to the Hilton Harriers Football Club Committee
- 1.5 That the Council's representative on the East Midlands Freeport Board is Cllr Taylor.
- 1.6 That the East Midlands Airport Liaison Committee is removed from the Council's list of Outside Bodies.

2.0 <u>Purpose of Report</u>

2.1 To revise the outside bodies list together with appropriate appointments after notification of changes from the respective outside bodies.

3.0 <u>Detail</u>

Arts Derbyshire

3.1 Derbyshire County Council has advised the Council that Arts Derbyshire has acquired registered charity status with no formal local authority representation on the Charity's board. The organisation therefore is no longer a local authority partnership and the Council does not need to appoint a member to the organisation.

Derbyshire Partnership Forum

3.2 Derbyshire County Council has advised the Council that Derbyshire Partnership Forum has ceased operating. The Council therefore does not need to appoint a representative.

Hilton Harriers Mease Management Committee

3.3 The Council has been advised that at the Hilton Harriers Mease Management Committee AGM on 19 September 2023 the Committee was dissolved and a new committee, namely, Hilton Harriers Football Club Committee was established. Council representation has been requested for this new committee.

East Midland Freeport Limited Board

3.4 The Council has yet to join the EMF company and a report will be presented to Council in due course, however, in order for the Council to be party to the freeport decisions it appointed the Leader of the Council to the Board, it is proposed that Cllr Taylor be appointed to the Board instead of the Leader of the Council.

East Midland Airport Liaison Committee

3.5 Democratic Services were advised that that East Midlands Airport Liaison Committee has been dissolved. The Council therefore does not need to appoint a representative.

4.0 **Financial Implications**

4.1 There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

5.0 Corporate Implications

Legal Implications

5.1 There are no legal implications arising directly from this report.

Corporate Plan Implications

5.2 There are no implications from the proposed changes to the Outside Bodies list.

Risk Impact

5.3 There are no risk implications from the proposed changes to the Outside Bodies list.

6.0 <u>Community Implications</u>

6.1 The Council has been advised that the outside Bodies no longer exist and therefore cannot appoint members to those bodies.

Social Value Impact

6.2 There are no social value impacts directly arising from this report.

Environmental Sustainability

6.3 There are no Environmental Sustainability impacts directly arising from this report.

7.0 Background Papers

None

PLANNING COMMITTEE

5th November 2019

PRESENT:

Conservative Group

Councillors Angliss, Brady, Mrs Bridgen (Vice-Chairman), Mrs Brown (Chairman), Ford, Muller, Watson and Mrs. Wheelton.

Labour Group

Councillors Gee, Dr. Pearson, Shepherd, Southerd, Tilley.

PL/94 **APOLOGIES**

The Committee was informed that no apologies had been received.

PL/95 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Committee was informed that no declarations of interest had been received.

PL/96 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO.11

The Committee was informed no questions from Members of the Council had been received.

MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE

PL/97 **REPORT OF THE STRATEGIC DIRECTOR (SERVICE DELIVERY)**

The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) submitted reports for consideration and determination by the Committee and presented oral reports to the Meeting to update them as necessary. Consideration was then given thereto and decisions were reached as indicated.

PL/98 DEMOLITION OF EXISTING DWELLING (USE CLASS C3) AND NURSERY BUILDINGS (SUI-GENERIS USE) AND CONSTRUCTION OF 9 LIGHT INDUSTRIAL/OFFICE BUILDINGS (USE CLASS B1(C)) WITH THE CREATION OF A NEW ACCESS TO DERBY ROAD AND ASSOCIATED WORKS AT TALBOT FARM, 75 DERBY ROAD, HILTON, DERBY

The Committee was informed that Members had attended a site visit earlier in the day.

The Planning Delivery Team Leader presented the report to the Committee and summarised the key areas of the application. An Objector and the Applicant's Agent attended the meeting and addressed the Committee regarding the application.

The Committee considered the application and discussed the recommendations and conditions.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be granted as recommended in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery), subject to the stated conditions.

PL/99 CHANGE OF USE OF LAND TO FORM A SEASONAL WEDDING VENUE INCLUDING THE ERECTION OF FOUR LINKED TIPIS AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF A TIMBER A FRAME CEREMONY STRUCTURE WITH ASSOCIATED WORKS AT BEEHIVE WOODLAND LAKES, ROSLISTON, SWADLINCOTE, DE12 8HZ

The Planning Delivery Team Leader presented the report to the Committee and summarised the key areas of the application.

The Applicant's Agent attended the meeting and addressed the Committee regarding the application.

The Committee considered the application and discussed the recommendations and conditions.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be granted as recommended in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery), subject to the stated conditions.

PL/100 THE DEMOLITION OF STABLE BUILDING AND THE ERECTION OF A DETACHED DWELLING AT 21 LINTON ROAD, CASTLE GRESLEY, SWADLINCOTE

The Planning Delivery Team Leader presented the report to the Committee and summarised the key areas of the application.

The Applicant attended the meeting and addressed the Committee regarding the application.

The Committee considered the application and discussed the recommendations and conditions.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be granted as recommended in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery), subject to the stated conditions.

PL/101 APPLICATION TO MODIFY THE SECOND SCHEDULE 'AFFORDABLE HOUSING' OF THE SECTION 106 AGREEMENT FOR THE SITE DATED THE 7TH SEPTEMBER 2007 RELATED TO PERMISSION REF. 9/2006/0885 AT THE FORMER CALDER ALUMINIUM WORKS, REPTON ROAD, WILLINGTON, DERBY

The Planning Delivery Team Leader presented the report to the Committee and summarised the key areas of the application.

The Committee considered the application and discussed the recommendations and conditions.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be granted as recommended in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery), subject to the stated conditions.

PL/102 CHANGE OF USE FROM RETAIL UNIT TO SUNBED SALON (SUI GENERIS) (RE-SUBMISSION OF WITHDRAWN APPLICATION REF. 9/2019/0213) AT UNIT A & PART B, ALDI DEVELOPMENT, SWARKESTONE ROAD, CHELLASTON, DERBY, DE73 6WS

The Planning Delivery Team Leader presented the report to the Committee and summarised the key areas of the application.

The Committee considered the application and discussed the recommendations and conditions.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be granted as recommended in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery), subject to the stated conditions.

PL/103 THE FELLING OF A PINE TREE COVERED BY SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL TREE PRESERVATION ORDER NO.157 AT BRETBY HEIGHTS, NEWHALL, SWADLINCOTE

The Planning Delivery Team Leader addressed the Committee and summarised the key points of the application.

The Committee considered the application and discussed the recommendations and conditions.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be granted as recommended in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery), subject to the stated conditions.

The Planning Delivery Team Leader presented the report to the Committee and noted the amendment to the Section 106 Agreement.

The Committee considered the report and discussed the Officer's recommendations.

RESOLVED:

That the Committee endorsed the amendment to the agreement to accept a financial contribution of £27,500 in lieu of the previously required financial contributions totalling £340,511.60 towards education, healthcare, built facilities, open space, outdoor sports, highways (Swadlincote Regeneration Route), and a Traffic Regulation Order. It is recommended that the sum be allocated towards the delivery of the Swadlincote Regeneration Route.

PL/105 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985)

RESOLVED:

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it was likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

PL/106 EXEMPT QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE No 11.

The Committee was informed that no questions had been received.

COUNCILLOR MRS L BROWN

CHAIRMAN

ENVIRONMENTAL AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE (SPECIAL BUDGET)

6th January 2020

<u>OPEN</u>

PRESENT:

Conservative Group

Councillor MacPherson (Chairman); Councillor Mrs Haines (Vice-Chairman) and Councillors, Dawson, Fitzpatrick, Mrs. Patten, Roberts (substituting for Councillor Mrs Brown) and Mrs Wheelton (substituting for Councillor Billings)

Labour Group

Councillors: Dunn; Mrs. Heath; Dr Pearson (substituting for Councillor Singh); Taylor and Tilley.

EDS/64 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors: Billings; Mrs Brown and Whittenham (Conservative Group) and Councillor Singh (Labour Group)

EDS/65 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Committee was informed that no declarations of interest had been received.

EDS/66 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 10

The Committee was informed that no questions from Members of the Public had been received.

EDS/67 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11

The Committee was informed that no questions from Members of the Council had been received.

EDS/68 REPORTS OF THE OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

There were no Overview and Scrutiny Reports to be submitted.

MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE

EDS/69 SERVICE BASE BUDGETS 2020/21

The Head of Finance presented the report to the Committee highlighting a summary of the budget for Committees service areas and noted the ear marked reserves allocated to the Committee.

The Committee considered the report and supported the officer's recommendations.

RESOLVED:

- 1.1 That the Committee considered and recommended the proposed income and expenditure revenue budget for this Committee's services for 2020/21 as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report, go to the Finance and Management Committee for approval.
- 1.2 That the Committee considered and approved the fees and charges for 2020/21 as detailed in Appendix 2 of the report.

EDS/70 REPTON NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) presented the report to the Committee and sought approval of the recommendations that would enable the creation of the Repton Neighbourhood Plan following a referendum held on 14 November 2019.

The Committee considered the report and supported the officer's recommendations.

RESOLVED:

1.1 That the Committee approved that the Repton Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) be 'made' under section 38A(4) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 in compliance with the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended).

EDS/71 COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME

The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) advised Members work is ongoing with further details to be included at the next Committee.

RESOLVED:

The Committee considered and approved the updated work programme.

Page 35 of 184 EDS/72 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

RESOLVED:-

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it would be likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

EXEMPT QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11

The Committee was informed that no exempt questions from Members of the Council had been received.

The meeting terminated at 6.20 pm.

COUNCILLOR MACPHERSON

CHAIRMAN

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

7th January 2020

PRESENT:

Conservative Group

Councillor Roberts (Chairman) Councillor Pegg (Vice-Chairman) and Councillors Churchill, Ford (substituting for Cllr Corbin), Fitzpatrick (substituting for Cllr Dr Perry), Mrs. Haines, MacPherson (substituting for Councillor Atkin) and Mrs Wheelton

Labour Group

Councillors Mrs Heath, Mulgrew, Rhind, Richards, and Shepherd

HCS/62 APOLOGIES

The Committee was informed apologies for absence had been received from Councillors Atkin and Corbin, Dr Perry

HCS/63 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Committee was informed that Councillor Shepherd declared a Personal Interest in Item HCS/67 by virtue of being a Trustee of a body that receives funding from South Derbyshire District Council.

HCS/64 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 10

The Committee was informed that no questions from members of the public had been received.

HCS/65 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11

The Committee was informed that no questions from Members of the Council had been received.

HCS/66 REPORTS OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

There were no Overview and Scrutiny Reports to be submitted.

MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE

HCS/67 SERVICE BASE BUDGETS 2020/21

The Strategic Director (Corporate Resources) presented the report to the Committee noting that the report detailed the Committee's proposed base budget for 2020/21. The Strategic Director (Corporate Resources) informed the Committee that the report set out proposals for the level of fees and charges under the responsibility of the Committee for 2020/21.

The Committee considered the report and supported the officer's recommendations.

<u>RESOLVED</u>:

- 1.1 That the proposed income and expenditure revenue budget for this Committee's services for 2020/21 as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report were agreed and recommended to the Finance and Management Committee for approval.
- 1.2 That the proposed fees and charges as detailed in Appendix 2 of the report for 2020/21 were approved.
- 1.3 Consideration was given to the level of increases in Grants to Voluntary Bodies in 2020/21, noting that 2% was included in the Council's Medium-Term Financial Plan.
- 1.4 The Committee approved to increase the proposed fee for Sunday/Bank Holiday funeral for a child between 12 months and 16 years (in addition to the grant of right) from £369 in 2019/2020 to £405 in 2020/2021.

HCS/68 HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT BUDGET, FINANCIAL PLAN AND PROPOSED RENT 2020/21

The Strategic Director (Corporate Resources) presented the report to the Committee noting that the report detailed the updated 10-year financial projection for the Housing Revenue Account following a review during the annual budget round. The Committee was informed how the report set out details of the proposed rent level for 2020/21 in accordance with directions within the conclusion of the Rents for Social Housing from 2020 consultation.

The Committee considered the report and supported the officer's recommendations.

- 1.1 The Committee approved that Council House Rents be increased by CPI plus 1% for Tenants with effect from 1st April 2020 in accordance with the Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016 and after conclusion of the Rents for Social Housing from 2020 consultation.
- 1.2 The Committee considered the proposed revenue income and expenditure for 2020/21, together with the 10-year Financial Plan for the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report and agreed to refer to the Finance and Management Committee for approval.
- 1.3 The Committee approved that the Housing Revenue Account be kept under review and measures identified to mitigate the financial risks detailed in the report and to maintain a sustainable financial position.

HCS/69 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT [ACCESS TO INFORMATION] ACT 1985)

<u>RESOLVED</u>:

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

HCS/70 TO RECEIVE QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 11

The Committee was informed that no questions had been received.

The Meeting terminated at 6:25 pm.

COUNCILLOR A ROBERTS

CHAIRMAN

ETWALL LEISURE CENTRE JOINT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

8th January 2020

PRESENT:-

Representatives of South Derbyshire District Council

Conservative Group Councillor D Corbin

Labour Group Councillor D Shepherd

<u>Officers</u> K Stackhouse - Strategic Director (Corporate Resources)

<u>Representatives of John Port Spencer Academy</u> <u>Governing Body</u> D Parker – (Vice-Chairman) and School Governor Mrs M Walker-Endsor - School Governor

EL/12 APOLOGIES

The Committee was informed that apologies had been received from Councillor D Muller (Chairman) and K Spire

EL/13 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Committee was informed that no declarations of interest had been received.

EL/14 INCOME AND EXPENDITURE 2019/20 AND PROPOSED CASE BUDGET 2020/21.

The Strategic Director (Corporate Resources) addressed the Committee and presented the report that provided an update on the Leisure Centre's financial position for the current financial year 2019/20, together with submitting proposed estimates of income and expenditure for 2020/21.

The Committee considered the report and supported the officer's recommendations.

RESOLVED:

- 1.1 The Committee considered and noted the projected out-turn for 2019/20.
- 1.2 The Committee approved the estimates of income and expenditure for 2020/21.

The meeting terminated at 5.30pm

D PARKER

VICE-CHAIRMAN

FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (SPECIAL BUDGETARY)

9th January 2020

PRESENT:

Conservative Group

Councillor Watson (Chairman), Fitzpatrick (Vice-Chairman) and Councillors, Angliss, Mrs Bridgen (substituting for Cllr Mrs Brown), Ford, MacPherson, Roberts and Cllr Mrs Wheelton (substituting for Cllr Billings)

Labour Group

Councillors Dr Pearson, Rhind, Richards, Southerd and Taylor.

FM/99 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor Billing, Mrs. Brown

IN ATTENDANCE

Councillors Atkin and Hewlett

FM/100 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Committee was informed no declarations of interest from Members of the Committee had been received.

FM/101 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 10

The Committee was informed no questions from members of the public had been received.

FM/102 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11

The Committee was informed no questions from Members of the Council had been received.

FM/103 REPORTS OF OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

The Committee was informed there were no reports from Overview and Scrutiny.

MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE

FM/104 SERVICE BASE BUDGETS 2020-21

The Strategic Director (Corporate Resources) presented the report to the Committee outling the Committee's proposed base budget for 2020/21. The Committee was informed that it was proposed that the estimated income and expenditure was to be included in the consolidated budget of the Council for 2020/21 subject to the Council's overall medium-term financial position, which would be subject to a separate report on the Agenda.

The Committee was informed how the report set out proposals for the level of fees and charges under the responsibility of the Committee for the next financial year, 2020/21.

The Committee considered the report and supported the officer's recommendations.

RESOLVED:

- 1.1 The proposed revenue income and expenditure for 2020/21 as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report, for the Committee's Services were approved for inclusion in the consolidated proposals for the General Fund.
- 1.2 The Committee considered and approved the proposed fees and charges as detailed in Appendix 2 of the report for 2020/21.
- 1.3 The Committee considered and approved an increase of 2% in contributions to Parish Councils in 2020/21 for Concurrent Functions.

FM/105 BUDGET REPORT 2020/21 INCORPORATING THE CONSOLIDATED BUDGET PROPOSALS AND MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL PLAN TO 2025

The Strategic Director (Corporate Resources) presented the report to the Committee and summarised the Council's overall financial position following a detailed review of current income and expenditure on the General Fund. It was noted that the report detailed the Council's current spending and proposed base budget position for 2020/21 including proposed spending by Policy Committees. Page 43 of 184

The Strategic Director (Corporate Resources) requested that the Committee considered the proposed Council Tax Base for 2020/21, the projected Collection Fund position for 2019/20 and the planned Council Tax levels in 2020/21 and future years. The Committee were asked to consider the overall impact of the proposals on the General Fund's 5-year financial projection.

The Committee considered the report and supported the officer's recommendations.

<u>RESOLVED</u>:

- 1.1 The Committee approved the estimates of revenue income and expenditure for 2020/21 for the General Fund.
- 1.2 The Committee considered and approved an increase of 2% in grants to voluntary bodies and payments to Parish Councils under concurrent functions for 2020/21.
- 1.3 The Committee approved the Council Tax Base for 2020/21 of 34,474 (equivalent Band D) properties, as detailed in Appendix 3 to the report.
- 1.4 The Committee approved that an estimated Council Tax Surplus of £800,000 be declared on the Collection Fund for 2019/20 and the Council's proportion of £83,200 be transferred to the General Fund in 2020/21.
- 1.5 The Committee approved an increase of 1.95% in the rate of Council Tax for 2020/21, to be referred to Council on 26th February 2020.
- 1.6 The Committee approved the updated 5-year financial projection on the General Fund to March 2025 as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report, including associated assumptions and risks as detailed in the report.
- 1.7 The Committee approved that efficiencies and budget savings continue to be pursued where opportunities arise to sustain the current financial position.
- 1.8 The Committee approved that the decisions made in recommendations 1.1 to 1.7 are used as the basis for consultation with local residents, businesses, voluntary and community groups, etc. and are subject to review by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

FM/106 COUNCIL TAX PREMIUM ON LONG TERM EMPTY PROPERTIES

The Strategic Director (Corporate Resources) presented the report to the Committee and summarised the details regarding discretion given to local billing authorities that allowed the Council Tax Premium on long term empty properties to be increased. The Committee was informed how the discretion was introduced in the Rating (Property in Common Occupation) and Council Tax (Empty Dwellings) Act 2018.

The Committee considered the report and supported the officer's recommendations.

RESOLVED:

The Committee considered and approved to increase the Council Tax Premium to 200% on properties empty for between 5 and 10 years from 1 April 2020.

FM/107 COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME

The Strategic Director (Corporate Resources) presented the report to the Committee.

RESOLVED:

Members considered and approved the updated work programme.

FM/108 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT [ACCESS TO INFORMATION] ACT 1985)

RESOLVED:-

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

TO RECEIVE QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 11

The Committee was informed no questions had been received.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND GROWTH RESTRUCTURE UPDATE

The Committee approved the recommendation in the report.

The meeting terminated at 6:40 pm. Page 45 of 184

COUNCILLOR P WATSON

CHAIRMAN

ENVIRONMENTAL AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE

23rd January 2020

<u>OPEN</u>

PRESENT:-

Conservative Group

Councillor Mrs Haines (Vice-Chairman) and Councillors Billings, Mrs. Brown, Dawson, Fitzpatrick, Mrs. Patten, Roberts (substituting for Councillor Macpherson), and Whittenham.

Labour Group

Councillors Mrs. Heath, Shepherd (substituting for Councillor Dunn), Singh, Taylor and Tilley.

EDS/73 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor MacPherson (Conservative Group) and Councillor Dunn (Labour Group)

EDS/74 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Committee was informed that no declarations of interest had been received.

EDS/75 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 10

The Committee was informed that no questions from Members of the Public had been received.

EDS/76 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11

The Committee was informed that no questions from Members of the Council had been received.

EDS/77 REPORTS OF THE OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

There were no Overview and Scrutiny Reports to be submitted.

MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE

EDS/78 FLEET MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

The Head of Operational Services presented the report to the Committee and summarised the key areas within the report. The was informed that the revised Fleet Management Plan and associated vehicle replacement plan would form a framework of developing policies, plans and procedures for the management and use of vehicles, plant and associated equipment.

The Committee considered the report and supported the officer's recommendations.

RESOLVED:

That the Committee approved the Fleet Management Strategy and associated vehicle replacement plan

EDS/79 AUTHORITY MONITORING REPORT

The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) addressed the Committee and sought approval of the recommendations within the report. The Committee was informed how the Authority Monitoring Report provided information on the performance of policies in the adopted Local Plan Part 1 and Part 2 for the monitoring period from 1st April 2018 to March 31st 2019.

RESOLVED:

That the Committee noted the content of the Authority Monitoring Report (AMR) and authorised the publication of the document on the Council's website.

EDS/80 SOUTH DERBYSHIRE INFRASTRUCTURE DELIVERY PLAN

The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) presented the report to the Committee and outlined the content of the South Derbyshire Infrastructure Delivery Plan 2020 and the expected changes in reporting on infrastructure in the coming year.

RESOLVED:

- 1.1 That the Committee noted the content of the South Derbyshire Infrastructure Delivery Plan as per Appendix A of the report.
- 1.2 That the Committee noted the changes outlined in this report arising from new legislation.

EDS/81 LOCAL GREEN SPACES – PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS

The Head of Community and Cultural Services addressed the Committee and presented the report. The Committee was informed how the report outlined the proposed changes to the Local Green Spaces Plan following the Examination in Public on 12 September 2019. The Head of Community and Cultural Services sought approval of the recommendations within the report.

RESOLVED:

1.1 That the Committee approved the proposed modifications to the Local Green Spaces Plan and authorised consultation on the proposed modifications.

EDS/82 CHANGING THE FREQUENCY OF THE COUNCIL'S PLANNING COMMITTEE

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing presented the report to the Committee. The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing outlined the request to the change the frequency of Planning Committee meetings to a 4 weekly cycle following recommendations from the Council's review of the Planning Service Area.

RESOLVED:

1.1 That the Committee endorsed the proposed change to the frequency of Planning Committees to every four weeks and the necessary change to the Council's Constitution for a trial period of 12 months to enable the effect of the change on service delivery to be monitored, in particular the impact on customer service.

EDS/83 NATIONAL FOREST GREENPRINT: A 25 YEAR VISION FOR THE NATIONAL FOREST

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing presented the report and made the Committee aware of the National Forest Company's Draft Greenprint and the vision and actions included within the document. The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing outlined how they related to the Council's long-term aims to deliver economic regeneration, sustainable communities and environment enhancements within the District.

RESOLVED:

- 1.1 That the Committee endorsed the actions and outcomes outlined in the draft Greenprint and confirmed the Council's ongoing commitment to the creation of the National Forest.
- 1.2 That the Committee approved the comments contained in this report be provided to the National Forest Company as its initial response to its Vision with a commitment to participate in the future consultation exercises that are planned.

EDS/84 GYPSY AND TRAVELLER ACCOMMODATION ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing presented the report to the Committee and summarised the methodology for assessing the accommodation needs of Gypsies, travellers, and travelling show people that would be used to produce a new Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment.

RESOLVED:

1.1 That the Committee endorsed the Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment methodology as per Appendix 1 of the report.

EDS/85 WASTE COLLECTION SERVICES REVIEW

The Head of Environmental Services presented the report to the Committee and outlined the resource required to review all waste collection services. The Head of Environmental Services explained the need to establish terms of reference for a Member workshop to help shape future service standards and delivery models.

RESOLVED:

- 1.1 That the Committee agreed that the Council undertake a full review of Waste Collection Services considering current and potential service delivery standards and service delivery models.
- 1.2 That the Committee agreed that a member workshop be held to help inform and shape the design of the service and establish a service specification.
- 1.3 That the Committee agreed that Eunomia be commissioned to assist in the review and deliver the Members workshop.
- 1.4 That the Committee agreed that the outcome of the Waste Collection Services Review be the subject of a further report to Environment and Development Services Committee.

EDS/86 COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME

The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) presented the report to the Committee.

RESOLVED:

The Committee considered and approved the updated work programme.

EDS/87 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

RESOLVED:

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it would be likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

EXEMPT QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11

The Committee was informed that no exempt questions from Members of the Council had been received.

The meeting terminated at 6.30 pm.

COUNCILLOR MRS HAINES

VICE-CHAIRMAN

HOUSING & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

17 AUGUST 2023

<u>OPEN</u>

PRESENT:

Labour Group

Councillor G Rhind (Chair) and Councillor M Mulgrew (Vice-Chair) and Councillors A Archer, A Haynes, J Jackson, D Shepherd, B Stuart (substituting for Councillor D Pegg) S Taylor (substituting for Councillor S Harrison) and A Tilley.

Conservative Group

Councillors M Fitzpatrick, K Haines (substituting for Councillor D Corbin) and J Lowe.

Liberal Democrats

Councillor G Andrew (substituting for Councillor J Davies).

In attendance

Councillor A Wheelton

HCS/13 APOLOGIES

The Committee was informed that apologies had been received from Councillors S Harrison D Pegg (Labour Group), Councillor D Corbin (Conservative Group) and Councillor J Davies (Liberal Democrats).

HCS/14 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Committee noted that no Declarations of Interest had been received.

HCS/15 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 10

The Committee was informed that no questions from Members of the Public had been received.

HCS/16 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11

The Committee was informed that no questions from Members of the Council had been received.

MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE

HCS/17 CORPORATE PLAN PERFORMANCE 2023-24: (2023-2024 QUARTER 1 – 1 APRIL TO 30 JUNE)

The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) presented the quarterly report and updated the Committee regarding the relevant indicators, noting that the average housing relet indicator was still of concern.

Councillor A Tilley sought clarity regarding council house relets.

The Head of Housing informed the Committee that during the previous 8 weeks the number of properties relet equated to 3 months work and that the backlog of properties was almost complete. It was noted that there were 80 properties empty and of those 30 were ready to be relet. The Head of Housing noted that progress and improvements made with the two Contractors had been very positive.

Members raised concerns regarding voids.

The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) acknowledged that there were issues with voids and that the additional resources required would take time to put into place.

Councillor Fitzpatrick noted how hard the Housing team had worked and that it was recognised the issue was with the Contractors.

RESOLVED:

- 1.1 The Committee approved progress against performance targets set out in the Corporate Plan 2020-2024.
- 1.2 The Risk Register for the Committee's services were reviewed.

HCS/18 COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME

The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) presented the work programme to the Committee.

RESOLVED:

1.1 The Committee considered and approved the updated work programme.

HCS/19 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT [ACCESS TO INFORMATION] ACT 1985)

The Chairman may therefore move:

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

<u>ANY EXEMPT QUESTIONS RECEIVED BY MEMBERS OF THE</u> <u>COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11</u>

The Committee was informed that no exempt questions from Members of the Council had been received.

ACTIVE COMMUNITIES AND HEALTH STAFFING 2023

RESOLVED:

That the Committee approved the recommendations in the report.

PARK ROAD ACQUISTIONS

RESOLVED:

That the Committee approved the recommendations in the report.

CARELINE AND INDEPENDENT LIVING SERVICES

RESOLVED:

That the Committee approved the recommendations in the report.

NOVUS RATES

RESOLVED:

That the Committee approved the recommendations in the report.

The meeting terminated at 19:20 hours

COUNCILLOR G RHIND

CHAIR

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PLANNING COMMITTEE

22 August 2023

PRESENT:

Labour Group

Councillor G Jones (Chair) and Councillor Shepherd (Vice-Chair) Councillors J Carroll, M Gee, I Hudson, A Jones, L Mulgrew and K Storey.

Conservative Group

Councillors K Haines, A Kirke and P Watson (substituting for Councillor D Muller).

Liberal Democrats

Councillor J Davies

Non-Grouped

Councillor A Wheelton.

In Attendance

Councillor R Pearson Councillor S Taylor

PL/51 APOLOGIES

The Committee was informed apologies had been received from Councillor D Muller (Conservative Group).

PL/52 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Committee was informed that a Councillor Shepherd had declared a non-pecuniary interest in item PL/55.

PL/53 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO.11

The Committee was informed that no questions had been received.

MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE

PL/54 REPORT OF THE STRATEGIC DIRECTOR (SERVICE DELIVERY)

The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) submitted reports for consideration and determination by the Committee and presented oral reports to the Meeting to update Members as necessary. Consideration was then given thereto and decisions were reached as indicated.

PL/55 THE VARIATION OF CONDITION 31 OF OUTLINE PERMISSION REF. DMPA/2020/0543 (RELATING TO THE RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF UP TO 1,100 DWELLINGS, AN EXTRA CARE FACILITY, A LOCAL CENTRE COMPRISING: A SMALL SUPERMARKET WITH A FLOORSPACE NOT EXCEEDING 1000 SQM (NET); A SMALLER RETAIL UNIT WITH A TOTAL FLOORSPACE NOT EXCEEDING 200SQM (NET); A CAFE/RESTAURANT WITH A FLOORSPACE NOT EXCEEDING 200 SQM (NET); A PUBLIC HOUSE WITH A FLOORSPACE NOT EXCEEDING 650 SQM (NET); A DOCTORS SURGERY OR CRÈCHE; AND A COMMUNITY FACILITY, AS WELL AS A PRIMARY SCHOOL TOGETHER WITH ASSOCIATED PLAYING FIELDS AND THE PROVISION OF ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE (INCLUDING ROADS, FOOTPATHS, CYCLEWAYS, SUSTAINABLE URBAN DRAINAGE AND OPEN SPACE)) ON LAND AT NEW HOUSE FARM, ETWALL ROAD, MICKLEOVER, DERBY, DE3 0DN

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing presented the report to the and noted that the application was to be reconsidered by the Committee due to procedural issues at the previous meeting. The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing outlined the key aspects of the variation.

An Objector and the Applicant's Agent attended the meeting and addressed the Committee regarding the application.

Members raised concerns regarding the air quality and the amount of traffic at the A38 Kingsway junction.

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing informed the Committee that the original Environmental Statement submitted by the applicant remained valid and that the vehicle activity would be less than anticipated.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be approved as per the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery).

PL/56 THE VARIATION OF CONDITION NO. 3B (BIODIVERSITY NET GAIN) OF PERMISSION REF. DMPA/2019/0931

The Senior Planning Officer presented the report to the Committee and outlined the key aspects of the application and noted that the request was to allow for Biodiversity Net Gain to be delivered offsite.

As Local Ward Member Councillor Taylor addressed the Committee regarding the application raised concerns regarding the loss of biodiversity on the site.

The Senior Planning Officer explained to the Committee that overall, there would be a net gain.

Members raised concerns regarding the protection of wildlife onsite and the use of modified grasslands and sought clarity about what was being proposed.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be deferred to enable applications DMPA/2023/0583 and DMPA/2022/1159 to be considered together and for Biodiversity Net Gain and Landscape and Ecological Management Plan to be provided.

PL/57 APPROVAL OF RESERVED MATTERS (LANDSCAPING, LAYOUT, SCALE AND APPEARANCE) PURSUANT TO PHASE 1 (RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF UP TO 75 DWELLINGS) OF OUTLINE APPLICATION DMPA/2019/0931 FOR THE RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF UP TO 300 DWELLINGS, A LOCAL CENTRE COMPRISING A 1,600SQM FOOD STORE (CLASS A1 USE), 700SQM RESTAURANT/FAST FOOD (CLASS A3 USE) AND 550SQM PUB (CLASS A4 USE), TOGETHER WITH EMPLOYMENT LAND CONSISTING OF 2,000SQM CLASS B1(B) RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AND/OR B1(C) LIGHT INDUSTRIAL USES, 4,000SQM CLASS B2 GENERAL INDUSTRIAL USES AND 8,000SQM CLASS B8 STORAGE AND DISTRIBUTION USES, TOGETHER WITH ACCESS FROM THE WOODVILLE REGENERATION ROUTE (TO BE DELIVERED BY OTHERS), AND PUBLIC OPEN SPACE, LANDSCAPING AND ASSOCIATED DRAINAGE INFRASTRUCTURE

The Senior Planning Officer presented the report to the Committee and outlined the key aspects of the application and noted the interconnection with the previous application.

Members raised concerns regarding the protection of wildlife onsite and the use of modified grasslands and sought clarity about what was being proposed.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be deferred to enable applications DMPA/2023/0583 and DMPA/2022/1159 to be considered together and for Biodiversity Net Gain and Landscape and Ecological Management Plan to be provided.

PL/58 THE DEMOLITION OF THE EXISTING DWELLING, AND THE ERECTION OF 4NO. BUNGALOWS AT 7A PINFOLD LANE, REPTON, DERBY, DE65 6GH

The Committee was informed that Members of the Committee had attended a site visit earlier in the day.

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing presented the report and outlined the key aspects of the application and noted that the replacement planting would be covered by conditions to negate the removal of trees for access purposes.

An Objector attended the meeting and addressed the Committee regarding the application.

As a Local Ward Member Councillor K Haines addressed the Committee and raised concerns on behalf of the local residents.

Members raised concerns regarding the removal of mature trees, the lack of a tree officer's report, how the application contravened the Heritage Statement, the gradient of the access, the loss of open space and the harmful impact on the conservation area.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be refused contrary to the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery) for reasons related to the loss of an important open space which would be harmful to the character and appearance of the conservation area and its setting, the loss of trees, the demolition of a dwelling to create access that would be uncharacteristic in the street scene and use of steep access would be harmful to the amenity of neighbours.

PL/59 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985)

RESOLVED:

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it was likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

PL/60 <u>EXEMPT QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO</u> <u>COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE No 11.</u>

The Committee was informed that no questions had been received.

The meeting terminated at 19:50 hours.

COUNCILLOR G JONES

CHAIR

PLANNING COMMITTEE

19 September 2023

PRESENT:

Labour Group

Councillor G Jones (Chair) and Councillor Shepherd (Vice-Chair) Councillors M Gee, S Harrison (substituting for Councillor J Carroll) I Hudson, A Jones, L Mulgrew and K Storey.

Conservative Group

Councillors K Haines, A Kirke and D Muller.

Liberal Democrats

Councillor J Davies

Non-Grouped

Councillor A Wheelton.

In Attendance

Councillor G Andrew Councillor D Corbin Councillor L Singh Councillor S Taylor

PL/61 APOLOGIES

The Committee was informed apologies had been received from Councillor J Carroll (Labour Group).

PL/62 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Committee was informed that no declarations of interest had been received.

PL/63 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO.11

The Committee was informed that no questions had been received.

MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE

PL/64 REPORT OF THE STRATEGIC DIRECTOR (SERVICE DELIVERY)

The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) submitted reports for consideration and determination by the Committee and presented oral reports to the Meeting to update Members as necessary. Consideration was then given thereto and decisions were reached as indicated.

PL/65 THE CONSTRUCTION OF 2 X 2 STOREY HOUSEBLOCKS (WITH ADDITIONAL ROOFTOP PLANT), ADDITIONAL CAR PARKING, SUBSTATION AND GENERATOR AT HMP FOSTON HALL, UTTOXETER ROAD, FOSTON, DERBY, DE65 5DN - DMPA/2022/1594

The Committee was informed that Members had attended a site visit earlier in the day.

The Senior Planning Officer presented the report to the Committee outlining the key aspects of the application that included a conditioned 21:30 hours curfew, parking arrangements and access. It was noted that the application had been called in by Councillor G Lemmon.

An Objector and the Applicant's Agent attended the meeting and addressed the Committee regarding the application.

As a Local Ward Member Councillor G Andrew addressed the Committee raising concerns regarding parking arrangements on behalf of the local residents.

The Senior Planning Officer clarified that access was via a private road and was outside of the adopted highways and that the travel plan included plans to reduce private car use.

Members discussed the impact of parking arrangements on local residents, the fear of crime as a material consideration, lighting issues and improvements to landscaping. It was noted that Members requested that timber cladding be used on the building.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be approved as per the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery) subject to additional conditions regarding hard and soft landscaping and the requirement to ensure car parking was provided on site in advance of commencement of construction.

PL/66 PROPOSED EXTENSION TO EXISTING WORKSHOP AND PROVISION OF ADDITIONAL OFFICE SPACE, TOGETHER WITH A CHANGE OF USE OF EXISTING LAND AND TURNING HEAD RESULTING FROM THE

DEVELOPMENT OF THE KILN WAY LINK ROAD FOR THE CREATION 45NO. CAR PARKING SPACES, INCLUDING 24NO. ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING POINTS, ERECTION OF 10 NO. CYCLE SPACES, STAFF SEATING AREA AND LANDSCAPING FOR FIRST FENCE LTD. (3 PARKING SPACES TO BE ALLOCATED FOR SHARPE'S BROTHERS AND CO LTD) - DMPA/2023/0177

The Senior Planning Officer presented the report to the Committee and summarised the key aspects of the application noting the carparking arrangements and landscaping with the retention of trees. The Committee was informed that the application had been called in by Councillor S Taylor.

An Objector attended the meeting and addressed the Committee regarding the application.

Following comments from the Objector the Senior Planning Officer clarified that the landscaping proposals would be an improvement to what was currently on the site and that the movement of heavy goods vehicles would be covered by conditions.

As a Local Ward Member, Councillor S Taylor addressed the Committee and raised concerns on behalf of the local residents.

Members discussed the negative impact the proposals would have on a prominent gateway site, the public domain and the loss of open green space.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be refused contrary to the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery) due to the visual erosion of a significant landscaped gateway site which would result in an undue adverse impact on the character, appearance and visual amenity of the area. As such, the proposal failed to accord with Local Plan Part 1 policies BNE1 and BNE4 and the adverse impact was not considered to be outweighed by the increased in parking provision and additional planting proposed as part of the application.'

PL/67 CONSTRUCTION OF LANDSCAPED EARTH BUND AND ACOUSTIC FENCE DMPA/2022/1554

The Senior Planning Officer presented the report to the Committee outling the key aspects of the application that included the installation of fencing and proposed landscaping to the bund. The Committee was informed that the application had been called in by Councillor Corbin.

As Local Ward Member, Councillor Corbin addressed the Committee and raised concerns on behalf of local residents and the impact of the built wall.

Members supported the comments raised by Councillor Corbin regarding the impact on amenity and sought clarity regarding the heights of the bund and fencing and what had been approved at outline stage. The Senior Planning Officer explained to the Committee that the in outline matters a bund had been approved that was the height of the proposed bund and fence combined.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be refused contrary to the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery) due to the visually intrusive nature of the fence, that would be out of keeping with the character and appearance of the area and would result in the loss of visual amenity.

PL/68 CONTINUED USE OF THE LAND FOR THE PARKING, STORAGE, DISPLAY AND SALES OF MOTOR VEHICLES – DMPA/2023/0436

The Committee was informed that Members had attended a site visit earlier in the day.

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing addressed the Committee and outlined the key areas of the application. The Committee was informed of a late item received raising objections in relation to the anti-social behaviour, operating outside of approved hours and access to the site. The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing highlighted Tree Preservation Orders, the proposed landscape buffer to the frontage of the site and better management of drainage.

An Objector and the Applicant's Agent attended the meeting and addressed the Committee regarding the application.

As Local Ward Member, Councillor L Singh addressed the Committee and raised concerns on behalf of local residents.

As Local Ward Member, Councillor D Shepherd raised concerns regarding the operation of the site, the operating hours and complaints received in relation to late night car repairs.

Members raised queries regarding parking, the turning circle and the parking and unloading of car transporters on the roadside.

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing clarified that there were clear demarcations for parking bays and the turning circle on site and that the unloading and parking of the car transporters on the roadside was not permitted as per the conditions and if this was breached then enforcement action could be taken.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be approved as per the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery) subject to amendments to conditions 3 and 7to reduce the timeframe from six to three months.

PL/69 THE RETENTION OF THE EXISTING VEHICLE STORAGE AREA TO THE REAR OF THE SITE, INCLUDING AN OFFICE BUILDING – DMPA/2023/0415

The Committee was informed that Members had attended a site visit earlier in the day.

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing presented the report and summarised the application.

An Objector and the Applicant's Agent attended the meeting and addressed the Committee regarding the application.

As Local Ward Member, Councillor L Singh addressed the Committee and raised concerns on behalf of local residents.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be approved as per the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery) subject to amendments to conditions 3 and 7 to reduce the timeframe from six to three months.

PL/70 CHANGE OF USE FROM A VEHICLES REPAIR WORKSHOP (USE CLASS B2) TO RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AND/OR INDUSTRIAL PROCESSES (USE CLASS E)

The Committee was informed that Members had attended a site visit earlier in the day.

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing addressed the Committee and outlined the proposals within the report.

An Objector and the Applicant's Agent attended the meeting and addressed the Committee regarding the application.

Councillor Singh addressed the Committee as Local Ward Member and raised concerns on behalf of local residents.

Members sought clarity regarding the difference between the Use Class B1 and Use Class E and requested more information regarding the intended use of the building.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be deferred for further information regarding Use Classes and clarity on the end user.

PL/71 PROPOSED TREE PRESERVATION ORDER 552 – 1- HOLDEN HOUSE, CANAL BANK, SHARLOW

The Planning Delivery Team Leader presented the report to the Committee and sought approval for the Tree Preservation Order.

RESOLVED:

1.1 The Committee confirmed the Tree Preservation Order 552.

PL/72 TREE PRESERVATION ORDER 553 – 7 CHAPEL STREET, TICKNALL, DERBY

The Planning Delivery Team Leader presented the report to the Committee and sought approval for the Tree Preservation Order.

RESOLVED:

1.1 The Committee confirmed the Tree Preservation Order 553.

PL/73 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985)

RESOLVED:

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it was likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

PL/74 <u>EXEMPT QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO</u> <u>COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE No 11.</u>

The Committee was informed that no questions had been received.

The meeting terminated at 21:05 hours.

COUNCILLOR G JONES

CHAIR

ENVIRONMENTAL AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE

21 September 2023

PRESENT:

<u>OPEN</u>

Labour Group

Councillor S Taylor (Chair) and Councillor K Storey (Vice-Chair) and Councillors A Archer, I Hudson, J Jackson, V Redfern, B Stuart and A Tilley.

<u>Conservative Group</u> Councillors K Haines, J Lowe and P Watson.

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Liberal Democrats

Councillor G Andrew

Non-Grouped

Councillor A Wheelton

EDS/23 APOLOGIES

The Committee was informed that apologies had been received from Councillor A Tilley (Labour Group)

EDS/24 MINUTES

The Open Minutes of meetings held on 02 March 2023, 20 April 2023, 30 May 2023 and 10 August 2023 were received and signed by the Chair of the Committee.

EDS/25 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Committee was informed that no declarations of interest had been received.

EDS/26 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 10

The Committee was informed that no questions from Members of the Public had been received.

EDS/27 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11

The Committee was informed that no questions from Members of the Council had been received.

MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE

EDS/28 BUDGET SETTING APPROACH 2024-25

The Strategic Director (Corporate Resources) addressed the Committee and summarised the key areas within the report noting the three key principles to setting the budget. It was explained how the budgets would be Service and Member lead and the consultation process outlined.

Members commended the report and sought clarity regarding consideration of the Local Plan.

The Strategic Director (Corporate Resources) clarified that the Budget supported the Local Plan.

RESOLVED:

1.1 The Committee noted the budget setting approach within the report and Members provided feedback accordingly to the Strategic Director (Corporate Resources).

EDS/29 WOODVILLE LINK ROAD BIODIVERSITY NET GAIN PROJECT -PROGRESS UPDATE

The Head of Cultural and Community Services presented the report to the Committee and summarised the main areas within the report noting the Biodiversity work that had been undertaken the previous year. The Head of Cultural and Community Services outlined the technical details contained within the appendices to the report.

Members commended the report and sought clarity regarding maintenance costs, the involvement of the Wildlife Trust and the possibility of site visits.

The Head of Cultural and Community Services explained to the Committee that maintenance costs were written into the agreement with Derbyshire County Council which included a contingency fund. The Committee was informed that voluntary groups assisted with the monitoring and maintenance of sites and that the Derbyshire Wildlife Trust had ongoing involvement. It was noted that site visits could be arranged for Members and that information regarding the use of the contingency fund could be shared with the Committee.

RESOLVED:

1.1 The Committee acknowledged the progress of the Woodville Link Road Biodiversity Net Gain project during 2022 and the outstanding works to be completed.

EDS/30 ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S CLIMATE AND ENVIRONMENT ACTION PLAN (2021-30)

The Head of Environmental Services addressed the Committee and outlined the proposed amendments to the three key reports that covered the Carbon Emissions Progress for 2022/23, the review of the Environment Action Plan proposals and the review of the Environmental Policy.

The Chair thanked all those involved in the work undertaken and commended the report.

Members discussed the merits of the report and suggested items that could be included such as the number of trees removed due to planning, the electrification of fleet vehicles and dates and timescales for proposals.

The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) informed the Committee that Members comments would be taken on board. **RESOLVED**:

- 1.1 The Committee noted the current progress made in reducing carbon emissions as described in the SDDC Annual Carbon Reduction Progress Report 2022/23 attached as Appendix 1 to the report.
- 1.2 The Committee approved the recommendations set out in the Annual Climate and Environmental Action Plan Review 2023 attached to the report as Appendix 2.
- 1.3 The Committee approved the proposed amendments to the Climate and Environment Action Plan, attached to the report as Appendix 3.
- 1.4 The Committee recognised that to achieve the Climate Emergency declaration to "Strive to make South Derbyshire District Council carbon neutral by 2030" that the transformation actions T1 to T6, as per Appendix 3 attached to the report, would need to be included in the future Council Plan.
- 1.5 The Committee approved that the current South Derbyshire District Council's In-house Carbon Emission Roadmap would need to be revised to reflect the current realities of delivering net zero emissions.

1.6 The Committee approved a revised Environment Policy as attached to the report as Appendix 4.

EDS/31 ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGE POINT INFRASTRUCTURE

The Head of Environmental Services presented the report to the Committee and outlined the key areas of the report and sought approval of the recommendations.

Members considered the report and sought clarity regarding area choice for electric vehicle charging points and the maintenance and repair of electric vehicle charging points.

The Head of Environmental Services informed the Committee that the most practicable sites had been chosen and that electrical charging points were not owned by South Derbyshire District Council and therefore the private providers were responsible for maintenance and repair.

RESOLVED:

- 1.1 The Committee approved the updated Electric Vehicle (EV) Charge Point Infrastructure Plan to deliver a phased approach to delivering residential Electric Vehicle charging infrastructure in an equitable way and with due consideration to the geography of South Derbyshire.
- 1.2 The Committee approved the receipt of funding from D2N2 for the installation of electric charge points at the Boardman Road Depot and approved the acceptance of additional funding for extra charge points if it becomes available.
- 1.3 The Committee recommended to Finance and Management Committee the approval of the proposed reallocation of £50,000 originally earmarked for the installation of electric charge points at the Boardman Road Depot to fund the installation of electric charge points at an alternative suitable location.
- 1.4 If successful this Committee approved the receipt of funding from Derbyshire County Council under the Low Emissions Vehicle Infrastructure project for the installation of electric charge points at the relevant South Derbyshire District Council land nominated in the project bid.
- 1.5 The Committee welcomed that the Electric Vehicle Charge Point Infrastructure Plan exploited the current external funding opportunity from both the UK government and third-party partnership. The Committee noted that in doing so the Plan would represent a further step in bridging the acknowledged gap

between available Council funding and the Council's climate neutral ambitions.

EDS/32 **DESIGNATION OF FINDERN NEIGHBOURHOOD AREA**

The Planning Policy Assistant addressed the Committee and presented the report to the Committee and sought approval of the recommendation.

Members considered the report and supported the first step to enable Findern to become a Neighbourhood Area and develop and Local Neighbourhood Plan.

RESOLVED:

1.1. The Committee formally designated the Findern Neighbourhood Area in accordance with the application from Findern Parish Council, attached to the report as Appendix 2.

EDS/33 MEMBERSHIP OF THE LOCAL PLAN WORKING GROUP

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing addressed the Committee and outlined the history of previous Local Plan Working Groups and the necessity to reform the group in line with Political Proportionality.

RESOLVED:

- 1.1 The Committee agreed the appointment of five Members from the Committee to the Local Plan Working Group (LPWG).
- 1.2 The Committee approved that, in line with the Council's political proportionality, to receive three nominations from the Labour Group and two nominations from the Conservative Group, with appointments to be confirmed at the next meeting of Full Council.

EDS/34 THE DEPARTMENT FOR LEVELLING UP, HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES CONSULTATION ON IMPLEMENTATION OF PLAN-MAKING REFORMS

The Planning Policy Team Leader presented the report to the Committee and summarised South Derbyshire District Council's consultation response.

The Committee considered the report and supported the consultation responses.

RESOLVED:

1.1 The Committee approved the submission of the response to the consultation in line with officer recommendations as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report.

EDS/35 COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME

The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) presented the report to the Committee and confirmed that dates for future reports were to be reviewed and noted that the Planning Service Review would be reported to the Committee at the next meeting.

RESOLVED:

1.1 The Committee considered and approved the updated work programme, attached as Annexe A to the report.

EDS/36 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

RESOLVED:

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it would be likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

<u>MINUTES</u>

The Exempt Minutes of the Meetings held on 02 March 2023, 20 April 2023 and 30 May 2023 with were received.

EXEMPT QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11

The Committee was informed that no exempt questions from Members of the Council had been received.

OPERATIONAL SERVICES COMMERCIALISATION PLAN 2023-26

The Committee approved the recommendations within the report.

The meeting terminated at 19:40 hours.

COUNCILLOR S TAYLOR

CHAIR

HOUSING & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

28 SEPTEMBER 2023

<u>OPEN</u>

<u>PRESENT:</u>

Labour Group

Councillor G Rhind (Chair) and Councillor M Mulgrew (Vice-Chair) and

Councillors A Archer, A Haynes, J Jackson, D Pegg, V Redfern (substituting for Councillor S Harrison), D Shepherd and A Tilley.

Conservative Group

Councillors D Corbin, M Fitzpatrick and J Lowe.

Liberal Democrats

Councillor G Andrew (substituting for Councillor J Davies).

In attendance

Councillor A Wheelton.

HCS/25 APOLOGIES

The Committee was informed that apologies had been received from Councillors S Harrison (Labour Group) and Councillor J Davies (Liberal Democrats).

HCS/26 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Committee noted that no Declarations of Interest had been received.

HCS/27 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 10

The Committee was informed that no questions from Members of the Public had been received.

HCS/28 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11

The Committee was informed that no questions from Members of the Council had been received.

MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE

HCS/29 BUDGET SETTING APPROACH 2024-25

The Head of Finance presented the report to the Committee highlighting the principles at section 3.6 of the report adding that the new proposals would reduce ad-hoc budget requests.

Members noted that they looked forward to working with the new approach and that the training and workshops provided had been excellent.

RESOLVED:

1.1 The Committee noted the budget setting approach within the report and encouraged Members to provide feedback to the Strategic Director (Corporate Resources).

HCS/30 UPDATE TO PARKS AND GREEN SPACES SERVICE STANDARDS POLICY

The Head of Cultural and Community Services presented the report to the Committee which included the section on Biodiversity Net Gain and Wildlife sites.

RESOLVED:

1.1 The Committee approved the updated Parks and Green Spaces Service Standards Policy which included the addition of the Biodiversity and Nature Areas and local wildlife sites.

HCS/31 COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME

The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) presented the work programme to the Committee.

RESOLVED:

1.1 The Committee considered and approved the updated work programme.

HCS/32 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT [ACCESS TO INFORMATION] ACT 1985)

The Chairman may therefore move:

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs

of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

ANY EXEMPT QUESTIONS RECEIVED BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11

The Committee was informed that no exempt questions from Members of the Council had been received.

SHARPE'S POTTERY HERITAGE AND ARTS TRUST

RESOLVED:

That the Committee approved the recommendations in the report.

LONG TERM LEASE OF SHARDLOW ALLOTMENTS TO SHARDLOW AND GREAT WILNE PARISH COUNCIL

RESOLVED:

That the Committee approved the recommendations in the report.

The meeting terminated at 18:25 hours.

COUNCILLOR G RHIND

CHAIR

PLANNING COMMITTEE

17 October 2023

PRESENT:

Labour Group

Councillor G Jones (Chair) and Councillor Shepherd (Vice-Chair) Councillors J Carroll, M Gee, A Jones, L Mulgrew, M. Mulgrew (substitute for Cllr I Hudson) and K Storey.

Conservative Group

Councillors K Haines, A Kirke and D Muller.

Liberal Democrats

Councillor G Andrew (substitute for Cllr J Davies)

Non-Grouped

Councillor A Wheelton.

In Attendance

Councillors A Archer, A Haynes, G Rhind, L Singh. S Taylor, A Tilley and N Tilley.

PL/75 APOLOGIES

The Committee was informed apologies had been received from Councillors I Hudson (Labour Group) and Councillor J Davies (Liberal Democrats Group).

PL/76 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Committee was informed that Councillor A Jones declared a pecuniary interest regarding item PL/87 by virtue of being a Parish Councillor and would leave the Chamber whilst the item was considered.

PL/77 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO.11

The Committee was informed that no questions had been received.

MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE

PL/78 REPORT OF THE STRATEGIC DIRECTOR (SERVICE DELIVERY)

The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) submitted reports for consideration and determination by the Committee and presented oral reports to the Meeting to update Members as necessary. Consideration was then given thereto and decisions were reached as indicated.

PL/79 CHANGE OF USE FROM A DWELLING (USE CLASS C3) TO A CHILDREN'S HOME (USE CLASS C2) AT 22 MILLFIELD STREET, WOODVILLE – DMPA/2023/0687

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing Committee presented the report to the Committee and outlined the key areas of the application noting objections received from the Parish Council.

An Objector and the Applicant attended the meeting and addressed the Committee regarding the application.

As Local Ward Member Councillor Taylor attended the meeting and addressed the Committee raising concerns on behalf of local residents.

Councillor M Gee addressed the Committee as Local Ward Councillor and raised concerns regarding the application.

Members raised concerns regarding a potential to increases the number of children in residence.

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing confirmed that planning permission would be required for additional children to be resident in the home.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be approved as per the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery).

PL/80 ERECTION OF 14NO. DWELLINGHOUSES, WITH ASSOCIATED PARKING, INTERNAL ROAD AND AMENITY SPACE, ALONG WITH THE CREATION OF ACCESS AT MERRILEES, CADLEY HILL ROAD, SWADLINCOTE – DMPA/2020/0127

The Planning Delivery Team Leader presented the report and summarised the application's key areas noting the acoustic report and an updated condition 5.

An Objector and the Applicant's Agent attended the meeting and addressed the Committee regarding the application.

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Following comments from the Objector the Planning Delivery Team Leader confirmed that the hawthorn bush was to be cut back but not removed.

As Local Ward Councillor, Councillor A Haynes addressed the Committee raising concerns on behalf of local residents.

Councillor Wheelton sought clarity regarding the number of trees to be removed.

The Planning Delivery Team Leader confirmed that four trees were to be removed.

Members raised concerns regarding noise mitigation factors, the loss of trees, inadequate landscaping, poor design and loss of amenity.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be refused contrary to the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery) due to noise which included the impact on future occupants' amenity and the loss of trees and hedges and the unacceptable landscaping.

PL/81 THE ERECTION OF A COMMERCIAL BUILDING TO FORM FIVE UNITS FOR STORAGE PURPOSES AT ASH TREE FARM, ROSLISTON ROAD, WALTON ON TRENT – DMPA/2023/0221

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing presented the report and summarised the key points of the application noting the hours of operation and that no objections had been raised by statutory consultees.

The Applicant's Architect attended the meeting and addressed the Committee regarding the application.

As Local Ward Member, Councillor Wheelton addressed the Committee raising concerns on behalf of local residents and noted the objection by the Parish Council.

Councillor Muller noted the importance of promoting small businesses in the area.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be approved as per the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery).

PL/82 THE ERECTION OF A TWO STOREY FRONT, REAR AND SIDE EXTENSION, DETACHED GARAGE AND HARDSTANDING AT 12 AVON CLOSE, STENSON FIELDS, DERBY, DE24 3AP – DMPA/2023/0739

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing addressed the Committee and presented the report. The Committee was asked to note the alterations made to the proposal following refusal of a previous application.

Planning Committee 17 October 2023 OPEN

The Applicant's Agent attended the meeting and addressed the Committee regarding the application.

As Local Ward Member, Councillor L Singh attended the meeting and addressed the Committee regarding the application raising concerns on behalf of local residents.

Members discussed concerns raised by Councillor L Singh and requested that correspondence be sent to applicant asking them to ensure that all building materials be stored within the site and not positioned so as to block any pedestrian walkways.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be approved as per the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery).

PL/83 CHANGE OF USE FROM A VEHICLES REPAIR WORKSHOP (USE CLASS B2) TO RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AND/OR INDUSTRIAL PROCESSES (USE CLASS E) DMPA/2023/0546

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing addressed the Committee and presented the report outlining the Class E Use and noting the amendment to Condition 4 of the previous report.

As Local Ward Member, Councillor L Singh addressed the Committee and raised concerns on behalf of local residents.

Members raised concerns regarding the potential use of the building and the need to ensure that the area of land used for turning and deliveries was not obstructed.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be approved as per the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery) subject to an amendment to condition 4 to insert the word 'deliveries' after 'parking and turning'.

PL/84 THE FELLING OF 9 TREES COVERED BY SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL TREE PRESERVATION ORDER NO.213 AND THE FORMATION OF A VEHICULAR AND PEDESTRIAN ACCESS TO SERVE 247 HEARTHCOTE ROAD, SWADLINCOTE, DE11 9DU – DMPA/2022/0302

The Head Planning and Strategic Housing addressed the Committee and presented the report outlining the key areas of the report and noted that land ownership was not a planning consideration.

As Local Ward Member, Councillor N Tilley attended the meeting and addressed the Committee raising concerns on behalf of local residents.

Member raised concerns in relation to the removal of trees, the loss of hedgerows, the impact on biodiversity and sought clarity regarding the use of the entry and exit points.

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing clarified that signage would be used and a device installed to ensure the correct use of the entry and exit points.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be refused contrary to the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery) due to the harmful visual impact on the character and appearance of the area through the construction of the solid brick wall.

PL/85 REGULATION 77 APPLICATION FOR THE INSTALLATION OF 2 NO. PACKAGE TREATMENT PLANTS TO SUPPORT THE CONVERSION OF A FORMER AGRICULTURAL BARN TO 2 NO. DWELLINGS AT STONEHOUSE FARM, ASHBY ROAD, BOUNDARY – DMPA/2023/0826

The Planning Delivery Team Leader addressed the Committee and presented the report.

Members considered the application and supported the officer's recommendations.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be approved as per the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery).

Councillor A Jones left the meeting.

PL/86 FELLING, PRUNING AND POLLARDING OF TREES COVERED BY TREE PRESERVATION ORDER 207 AT LAND AT THE CUTTING, HARTSHORNE ROAD. WOODVILLE. SWADLINCOTE DMPA/2023/0923

The Planning Delivery Team Leader addressed the Committee and presented the report.

Members considered the application and supported the officer's recommendations.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be approved as per the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery).

Councillor A Jones returned to the meeting.

PL/87 THE PRUNING OF TREES COVERED BY SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL TREE PRESERVATION ORDER NO. 131 AT WILLOW PARK WAY, ASTON ON TRENT, DE72 2DF – DMOT/2022/0027

The Planning Delivery Team Leader addressed the Committee and presented the report.

Members considered the application and supported the officer's recommendations.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be approved as per the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery).

PL/88 APPEALS

The Committee noted the planning appeal decision in relation to the following application:

Reference	Place	Ward	Outcome	Decision Level
DMPA/2022/0176	Willington	Willington	Allow	Delegated

PL/89 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985)

RESOLVED:

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it was likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

PL/90 EXEMPT QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE No 11.

The Committee was informed that no questions had been received.

The meeting terminated at 20:25 hours.

COUNCILLOR G JONES

CHAIR

ENVIRONMENTAL AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE

09 November 2023

PRESENT:

<u>OPEN</u>

Labour Group

Councillor S Taylor (Chair) and Councillor K Storey (Vice-Chair) and Councillors A Archer, I Hudson, J Jackson, V Redfern, B Stuart and A Tilley.

Conservative Group

Councillors K Haines, J Lowe and P Watson.

Liberal Democrats

Councillor G Andrew

Non-Grouped

Councillor A Wheelton

EDS/40 <u>APOLOGIES</u>

The Committee was informed that apologies had been received from Councillor Hudson (Labour Group).

EDS/41 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Committee was informed that no declarations of interest had been received.

EDS/42 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 10

The Committee was informed that no questions from Members of the Public had been received.

EDS/43 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11

The Committee was informed that no questions from Members of the Council had been received.

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EDS/44 CORPORATE PLAN 2020-24: PERFORMANCE REPORT 2023-24 (QUARTER 2 – 1 JULY TO 30 SEPTEMBER)

The Head of Cultural and Community Services presented the report highlighting that the measures for this Committee were on track and there was one update for this Committee's Risk Register.

Members raised concerns on the development of Swadlincote Town Centre, new initiatives for waste and recycling, an indication of when figures would be available for Biodiversity Net Gain and an update on the appointment of the Climate and Environment Officer.

The Head of Cultural and Community Services informed the Committee that developments for Swadlincote included indoor market event space and ongoing development of the Delph. The Head of Operational Services confirmed to the Committee that the dry recycling rate was static and that a joint approach with Derbyshire County Council would be explored which would include the mandate for separate food waste from 2025.

The Head of Cultural and Community Services informed the Committee that the Climate and Environment Officer had been appointed and had joined South Derbyshire District Council.

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing informed the Committee that it was expected that figures for Biodiversity Net Gain would be available between March and April 2024

RESOLVED:

1.1 The Committee approved progress against performance targets set out in the Corporate Plan 2020 - 2024.

1.2 The Committee reviewed the Risk Register for the Committee's services.

EDS/45 CCTV IN PRIVATE HIRE VEHICLES POLICY

The Senior Licensing Officer presented the report confirming that the consultation had been completed and that there was not enough evidence to make CCTV in private hire vehicles a mandatory requirement.

Members raised queries about the number of responses that had been received from the public and noted it was a disappointing result.

The Senior Licensing Officer confirmed to the Committee that the next consultation would be extended to a wider audience.

RESOLVED:

1.1 The Committee noted the report.

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1.2 The Committee approved the active monitoring of complaints and investigations by Licensing Officers with a view to assessing the need for mandatory CCTV in licensed vehicles on an ongoing basis.

EDS/46 FIXED PENALTY NOTICES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL OFFENCES

The Head of Environmental Services presented the report to the Committee highlighting the proposed changes to fixed penalty notices and South Derbyshire District Council's performance in comparison to national statistics.

Members requested a further report in November 2024 to review the levels of offences and fines. Members wished to express thanks and support to Dennis Bateman of the Environmental Services team for his contributions over several years of service with South Derbyshire District Council.

RESOLVED:

- 1.1. The Committee approved the proposed changes as per the report, to the local use of prescribed types of Fixed Penalty Notices and where appropriate, to take enforcement action in relation to environmental offences.
- 1.2. The Committee authorised delegated authority to Environmental Officers to issue fixed penalty notices in accordance with the approved variable scale within the report.

EDS/47 APPROVAL OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING STATEMENT 2022-23

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing presented the report with an overview of the Section 106 Agreement obligations, contributions not yet allocated and the projects that had been delivered.

Members noted an excellent report and thanked all concerned for the good work at Badger Hollow and improvements to play equipment.

RESOLVED:

1.1 The Committee approved the publication of the Infrastructure Funding Statement (IFS) for the 2022-23 financial year, attached to the report as Appendix A.

EDS/48 **PREPARING FOR THE BIODIVERSITY DUTY**

The Head of Cultural and Community Services presented the report highlighting the need for the document to be published by 01 January 2024.

Members discussed various points in the report including the potential impact to staff, the fees associated with Pre-Application Planning, raising the BNG rate from 10% to 20%, charges to developers, network mapping, wildlife sites of less than 20 acres, visibility of the final report and a requirement for training for Members.

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing confirmed to the Committee that a report would be provided in early 2024 in conjunction with the Local Plan Working Group and that although Pre-Application charging had not been introduced it would be considered in the future due to the financial impact of resourcing. The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing confirmed that local wildlife and sites of scientific interest had been mapped and that the Council's Ecologist would be assessing the BNG metrics, understanding sites adjacent to wildlife corridors, renewable energy survey and the mapping application in conjunction with Derbyshire Wildlife Trust.

The Chair confirmed that although legislation requires a minimum 10% BNG, it may be possible to increase this to 20% via the Local Plan. The Chair confirmed that the final report would be reviewed with the Local Plan Working Group prior to publication in January 2024.

RESOLVED:

- 1.1 The Committee noted the contents of the report and approved that the information contained within the report and Appendix 1 to the report be compiled into a Biodiversity Duty document for publication by 01 January 2024.
- 1.2 The Committee delegated authority to the Strategic Director (Service Delivery) in consultation with the Chair of the Environmental and Development Services Committee and the Local Plan Working Group to approve the Biodiversity Duty statement before its publication.

EDS/49 COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME

The Head of Cultural and Community Services presented the report to the Committee.

RESOLVED:

1.1 The Committee considered and approved the updated work programme, attached as Annexe A to the report.

EDS/50 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

RESOLVED:

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it would be likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

EXEMPT QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11

The Committee was informed that no exempt questions from Members of the Council had been received.

PLANNING SERVICES REVIEW

The Committee approved the recommendations within the report.

The meeting terminated at 19:25 hours.

COUNCILLOR S TAYLOR

CHAIR

PLANNING COMMITTEE

14 November 2023

PRESENT:

Labour Group

Councillor G Jones (Chair) and Councillor Shepherd (Vice-Chair) Councillors J Carroll, J Jackson (substitute for Cllr I Hudson) A Jones, L Mulgrew, M. Mulgrew (substitute for Cllr M Gee) and K Storey.

Conservative Group

Councillors K Haines, A Kirke and D Muller.

Liberal Democrats

Councillor J Davies

Non-Grouped

Councillor A Wheelton.

In Attendance

Councillors D Corbin, A Tilley and N Tilley

PL/91 APOLOGIES

The Committee was informed apologies had been received from Councillors I Hudson and M Gee (Labour Group).

PL/92 TO RECEIVE THE OPEN MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS:

The Open Minutes of Planning Committee meetings held on 18 October 2022, 15 November 2022, 10 January 2023, 07 February 2023, 07 March 2023, 21 March 2023, 04 April 2023, 06 June 2023, 27 June 2023 and 08 August 2023 were noted, approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.

It was noted that in the Minutes of 08 August 2023 at PL/39 the Applicant did not attend the meeting and address the Committee.

PL/93 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Committee was informed that Councillor Muller declared a personal, non-pecuniary interest in Item PL/105 by virtue of being a County Councillor.

The Committee was informed that Councillor Muller declared a personal, non-pecuniary interest in Item PL/106 by virtue of being a County Councillor.

PL/94 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO.11

The Committee was informed that no questions had been received. Page 88 of 184

MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE

PL/95 **REPORT OF THE STRATEGIC DIRECTOR (SERVICE DELIVERY)**

The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) submitted reports for consideration and determination by the Committee and presented oral reports to the Meeting to update Members as necessary. Consideration was then given thereto and decisions were reached as indicated.

PL/96 THE VARIATION OF CONDITION NO. 3B (BIODIVERSITY NET GAIN) OF PERMISSION REF. DMPA/2019/0931 ON LAND NORTH OF OCCUPATION LANE (WOODVILLE REGENERATION AREA). WOODVILLE. SWADLINCOTE. DMPA/2023/0583

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing addressed the Committee and requested that Members consider deferring the application as it concerned biodiversity net gain which was a complex and evolving area and noted that the Council had scheduled an information session on the topic on 21 November 2023. In addition, it was explained that planning officers had received additional information from the applicant which would need to be considered by the Committee.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be deferred to allow Members to attend Biodiversity Net Gain Training on 21 November 2023.

PL/97 APPROVAL OF RESERVED MATTERS (LANDSCAPING, LAYOUT, SCALE AND APPEARANCE) PURSUANT TO PHASE 1 (RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF UP TO 75 DWELLINGS) OF OUTLINE APPLICATION DMPA/2019/0931 FOR THE RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF UP TO 300 DWELLINGS. A LOCAL CENTRE COMPRISING A 1.600SQM FOOD STORE (CLASS A1 USE), 700SQM RESTAURANT/FAST FOOD (CLASS A3 USE) AND 550SQM PUB (CLASS A4 USE), TOGETHER WITH EMPLOYMENT LAND CONSISTING OF 2.000SQM CLASS B1(B) RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AND/OR B1(C) LIGHT INDUSTRIAL USES, 4.000SQM CLASS B2 GENERAL INDUSTRIAL USES AND 8.000SQM CLASS B8 STORAGE AND DISTRIBUTION USES. TOGETHER WITH ACCESS FROM THE WOODVILLE REGENERATION ROUTE (TO BE DELIVERED BY OTHERS), AND PUBLIC OPEN SPACE, LANDSCAPING AND ASSOCIATED DRAINAGE INFRASTRUCTURE. DMPA/2022/1159

> The Head of Planning requested that the Committee considered deferring the item as it was intrinsically linked to the previous item.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be deferred to allow Members to attend Biodiversity Net Gain Training on 21 November 2023.

PL/98 THE ERECTION OF AN AMENITY BLOCK BROUGHTON CARAVAN PARK. PLOT 1A. SUTTON ROAD, CHURCH BROUGHTON, DERBY, DE65 5DB. DMPA/2022/1080

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing addressed the Committee and presented the report summarising the proposals.

As Local Ward Member, Councillor D Muller raised the concerns of former Ward Councillor J Patten.

Councillor J Jackson supported the application and considered the impact on diversity.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be approved as per the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery).

PL/99 CHANGE OF USE OF AGRICULTURAL LAND TO A SINGLE PITCH TRAVELLER SITE AND CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW ACCESS ON LAND WEST OF CHURCH BROUGHTON CARAVAN PARK, SUTTON ROAD, CHURCH BROUGHTON, DE65 5DB, DMPA/2022/1498

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing addressed the Committee and presented the report noting late objections that had been received from Church Broughton Parish Council. The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing summarised the key areas of the application.

As Local Ward Member, Councillor D Muller addressed the Committee in support of the proposals.

Members considered the report and sought clarity regarding the proposed diversion of the footpath and the ownership of land.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be deferred to allow for the applicant to submit more information regarding the public right of way diversion and confirmation of land ownership.

PL/100 CHANGE OF USE TO SUI GENERIS (CAFE AND DRINKING ESTABLISHMENT) AND PROPOSED KITCHEN EXTRACT FLUE AT NOTSA. 7 DERBY ROAD. ASTON-ON-TRENT, DE72 2AE. DMPA/2023/1043

The Planning Delivery Team Leader addressed the Committee and summarised the proposals.

As Local Ward Member, Councillor Corbin attended the meeting and addressed the Committee in support of the application.

Members considered the proposals and supported the officer's recommendations.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be approved as per the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery).

PL/101 RETROSPECTIVE APPLICATION FOR THE CREATION OF A MAINTENANCE TRACK ON LAND AT BADWAY LANE, CHURCH BROUGHTON, DERBY DMPA/2023/0979

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing presented the report and noted a late item received from the Parish Council in opposition to the application. The Head of Planning outlined the application noting letters of objection received from the public and the principles of the development.

An Objector and the Applicant's Agent attended the meeting and addressed the Committee regarding the application.

As Local Ward Member, Councillor J Davies addressed the Committee raising concerns on behalf of local residents.

Following concerns raised by Councillor J Davies, the Head of Planning and Strategic Housing clarified that it was for the Committee to determine if the proposal was visually acceptable and was excessive development.

Members discussed the harmful impact the proposal would have on the countryside.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be refused contrary to the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery) due to the unnecessary requirement of the track to allow for effective maintenance of the hedgerow. Furthermore, the track would intrude into the Countryside and have a detrimental impact on the appearance, biodiversity and amenity value of the hedgerow and rural location contrary to policies BNE3, BNE4 and BNE7.

PL/102 THE INSTALLATION OF A NEW ACCESS. DMPA/2023/0930

The Committee was informed that Members had attended a site visit earlier in the day.

The Planning Delivery Team Leader presented the report to the Committee noting the removal of hedgerows and that the County Highways Authority had no objection as long as the splays could be achieved. The Committee was informed that Derbyshire Wildlife Trust recommendations for offsetting had been included in Condition 3 and the maintaining as much of the hedgerow as possible was contained within Condition 8.

An Objector and the Applicant's Agent attended the meeting and addressed the Committee regarding the application.

As Local Ward Member, Councillor Wheelton addressed the Committee raising concerns on behalf of the local residents.

As Local Ward Member, the Chair of the Committee echoed the concerns raised by Councillor Wheelton.

Members discussed the issues of road safety, the impact on biodiversity, the reduction in the width and removal hedgerow and how the proposals were contrary to local planning policy.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be refused due to the significant loss of hedgerow which would be detrimental to the character, appearance and biodiversity value of the site contrary to policies BNE3, BNE4 and BNE7.

PL/103 DEMOLITION OF EXISTING AND ERECTION OF A REPLACEMENT BOWLS PAVILION AT EUREKA BOWLS CLUB, EUREKA PARK, NEWHALL ROAD, SWADLINCOTE DMPA/2023/1162

The Planning Delivery Team Leader addressed the Committee and summarised the report and sought approval of the proposals.

The Committee considered the report and supported the officer's recommendations.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be approved as per the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery).

PL/104 INSTALLATION OF 1 X 48 SHEET GABLE MOUNTED DIGITAL ADVERTISING DISPLAY UNIT AT 1 HIGH STREET, WOODVILLE, SWADLINCOTE. DMPA/2022/1621

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing addressed the Committee and presented the report that had been updated following concerns raised by Councillor M Gee at a previous meeting. The Committee was informed that officers had met with the Highway Authority and the advance road markings would be reinstated.

Councillor M Mulgrew addressed the Committee on behalf of Councillor M Gee in objection to a permanent permission requested.

The Committee considered the application and discussed the length of permission requested.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be approved as per the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery) subject to an amendment so that permission would be granted for a five year period only.

PL/105 CONSULTATION FROM THE COUNTY COUNCIL ON APPLICATION REF. **CW9/1022/22 SEEKING PERMISSION FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION** AND OPERATION OF THE SWADLINCOTE RESOURCE RECOVERY PARK (SRRP) COMPRISING AN ENERGY RECOVERY FACILITY (ERF) AND AGGREGATE RECOVERY FACILITY (ARF) TOGETHER WITH ANCILLARY INFRASTRUCTURE INCLUDING GRID CONNECTION CABLE AND WORKS. PRIVATE ELECTRICAL WIRE PROVISION, SUBSTATION, CHP OFF-TAKE PROVISION, INTERNAL VEHICULAR CIRCULATION AND YARD AREAS, WEIGHBRIDGES, CAR PARKING, NEW ACCESS ROAD, TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION COMPOUND AND LAYDOWN AREA, SECURITY FENCING AND GATES, DRAINAGE, LANDSCAPING AND **OFF-SITE** HABITAT COMPENSATION AT LAND ADJACENT TO WILLSHEE'S WASTE AND RECYCLING LIMITED, KEITH WILLSHEE WAY, SWADLINCOTE, DE11 9EN. DMOT/2023/1110

The Committee was informed that Members had attended a site visit earlier in the day which could not be completed due a misunderstanding regarding necessary arrangements.

The Senior Planning Officer presented the report to the Committee and outlined the Council's proposed consultation response of objection.

An Objector and the Applicant's Agent attended the meeting and addressed the Committee regarding the application.

As Local Ward Member, Councillor A Tilley attended the meeting and addressed the Committee raising objections on behalf of the local residents.

Members raised concerns regarding the impact the proposals would have on local amenity and established woodland, industrialisation of the area, over development, the increase in Heavy Good Vehicles, noise, emissions and the overall detrimental impact on local residents.

Councillor Wheelton noted the close proximity of the Vital Energi waste plant and the impact of the proposed tower on surrounding areas.

Members requested that the Committee had sight of the draft letter prior to its submission to Derbyshire County Council.

RESOLVED:

The Committee agreed to provide a written response of Objection to the County Council's consultation on the application drawing attention to the following key considerations:

- Design and Landscape
- Impact on Amenity
- Access and Highway Safety
- Ecology, Biodiversity and National Forest Planting
- Flood Risk and Drainage

The Committee delegated authority to the Head of Planning in consultation with the Chair of the Committee to agree the finer detail and wording of the response.

CONSULTATION FROM THE COUNTY COUNCIL ON APPLICATION REF. PL/106 CW9/0623/15 SEEKING PERMISSION CONSOLIDATION APPLICATION TO COMBINE CURRENT PLANNING PERMISSIONS, FOR THE RETROSPECTIVE DEVELOPMENT OF SEVERAL INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS. THE SCHEME. **REGULARISATION** COMPENSATION FLOOD OF THE WEIGHBRIDGE OFFICE LOCATION AND RDF BUILDING ELEVATIONS, AND REGULARISATION OF THE PLANNING BOUNDARY TO INCLUDE UNAUTHORISED AREAS AT WILLSHEE'S WASTE AND RECYCLING LIMITED, KEITH WILLSHEE WAY, SWADLINCOTE, DERBYSHIRE, **DE11 9EN.** DMOT/2023/1060.

The Committee was informed that Members had attended a site visit earlier in the day which could not be completed due a misunderstanding regarding necessary arrangements.

An Objector and the Applicant's Agent attended the meeting and addressed the Committee regarding the application.

As Local Ward Member, Councillor A Tilley attended the meeting and addressed the Committee raising concerns on behalf of local residents.

Members considered the report raised concerns regarding the loss of habitat and woodland and noted that the response should be a robust objection.

Members requested that the Committee had sight of the draft letter prior to its submission to Derbyshire County Council.

RESOLVED:

The Committee agreed to provide a written response of Objection to the County Council's consultation on the application drawing attention to the following key considerations:

- Design and Landscape
- Impact on Amenity
- Access and Highway Safety
- Ecology, Biodiversity and National Forest Planting
- Flood Risk and Drainage

The Committee delegated authority to the Head of Planning in consultation with the Chair of the Committee to agree the finer detail and wording of the response.

PL/107 DEED OF VARIATION – SITE A. CADLEY PARK

The Planning Delivery Team Leader addressed the Committee and presented the report.

RESOLVED:

- 1.1 That the Committee approved the request to amend the Section 106 Agreement (S106) to include amendments to be made to the definition of the Greenbank Leisure Centre Contribution which was payable in accordance with the fifth schedule of the Section 106 Agreement– Greenbank Leisure Centre Contribution & Off-Site Recreation Contribution. This was based upon recommendations that had been received from the Head of Cultural and Community Services.
- 1.2 That the Committee delegated authority to the Head of Planning and Strategic Housing to agree the finer detail and wording of the obligations to be secured under the Deed of Variation.

PL/108 DEED OF VARIATION – SITE B, CADLEY PARK

The Planning Delivery Team Leader addressed the Committee and presented the report.

RESOLVED:

- 1.1 That the Committee approved the request to amend the Section 106 Agreement (S106) to include amendments to be made to the definition of the Greenbank Leisure Centre Contribution which was payable in accordance with the sixth schedule of the Section 106 Agreement – Recreation and Healthcare Contributions. This was based upon recommendations that had been received from the Head of Cultural and Community Services
- 1.2 That the Committee delegated authority to the Head of Planning and Strategic Housing to agree the finer detail and wording of the obligations to be secured under the Deed of Variation.

PL/109 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985)

RESOLVED:

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it was likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

TO RECEIVE THE EXEMPT MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS:

The Exempt Minutes of the Meeting held on 15 November 2022, were received.

EXEMPT QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE No 11.

The Committee was informed that no questions had been received.

The meeting terminated at 20:25 hours.

COUNCILLOR G JONES

CHAIR

HOUSING & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

16 NOVEMBER 2023

<u>OPEN</u>

PRESENT:

Labour Group

Councillor G Rhind (Chair) and Councillor M Mulgrew (Vice-Chair) and

Councillors A Archer, A Haynes, J Jackson, D Shepherd, S Taylor (substituting for Councillor D Pegg) and A Tilley.

Conservative Group

Councillors D Corbin, M Fitzpatrick and J Lowe.

Liberal Democrats

Councillor G Andrew (substituting for Councillor J Davies).

In attendance

Councillor A Wheelton.

HCS/36 APOLOGIES

The Committee was informed that apologies had been received from Councillor D Pegg (Labour Group) and Councillor J Davies (Liberal Democrats).

HCS/37 OPEN MINUTES

The Open Minutes of the Meetings held on 09 March 2023, 25 April 2023 and 01 June 2023 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.

HCS/38 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Committee noted that no Declarations of Interest had been received.

HCS/39 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 10

The Committee was informed that no questions from Members of the Public had been received.

HCS/40 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11

The Committee was informed that no questions from Members of the Council had been received.

MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE

HCS/41 CORPORATE PLAN 2020-24: PERFORMANCE REPORT (2023-2024) QUARTER 2 – 1 JULY TO 30 SEPTEMBER)

The Head of Cultural and Community Services presented the report to the Committee highlighting the seven measures for the Committee.

Members noted the successes of the Homelessness project and the Green Flags awarded to local parks.

Members raised queries on rent arrears, Gas and Fire Safety Officer positions, Rosliston Forestry Centre consultation, time to re-let void properties and the current working arrangements in the Housing team.

The Chief Executive informed the Committee that the number of days taken to relet a vacant property could not be justified and that the main cause for the delay was due to difficulties during the Covid pandemic, no stock condition surveys and a considerable back log of empty properties.

The Head of Cultural and Community Services advised that the Gas and Fire Safety Officers had been appointed and that the consultation for Rosliston Forestry Centre would begin shortly.

The Housing Repairs Manager addressed the Committee to and outlined current working practices that included the frequency of meetings with contractors and Property Inspectors and that an improvement in the figures was expected within the next six weeks.

The Chief Executive confirmed that a Housing Review would be undertaken.

RESOLVED:

- 1.1 The Committee approved progress against performance targets set out in the Corporate Plan 2020 2024.
- 1.2 The Committee reviewed the Risk Register for the Committee's services.

HCS/42 REVIEW OF TENANCY STRATEGY AND TENANCY POLICY

The Tenancy Services Manager presented the report to the Committee highlighting the legal requirement for a Tenancy Strategy and that the consultation would be widely communicated in the South Derbyshire District.

Members were pleased to note that there were different tenancies available and that tenants were well informed of the options available.

RESOLVED:

- 1.1 The Committee approved a consultation would be undertaken for the draft Tenancy Strategy and Tenancy Policy with Council Tenants and other partners.
- 1.2 The Committee approved that final versions of both the Tenancy Strategy and Tenancy Policy would be presented to this Committee at a future date following the conclusion of the consultation process.

HCS/43 HOUSING COMPLIANCE IN CONJUNCTION WITH NEW REGULATOR CONSUMER STANDARDS

The Asset and Improvement Manager presented the contents of the report to the Committee highlighting the funding, compliance and certification requirements for the Housing stock.

Members noted that any asbestos found in properties would be costly to remove and that the IT software currently used would be enhanced to provide an Asset Management system that would alleviate the use of multiple data sources.

RESOLVED:

- 1.1 The Committee approved the proposals outlined in the Financial Implications part of the report in order to meet key legal and regulatory requirements.
- 1.2 The Committee approved the expenditure proposals outlined in the report.
- 1.3 The Committee approved delegated authority to the Strategic Director (Service Delivery) to procure the software and surveys recommended in the report, using an approved procurement option.

HCS/44 REGULATOR OF SOCIAL HOUSING PROPOSED CONSUMER STANDARDS

The Chief Executive presented the report to the Committee on behalf of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery). The Chief Executive outlined the four proposed standards for landlords.

RESOLVED:

- 1.1 The Committee noted the requirements of the proposed Housing Consumer Standards.
- 1.2 The Committee approved that the Head of Housing commissioned a self-assessment of the Council's services against the proposed standards in the report would be completed by the end of December 2023, and a further report presented to the Housing and Community Services Committee with the outcome of the assessment.
- 1.3 The Committee approved that funding of £30,000 to be made available for any regulator registration or annual fee costs.

HCS/45 COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME

The Head of Cultural and Community Services presented the work programme to the Committee.

RESOLVED:

1.1 The Committee considered and approved the updated work programme.

HCS/46 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT [ACCESS TO INFORMATION] ACT 1985)

The Chairman may therefore move:

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

EXEMPT MINUTES

The Exempt Minutes of the Meetings held on 05 January 2023, 09 March 2023, 25 April 2023 and 01 June 2023 were received.

<u>ANY EXEMPT QUESTIONS RECEIVED BY MEMBERS OF THE</u> <u>COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11</u>

The Committee was informed that no exempt questions from Members of the Council had been received.

LONG TERM LEASE OF PHILIP RICHARDSON MEMORIAL FIELD TO NETHERSEAL PARISH COUNCIL

RESOLVED:

That the Committee approved the recommendations in the report.

TRANSFER OF SPORTS PAVILION TO WILLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

RESOLVED:

That the Committee approved the recommendations in the report.

HOUSING SERVICES REVIEW

RESOLVED:

That the Committee approved the recommendations in the report.

BETTER CARE FUNDING ALLOCATION – FINANCIAL POSITION

RESOLVED:

That the Committee approved the recommendations in the report.

FISHER CLOSE REPTON

RESOLVED:

That the Committee approved the recommendations in the report.

The meeting terminated at 19:35 hours.

COUNCILLOR G RHIND

CHAIR

LICENSING AND APPEALS SUB-COMMITTEE

21 November 2023 at 10.00 hours

PRESENT:-

Members of the Licensing and Appeals Sub-Committee

Councillor M Gee (Chair) and Councillor A Haynes (Labour Group) and Councillor A Kirke (Conservative Group)

District Council Representatives

Elisabeth Page - Legal and Democratic Services Manager Eleanor Harrison - Senior Legal Officer (Non-Contentious) Emma McHugh – Senior Licensing Officer Patricia Hill – Democratic Services Officer

In Attendance

LAS/23 APOLOGIES

The Sub-Committee was informed that no apologies have been received.

LAS/24 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

The Sub-Committee was informed that no declarations of interest had been received.

MATTERS DELEGATED TO SUB-COMMITTEE

LAS/25 HEARING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF AN OBJECTION NOTICE TO A TEMPORARY EVENT NOTICE – SIR NIGEL GRESLEY, SWADLINCOTE

- 1. The Chairman introduced himself and other members of the Sub-Committee introduced themselves. The Legal Advisor, Clerk to the Sub-Committee, Licensing Representative and all those present also introduced themselves.
- 2. The Chairman then outlined the procedure to be followed during the hearing, in accordance with the Council's Licensing Hearings Procedure.
- 3. This was a hearing to determine the application for two Temporary Event Notices under the Licensing Act 2003 for the Sir Nigel Gresley. The application was for Christmas trading extended hours in 2023.

- Documentation being relied upon by the Council's Licensing Representative had been exchanged at least 5 days before the hearing. Copies had been provided to the Applicant and all Members of the Sub-Committee.
- 5. The Applicant did not attend the hearing in person.
- 6. The Chairman invited the Council's Licensing Representative to present the facts of the matter. Emma McHugh outlined the application.
- 7. The Sub-Committee had opportunity to ask questions of the Council's Licensing Representative.
- 8. The Sub-Committee retired from the Council Chamber to deliberate.
- 9. In making its decision, the Sub-Committee had regard to South Derbyshire District Council's Licensing Policy, the Guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003 and the Human Rights Act 1998, as well as the evidence presented in writing and given orally at the hearing.
- 10. The Sub-Committee also had regard to the four 'Licensing Objectives' namely:
 - Prevention of crime and disorder
 - Public safety
 - Prevention of public nuisance
 - Protection of children from harm
- 11. The Sub-Committee considered in detail the representations of the Council's Licensing Representative, Derbyshire Constabulary and the Applicant.

DECISION

The Sub-Committee granted the application for Temporary Event Notices as follows:

Sale by retail of alcohol for consumption on and off the premises on the following dates and times:

- 21st and 22nd December 2023
- Midnight to 1am each day
- 28th and 29th December 2023
- Midnight to 1am each day

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The grant of the application for Temporary Event Notices is subject to the following conditions, in addition to the mandatory conditions contained within the Licensing Act 2003, and the conditions contained within the TENs applications and the current premises licence:

- 1. Children under the age of 16 and young persons aged 16 and 17 will be allowed on the premises up to 2100 or 2130 if consuming a meal. All children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult aged 18 or above.
- 2. The premises licence holder will provide training to staff on commencement of employment on the law relating to all age-restricted products sold and any system or procedures they are expected to follow in the course of dealing with these goods. Refresher training should be provided at regular intervals (a minimum of 6months). Records detailing the training provided will be kept on the premises for production, on request, to an officer of a Responsible Authority. Records shall be retained on the premises for a minimum of 1 year.
- 3. The premises licence holder will apply a Challenge 25 age verification policy at the premises. This policy will require anyone attempting to purchase alcohol (or other min.18 restricted product) that appears under the age of 25 years will to be asked to prove their age. Acceptable forms of identification will be a PASS-accredited proof of age card, photo driving licence, approved military ID or passport. Failure to produce satisfactory proof of age will result in a refused sale. Clear, prominent and unobstructed signage informing customers of the age verification policy in operation and the age restrictions on products, will be clearly displayed.
- 4. A system of recording sales refused under the age verification policy will be operated at all times. The refusal record will be kept on the premises for production, on request, to an officer of a Responsible Authority. Records shall be retained on the premises for a minimum of 1 year.
- 5. Managers to deal with any complaints from local residents quickly and effectively.
- 6. Member of Pub watch scheme if available
- 7. Signage will be placed on either side of the entrance/exit doors to the premises requesting that patrons shall not take drinks off the premises. Such signs shall be placed in a prominent position and easily read.
- 8. A CCTV system shall be installed and the recording system must be maintained in good working order and any faults repaired as possible. (it is recommended that all maintenance paperwork be kept to show that the retailer has shown all dage diligence at maintaining the system).
- 9. The CCTV recording system must be operating at all times when the

premises are open for licensable activities.

- 10. All CCTV recordings must be retained for a m1mmum of 21 days unless negotiated otherwise. These images must be available for viewing at any reasonable time upon request of a Police Officer or other authorised person as detailed within Section 13 of the Licensing Act 2003.
- 11. The Designated Premises Supervisor and designated members of staff must be able to retrieve and copy any recordings/images at the time of asking or within 48 hours if so required. (The Police will not meet the cost for a recording or materials used for reproduction of the image in respect of any crime and disorder: all costs are to be met by the owner of the system. If the incident was unrelated to the premises, the retrieval, if a cost incurred, would be met between the agencies requiring the image).
- 12. The CCTV recording unit is to be kept secure, to be opened only by the premises licence holder or authorised, designated member of staff.
- 13. Installed CCTV cameras are to be positioned to cover the areas to which the public have access with regards to the premises.
- 14. All recordings to be of evidential quality.
- 15. The OPS will ensure that clear, prominent and legible notices must be displayed internally at all exits, requesting customers and other users to leave the premise and the area local top the premises quietly and in an orderly manner respecting the needs of local residents.
- 16. There shall be no consumption of alcohol outside of the premises except in the terraced area to the front of the premises as permitted by any street care licence authorised by Derbyshire County Council and issued to the premises licence holder. Consumption of alcohol will be permitted between the hours of 09.00hrs - 20.00hrs only.
- 17. All beverages to be consumed in the outside street cafe area of the premises will be served in polycarbonate drinking vessels only with the exception of hot beverages. Glass bottles and other receptacles are not to be used outside of the premises.
- 18. Prominent signage will be placed inside the premises on either side of the entrance/exit doors to the premises stating that customers may only take open drinks from the premises if they are to be consumed in the designated street cafe licence area and if they are, with the exception of hot beverages, in poly carbonate drinking vessels.
- 19. No adult entertainment or services, activities etc. will be undertaken at the premises.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

Having taken into account the four Licensing Objectives, the guidance issued under Section 182 of the Licensing Act 2003, the Council's Licensing Policy and the Human Rights Act 1998, the Sub-Committee sought to balance the interests of the Applicant and Derbyshire Constabulary.

The Sub-Committee felt that it was reasonable and proportionate to grant the Temporary Event Notices, subject to the conditions specified, which are imposed to specifically address the concerns raised.

All parties may appeal to the Magistrates' Court against this Decision. Guidance on this process is attached to the Decision Notice.

LAS/26 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

The Meeting terminated at 10:10 hours.

COUNCILLOR M GEE

CHAIR

FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

23 November 2023

PRESENT:

Labour Group

Councillor R Pearson (Chair), Councillor L Singh (Vice-Chair) and Councillors S Harrison, G Rhind, V Redfern (substituting for Councillor M Mulgrew), B Stuart, S Taylor and N Tilley.

Conservative Group

Councillors D Corbin, M Fitzpatrick, M Ford and S Meghani.

Liberal Democrats

Councillor G Andrew.

In Attendance

Councillor A Wheelton.

FM/59 APOLOGIES

The Committee was informed that apologies had been received from Councillor M Mulgrew (Labour Group).

FM/60 TO RECEIVE THE OPEN MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS:

The Open Minutes of the meetings held on 27 April 2023, 08 June 2023, 20 July 2023, 24 August 2023, 05 October 2023, and the meeting of the Audit Sub-Committee held on 06 September 2023 were noted and approved as a true record and signed by the Chair.

FM/61 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Committee was informed that no declarations of personal interest had been received.

FM/62 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 10

The Committee was informed that no questions from members of the public had been received.

FM/63 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11

The Committee was informed that no questions from members of the council had been received.

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FM/64 REPORTS OF OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY

The Committee was informed that no reports from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee had been received.

FM/65 CORPORATE PLAN 2020-24: PERFORMANCE REPORT 2023-24 QUARTER 2 (1 APRIL TO 30 SEPTEMBER)

The Head of Organisational Development and Performance presented the report to the Committee noting that there were no changes to the risks and that overall performance was good.

Members raised a query regarding Health and Safety training and the review of the Health and Safety Policy.

The Head of Organisational Development and Performance informed the Committee that the Health and Safety Policy was being reviewed along with the Risk Register in light of the newly appointed Health and Safety Officer, who recognised the importance of Health and Safety training.

Councillor Taylor addressed the Committee and highlighted that Health and Safety issues were reviewed by the Employee Health and Safety Committee and explained how it considered all incidents and near misses.

<u>RESOLVED</u>:

1.1 The Committee approved progress against performance targets set out in the Corporate Plan 2020 - 2024.

FM/66 QUARTERLY BUDGET MONITORING 2023-24

The Head of Finance presented the report to the Committee noting the key areas of the report.

Members considered the report and commended the level of detail and information it contained.

Councillor Meghani and Councillor Fitzpatrick discussed the possible merits of an executive summary.

<u>RESOLVED</u>:

1.1 The Committee noted the position and provided any comments regarding the latest revenue and capital financial position for the General Fund and Housing Revenue Account for 2023/24.

FM/67 TREASURY MANAGEMENT UPDATE 2023-24

The Head of Finance presented the report to the Committee and sought approval of the recommendations.

The Committee considered the report and supported the recommendations.

Councillor Andrew sought clarification regarding the pattern of debt repayments.

The Head of Finance addressed the Committee and explained that the cycle of planned debt repayments related to the 2012 Self-Financing loans and that they were included in the Housing Revenue Account's Medium Term Financial Plan.

RESOLVED:

1.1 The Committee noted the latest Quarter 2 updates in respect of Treasury Management attached as Appendix 1 to the report, the Prudential Indicators and Limits attached as Appendix 2 to the report and the Counterparty List for investments and bank deposits as attached as Appendix 3 to the report.

FM/68 CONSOLIDATED DRAFT BUDGET REPORT 2024/25 AND MEDIUM-TERM FINANCIAL PLAN TO 2028/29

The Strategic Director (Corporate Resources) addressed the Committee presented the report to the Committee and summarised improvements made and savings expected.

Councillor Rhind commended the report and noted that it contained nothing that Members had not been made aware of.

Members raised queries regarding net zero costs, the vision for budget gaps and contract procurement costs.

The Strategic Director (Corporate Resources) informed the Committee that there was nothing new linked to the estimates for the net zero costs and that the vision was about building resilience within the Council regarding budget gaps. It was explained that effective financial contract management would lead to savings.

Members raised further queries regarding the proposed Council Tax increase and the £400K in relation to parish Concurrent expenses.

The Head of Finance advised the Committee that the Council Tax forecast was based on figures provided by the government.

The Strategic Director (Corporate Resources) reiterated that the Concurrent expense grants to Parish Councils would remain at the 2023/24 levels in 2024/25 and that information regarding Parish Concurrent expenditure in Appendix 1 of the report would be made clearer in the next report.

<u>RESOLVED</u>:

- 1.1 The Committee noted the draft budget and associated information.
- **1.2** The Committee approved the draft budget for consultation with the Council's relevant Committees, rate payers and the public.
- 1.3 The Committee noted the proposals considered material.
- 1.4 The Committee noted the Indicative Assurance Statement provided by the Section 151 Officer.

FM/69 HOUSING COMPLIANCE IN CONJUNCTION WITH NEW REGULATOR CONSUMER STANDARDS

The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) presented the report to the Committee noting the financial implications and sought approval of the recommendations.

Members commended Housing Officers for their presentation of the report to Housing and Community Services Committee earlier in the month.

The Committee considered the report and supported the recommendations.

<u>RESOLVED:</u>

- 1.1 The Committee accepted the proposals outlined in the Financial Implications part of the report in order to meet key legal and regulatory requirements.
- 1.2 The Committee approved the expenditure proposals outlined in the report following approval by Housing and Community Services Committee on 16 November 2023
- 1.3 The Committee delegated authority to the Strategic Director (Service Delivery) to procure the software and surveys recommended in the report, using an approved procurement option.

FM/70 COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME

The Strategic Director (Corporate Resources) presented the report.

<u>RESOLVED</u>:

1.1 The Committee considered and approved the updated work programme.

FM/71 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT [ACCESS TO INFORMATION] ACT 1985)

<u>RESOLVED</u>:

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

TO RECEIVE THE EXEMPT MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS:

The Exempt Minutes of the Finance and Management Committee held on the 27 April 2023, 08 June 2023, 20 July 2023, 24 August 2023 and 05 October 2023 were received.

QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11

The Committee was informed that no questions had been received.

LAND AT ALBERT VILLAGE

<u>RESOLVED</u>:

The Committee approved the recommendations in the report.

PREMISES IN SWADLINCOTE

<u>RESOLVED</u>:

The Committee approved the recommendations in the report.

PENSION STRAIN CONTRIBUTION – FLEXIBLE RETIREMENT REQUEST

<u>RESOLVED</u>:

The Committee approved the recommendations in the report.

BETTER CARE FUNDING ALLOCATION – FINANCIAL POSITION

<u>RESOLVED:</u>

The Committee approved the recommendations in the report.

LONG TERM LEASE OF PHILIP RICHARDSON MEMORIAL FIELD TO NETHERSEAL PARISH COUNCIL

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RESOLVED:

The Committee approved the recommendations in the report.

TRANSFER OF SPORTS PAVILION TO WILLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL RESOLVED:

The Committee approved the recommendations in the report.

The meeting terminated at 18:55 hours.

COUNCILLOR R PEARSON

CHAIR

PLANNING COMMITTEE (EXTRAORDINARY)

28 November 2023

PRESENT:

Labour Group

Councillor G Jones (Chair) and Councillor Shepherd (Vice-Chair) Councillors J Carroll, M Gee, I Hudson, A Jones, L Mulgrew, and K Storey.

Conservative Group

Councillors A Kirke, D Muller and P Watson (substitute for Cllr K Haines)

Liberal Democrats Councillor J Davies

Non-Grouped

Councillor A Wheelton.

In Attendance

Councillors G Andrew and A Tilley

PL/112 APOLOGIES

The Committee was informed apologies had been received from Councillor K Haines (Conservative Group).

PL/113 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Committee was informed that no declarations had been received.

PL/114 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO.11

The Committee was informed that no questions had been received.

MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE

PL/115 **REPORT OF THE STRATEGIC DIRECTOR (SERVICE DELIVERY)**

The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) submitted reports for consideration and determination by the Committee and presented oral reports to the Meeting to update Members as necessary. Consideration was then given thereto and decisions were reached as indicated.

PL/116 APPROVAL OF RESERVED MATTERS FOR PLOT 3 (APPEARANCE, LANDSCAPING, BIODIVERSITY ENHANCEMENT, LAYOUT, CAR PARKING AND SCALE) PURSUANT TO OUTLINE PERMISSION REF. DMPA/2021/0983 AT LAND TO THE REAR OF 69A AND 69B, REPTON ROAD, HARTSHORNE, SWADLINCOTE, DE11 7AF – DMPA/2023/1243

The Planning Delivery Team Leader addressed the Committee and presented the report.

Committee Members considered the application and supported the officer's recommendations.

Councillor Wheelton requested that an increase of 10 years be considered regarding landscaping and plants.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be approved as per the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery) subject to an amendment to Condition 2 to increase the time period to 10 years for landscaping and plants.

PL/117 OUTLINE APPLICATION INCLUDING ACCESS, LAYOUT AND SCALE (MATTERS OF APPEARANCE AND LANDSCAPING RESERVED FOR LATER CONSIDERATION) FOR THE ERECTION OF 2 DWELLINGHOUSES ON LAND TO THE REAR AND NORTH-WEST OF THE COTTAGE AND 2 SAPPERTON LANE, CHURCH BROUGHTON, DERBY, DE65 5AU- DMPA/2020/1094

The Planning Delivery Team Leader presented the report to the Committee outling the key areas of the application and noted that it was not in a flood zone and the Local Lead Flood Agency had no objection to the application subject to conditions regarding surface water drainage.

An Objector and a Supporter on behalf of the applicant attended the meeting and addressed the Committee regarding the application.

Following comments from the Objector the Planning Delivery Team Leader confirmed that the flood risk had been considered many times and the Local Lead Flood Authority was content subject to conditions within the report.

As Local Ward Member, Councillor G Andrew attended the meeting and addressed the Committee raising concerns on behalf of local residents.

Councillor Kirke noted that the Local Lead Flood Risk Authority was content with the original flood risk assessment.

Members discussed the application and raised concerns regarding flooding from surface water runoff as the area had previously flooded and considered the proposal not to be infill due to the scale of the development.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be refused contrary to the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery) due to unacceptable risk of surface water flooding and inappropriate infill which would be harmful to the character and appearance of the rural character of the area.

PL/118 THE ERECTION OF A DWELLING ON LAND AT THE MANDARIN, ASTLEY GARDENS, EGGINTON LANE, HILTON, DE65 5FJ – DMPA/2023/0523

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing addressed the Committee and presented the report summarising the key areas of the application.

An Objector and the Applicant's Agent attended the meeting and addressed the Committee regarding the application.

Following comments raised by the Objector the Head of Planning and Strategic Housing informed the Committee that Biodiversity Net Gain could be met via conditions and that Derbyshire Wildlife Trust had not objections to the proposal.

Members of the Committee considered the application and raised concerns regarding design and Biodiversity Net Gain.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be approved as per the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery).

PL/119 DEMOLITION OF RESTAURANT (USE CLASS E) AND ERECTION OF RETAIL/COMMERCIAL UNIT (USE CLASS E) AT THE MANDARIN CHINESE RESTAURANT. EGGINTON ROAD. HILTON. DERBYSHIRE. DE65 5FJ – DMPA/2023/0528

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing presented the report to the Committee and outlined the salient points of the application, noting a late objection received from the Parish Council regarding the sequential assessment.

An Objector and the Applicant's Agent attended the meeting and addressed the Committee regarding the application.

Following comments from the Objector the Head of Planning and Strategic Housing informed the Committee that sequential assessment complied with policy and that it was considered to be a suitable and acceptable scheme.

As Local Ward Member, Councillor G Andrew attended the meeting and addressed the Committee raising concerns on behalf of local residents.

Committee Members considered the application and raised concerns regarding the reduced marketing period, the type of units proposed, the location and visual impact the design would have on the area.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be refused contrary to the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery) due to its standard design in a key gateway site being out of keeping with the character and appearance of the area.

PL/120 THE ERECTION OF AN SINGLE STOREY SIDE EXTENSION AT 316 BURTON ROAD, MIDWAY, SWADLINCOTE, DE11 7LY – DMPA/2023/1272

The Planning Delivery Team Leader addressed the Committee and presented the report.

The Committee Members considered the application and supported the officer's recommendations.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be approved as per the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery).

PL/121 THE VARIATION OF CONDITION NO. 3B (BIODIVERSITY NET GAIN) OF PERMISSION REF. DMPA/2019/0931 ON LAND NORTH OF OCCUPATION LANE (WOODVILLE REGENERATION AREA), WOODVILLE, SWADLINCOTE -DMPA/2023/0583

The Senior Planning Officer addressed the Committee and outlined the report and noted updated information submitted by the Applicant regarding the delivery of Biodiversity Net Gain as close as possible to the site which had been endorsed by the Derbyshire Wildlife Trust.

Members considered the report and raised concerns regarding the loss of habitat and wildlife on site and the possibility that the 10% Biodiversity Net Gain would not be achieved.

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing addressed the Committee and advised that the applicant had addressed the key concerns previously raised by the Committee and that the 10% net gain could be achieved offsite which could be Condition that it be delivered within the Woodville area and it was noted that the Applicant would be bound by the Section 106 Agreement.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be approved as per the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery) subject to an amendment to the Conditions requiring 10% Biodiversity Net Gain to be delivered on site or in the Ward of Woodville.

PL/122 APPROVAL OF RESERVED MATTERS (LANDSCAPING, LAYOUT, SCALE AND APPEARANCE) PURSUANT TO PHASE 1 (RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF UP TO 75 DWELLINGS) OF OUTLINE APPLICATION DMPA/2019/0931 FOR Page 116 of 184 THE RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF UP TO 300 DWELLINGS. A LOCAL CENTRE COMPRISING A 1.600SQM FOOD STORE (CLASS A1 USE). 700SQM RESTAURANT/FAST FOOD (CLASS A3 USE) AND 550SQM PUB (CLASS A4 USE). TOGETHER WITH EMPLOYMENT LAND CONSISTING OF 2.000SQM CLASS B1(B) RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AND/OR B1(C) LIGHT INDUSTRIAL USES. 4.000SQM CLASS B2 GENERAL INDUSTRIAL USES AND 8.000SQM CLASS B8 STORAGE AND DISTRIBUTION USES. TOGETHER WITH ACCESS FROM THE WOODVILLE REGENERATION ROUTE (TO BE DELIVERED BY OTHERS). AND PUBLIC OPEN SPACE, LANDSCAPING AND ASSOCIATED DRAINAGE INFRASTRUCTURE – DMPA/2022/1159

The Senior Planning Officer presented the report to the Committee and outlined the application noting a late item received regarding the offsite compensatory habitat regarding Skylarks which subject to conditions the Derbyshire Wildlife Trust was content with.

The Applicant's Agent attended the meeting and addressed the Committee regarding the application.

As Local Ward Member, Councillor Gee addressed the Committee raising highway concerns during construction on behalf of local residents.

Councillor A Jones raised concerns regarding the access route during construction.

The Senior Planning Officer clarified that the County Highways Authority had raised no concerns.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be approved as per the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery).

PL/123 THE ERECTION OF A SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION TO PROVIDE GROUND FLOOR BEDROOM AND SHOWER ROOM AT 13 ALBION STREET. WOODVILLE, SWADLINCOTE, DE11 8DS – DMPA/2023/1155

The Planning Delivery Team Leader addressed the Committee and presented the report.

The Committee Members considered the application and supported the officer's recommendations.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be approved as per the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery).

PL/124 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985)

RESOLVED:

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it was likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

PL/125 EXEMPT QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE No 11.

The Committee was informed that no questions had been received.

The meeting terminated at 19:55 hours.

COUNCILLOR G JONES

CHAIR

<u>OPEN</u>

LICENSING AND APPEALS SUB-COMMITTEE

30 November 2023 at 10.00 hours

PRESENT:-

Members of the Licensing and Appeals Sub-Committee

Councillor M Gee (Chair) and Councillor G Andrew (Liberal Democrats) and Councillor A Tilley (Labour Group)

District Council Representatives

Elisabeth Page - Legal and Democratic Services Manager Emma McHugh – Senior Licensing Officer Donna Foster – Democratic Services Officer

In Attendance Applicant Applicant's Representative

LAS/27 APOLOGIES

The Sub-Committee was informed that no apologies have been received.

LAS/28 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

The Sub-Committee was informed that no declarations of interest had been received.

MATTERS DELEGATED TO SUB-COMMITTEE

LAS/29 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

HEARING FOR THE DETERMINATION OF APPLICATION FOR A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE

RESOLVED:

The Legal Officer read outone Panel's 4Decision.

The Meeting terminated at 11:15 hours.

COUNCILLOR M GEE

CHAIR

<u>OPEN</u>

PLANNING COMMITTEE (EXTRAORDINARY)

12 December 2023

PRESENT:

Labour Group

Councillor G Jones (Chair) and Councillor Shepherd (Vice-Chair) Councillors M Gee, S Harrison (substituting for Councillor J Carroll), M Mulgrew (substituting for Councillor I Hudson), A Jones, L Mulgrew, and K Storey.

Conservative Group

Councillors K Haines, A Kirke and D Muller.

Liberal Democrats

Councillor J Davies

Non-Grouped

Councillor A Wheelton.

In Attendance

Councillor J Carroll Councillor D Corbin Councillor N Tilley

PL/126 APOLOGIES

The Committee was informed apologies had been received from Councillor I Hudson (Labour Group).

PL/127 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Committee was informed that Councillor Muller declared a non-pecuniary interest in item PL/131 by virtue of being an County Councillor.

PL/128 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO.11

The Committee was informed that no questions had been received.

MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE

PL/129 REPORT OF THE STRATEGIC DIRECTOR (SERVICE DELIVERY)

The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) submitted reports for consideration and determination by the Committee and presented oral reports to the Meeting to update Members as necessary. Consideration was then given thereto and decisions were reached as indicated.

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PL/130 PROVISION OF TIMBER STORAGE BUILDING. EXTENSION TO EXISTING TIMBER AND MACHINERY STORE, INSTALLATION OF FOUL PACKAGE TREATMENT PLANT AND LAYING OUT OF PARKING SPACES AND REVISED YARD ACCESS LOCATIONS, TOGETHER WITH NEW LANDSCAPE SCREENING FOR THE EXISTING WOODYARD AND REGULARISATION OF HISTORIC LOG STORAGE AREA AT BUILDINGS FARM. TICKNALL ROAD. HARTSHORNE, SWADLINCOTE, DE11 7AU. – DMPA/2023/0814

The Planning Delivery Team Leader presented the report to the Committee and outlined the key points of the application, noting information received regarding landownership.

Members considered the application and discussed the merits of a site visit.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be deferred to allow Members to visit the site.

PL/131 THE DEMOLITION EXISTING BUILDING AND THE ERECTION OF FIVE NEW DWELLINGS WITH ASSOCIATED AMENITY SPACE AND CAR PARKING AT MELBOURNE COMMUNITY CENTRE, CHURCH STREET, MELBOURNE, DERBY, DE73 8EJ – DMPA/2023/1259

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing presented the report to the Committee and summarised the changes to the application following previous refusal. A late letter received from the Civic Society in opposition to the proposals was noted.

An Objector and the Applicant's Agent attended the meeting and addressed the Committee regarding the application.

As Local Ward Member, Councillor J Carroll attended the meeting and addressed the Committee raising concerns regarding the appearance and design of the proposals.

Councillor D Corbin attended the meeting and addressed the Committee on behalf of the Local Ward Member, Councillor M Fitzpatrick in support of the application.

Following comments received by Councillor J Carroll the Head of Planning and Strategic Housing noted that the amended submission was broadly inline with the previous Committee's recommendations.

Members raised concerns regarding protection of the Beech Tree roots and the poor design of the proposals that were considered to not be in keeping with the conservation area. Members voiced disappointment that the Developer had not engaged with local residents regarding the proposals and noted that it could be a unique opportunity to develop something that could stand the test of time.

RESOLVED:

That Planning Permission be deferred to allow for discussions regarding design improvements.

PL/132 THE VARIATION OF CONDITION NO. 2 (PLANS) AND 10 (PARKING AND MANOEUVRING) OF PERMISSION DMPA/2020/1266 AS VARIED BY DMPA/2021/1605 (FOR THE DEMOLITION OF EXISTING DWELLING AND OUTBUILDINGS AND THE ERECTION OF 4NO. DWELLINGS AND ASSOCIATED NEW ACCESS) AT SILSDEN, COTON ROAD, WALTON ON TRENT, SWADLINCOTE, DE12 8NL – DMPA/2023/1165

The Committee was informed that Members had attended a site visit earlier in the day.

The Planning Delivery Team Leader presented the report and summarised the salient points of the variation noting that no further works could be undertaken until the access had been completed.

An Objector and the Applicant's Agent attended the meeting and addressed the Committee regarding the application.

As Ward Member, Councillor Wheelton addressed the Committee and raised concerns on behalf of the local residents.

Members discussed surface water runoff, the access, the reduction in garden space and sought clarity regarding the tress to be removed and those that had already been removed.

The Head of Planning and Strategic Housing clarified that 7 trees had been removed prior to planning permission and that one further tree was to be removed due to poor health. The Committee was informed that trees, additional planting, hedgerows and greenery were covered by Condition 3 of the approved application.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be approved as per the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery).

PL/133 ERECTION OF A 2 BED BUNGALOW AT SILSDEN, COTON ROAD, WALTON-ON-TRENT, SWADLINCOTE, DE12 8NL – DMPA/2023/1063

The Committee was informed that Members had attended a site visit earlier in the day.

The Planning Delivery Team Leader presented the report to the Committee summarising the application.

An Objector attended the meeting and addressed the Committee regarding the application.

As Local Ward Member, Councillor Wheelton addressed the Committee raising concerns on behalf of the local residents.

Members considered the application and discussed the loss of trees, the loss of garden space, the effect on the conservation area, poor visibility from the proposed bungalow, the steepness of the drive way, water runoff, poor design and overdevelopment of a small site.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be refused contrary to the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery) due to its over-intensive development of the site, resulting in the loss of trees which was considered to be harmful to the character and appearance of the conservation area.

PL/134 THE PRUNING OF LIME AND CYPRESS TREE(S) COVERED BY SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL TREE PRESERVATION ORDER NO. 195 ON GEORGE STREET. CHURCH GRESLEY. SWADLINCOTE. DE11 9NZ – DMOT/2023/1375

The Planning Delivery Team Leader presented the report and outlined the application.

Members considered the report and supported the officer's recommendations.

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be approved as per the recommendations in the report of the Strategic Director (Service Delivery).

PL/135 APPEALS

The Committee noted the planning appeal decisions in relation to the following applications:

Reference	Place	Ward	Outcome	Decision level
DMPA/2022/040 DMPA/2022/120 DMPA/2022/036	2 Woodville	Melbourne Woodville Woodville	Allowed	Committee Committee Committee varded

PL/136 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985)

RESOLVED:

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it was likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

PL/137 EXEMPT QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE No 11.

The Committee was informed that no questions had been received.

The meeting terminated at 19:45 hours.

COUNCILLOR G JONES

CHAIR

ENVIRONMENTAL AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE

04 January 2024

PRESENT:

<u>OPEN</u>

Labour Group

Councillor S Taylor (Chair) and Councillors A Archer, S Harrison (substituting for Councillor J Jackson), R Pearson (substituting for Councillor K Storey), V Redfern, B Stuart, A Tilley and N Tilley (substituting for Councillor I Hudson).

Conservative Group

Councillors D Corbin (substituting for Councillor K Haines), J Lowe and P Watson.

Liberal Democrats Councillor G Andrew

Non-Grouped Councillor A Wheelton

In Attendance

Councillor M Gee

EDS/53 <u>APOLOGIES</u>

The Committee was informed that apologies had been received from Councillors I Hudson, J Jackson, K Storey (Labour Group) and Councillor K Haines (Conservative Group).

EDS/54 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Committee was informed that no declarations of interest had been received.

EDS/55 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 10

The Committee was informed that no questions from Members of the Public had been received.

EDS/56 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11

The Committee was informed that no questions from Members of the Council had been received.

MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE

EDS/57 SERVICE BASED BUDGETS 2024-25

The Head of Finance presented the report highlighting the details for this Committee and that there had been no changes from the Draft Budget.

Members sought clarity on several items from the report including the loss of income from food safety certificates and Private Hire Licences, funding arrangements for kennelling, Swadlincote Events costs, property services and the one-off proposals for the Committee.

The Head of Finance confirmed that loss of income was due to changes in exports and Brexit and Private Hire Driver's licences that had been issued under other Local Authorities. The Strategic Director (Corporate Resources) confirmed that the welfare of dogs was supported through the General Reserve which covered service pressures and that this would be reviewed. The Strategic Director (Corporate Resources) informed Members that Swadlincote Events costs were estimated as part of a larger Levelling Up fund. The Head of Finance provided details of property services costs which included off street parking, toilets and lighting, and that an accumulated one-off cost of £74,219 included insurance policies, bank charges, training and maintenance fees.

Councillor Wheelton asked if there was a budget for anti-social behaviour monitoring for the Drakelow area. The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) informed the Committee that statistics provided by the Constabulary would be used to place existing resources in the appropriate areas.

RESOLVED:

- 1.1 The Committee considered the proposed revenue budget for the Committee's services, for 2024/25 as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report and recommended to the Finance and Management Committee for recommendation to Council for approval.
- 1.2 The Committee considered the proposed fees and charges for 2024/25 as detailed in Appendix 2 of the report and recommended to the Finance and Management Committee for recommendation to Council for approval.

1.3 The Committee considered the proposed Capital budget for the Committee's services, for 2024/25 as detailed in Appendix 3 of the report and recommended to the Finance and Management Committee for recommendation to Council for approval.

EDS/58 COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME

The Strategic Director (Service Delivery) presented the report to the Committee and noted an update to the Town Centre report which was to be included at the next Committee meeting.

RESOLVED:

1.1 The Committee considered and approved the updated work programme, attached as Annexe A to the report.

EDS/59 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

RESOLVED:

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it would be likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

EXEMPT QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11

EDS/60 The Committee was informed that no exempt questions from Members of the Council had been received.

The meeting terminated at 18:25 hours.

COUNCILLOR S TAYLOR

CHAIR



SOUTH DERBYSHIRE COMMUNITY MEETING

ETWALL – AREA 1

Meeting Minutes – September 5, 2023 at 6:30pm

Foston and Scropton Village Hall

PRESENT: -

South Derbyshire District Council Representatives

Councillor David Muller (Chair), Councillor Andrew Kirke, Councillor Martyn Ford Councillor Grahame Andrew, Councillor Jayne Davies

Dr Justin Ives – Chief Executive Officer, Ian Hey – Section 106 Officer, Paige Robinson – Communities Team Service Assistant

Derbyshire County Council Representatives

Councillor Martyn Ford, Councillor Julie Patten

Derbyshire Police Representatives

PCSO Supervisor Kerry Wallington-Waite, INSP Mike Sisman

Parish Council/ Meeting Representatives

Anne Muller – Etwall Parish Council, Sandra Stanton – Hilton Parish Council, Olga Bottomley – Burnaston Parish Council, Fran Smith – Burnaston Parish Council David Neal – Etwall Parish Council, Ursula Towne – Etwall Parish Council, Stephen Trowbridge – Dalbury Lees Parish Council

Members of the Public

Gary Fallows, Colin Mckay, Karen Brett, Theresa Shell, Sue Creeth, Tony Creeth Geoff Towne

E/A 1. Open Meeting

- a) Introductions and Housekeeping
- b) Apologies

CVS and Councillor Sundip Meghani.

c) Chair's Announcements



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The Chair discussed the unfortunate passing of Councillor Lemon back in May, it was a shock to all, and she was friends to a lot of those present at the meeting. A byelection was held for Hilton in June.

The Chair then introduced the new councillors in the area who had been elected in May. Councillor Grahame Andrew, Councillor Jayne Davies, and Councillor Sundip Meghani are the new councillors for Hilton. Councillor Julie Jackson is the new councillor for Hatton. Councillor Andrew Kirke is the new councillor for Etwall, along with the Chair Cllr David Muller.

d) To Receive the Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes were received as a true and accurate record of the meeting held on 1st February 2023.

e) Matters Arising from the Last Minutes

Councillor Sandra Stanton requested that the minutes for the meeting be sent out quicker for this round of meetings.

E/A 2. Police Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) Report and Police Q&A

Since the last meeting the Neighbourhood Priorities have remained the same and will be reviewed following this round of forum meetings, this will be done using feedback from the meetings, incidents reported, results from Derbyshire talking surveys and engagement feedback.

ASB Hilton

PCSO Taylor has been attending Hilton Youth Club, high viz and plain clothes patrols have taken place throughout Hilton, Officers have engaged with any youths seen in the area. A Section 59 warning has been issued for the anti-social riding of a scooter in Hilton, school talks have been completed around ASB. Patrols/engagement continue but we are pleased to see the youth ASB issue has drastically reduced, and we are seeing no further reports. PC Bennett and PCSO Taylor met with PCC Angelique Foster and Cllr Patten at the Skate Park to update the actions taken to combat the previous ASB.

Intelligence lead enforcement

- Along with Environmental enforcement officers at SDDC, an animal welfare warrant
 was conducted in Etwall; Improvement notices issued to owners. SNT have
 progressed intelligence and took positive action relating to drug use and vehicle
 offences and will continue to do so.
- A vehicle seen parked in an ASB hot spot led to male being dealt with for possession of cannabis.



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• The team worked with SDDC to execute a warrant relating to offences of fly tipping on our area. The Investigation is being progressed by SDDC.

Auto Crime Prevention

We have posted crime prevention advice on our social media platforms and via Derbyshire alert and have held successful crime prevention events with tool marking/van security.

Since the last meeting in February Sgt Ben Frearson has been the SNT Sgt for this area along with Mercia and Melbourne areas. He is now due to move on to an inspector role in Derby. We will update you further when a new SNT Sgt is in post.

PCSO Taylor has been busy trying to attend community events like Hatton Carnival, Hilton Party in the Park, Radbourne Fete, as well as the summer sports activities which have been running throughout the holidays. She has met with Local Community Fire officer and has arranged some joint events for later this year along with joint school talks.

Op sceptre took place in May; test purchase operations with trading standards were completed along with school talks and knife sweeps, no knives located and all locations that had Test Purchases on this area passed.

PCSO Taylor met with residents and partner agencies at Hilton Village Hall for their Warm Spaces coffee morning. Following this, a meeting was held with residents, local area coordinator Charlotte, Hilton Village Hall, and South Derbyshire CVS to discuss the needs within the local area. Some great progress has been made into setting up a new community group.

Court update

A Hilton couple were found guilty of unlicensed dog breeding and ordered to pay fines totalling £24,179 at Derby Magistrates court, following a warrant conducted by SDDC Environmental Enforcement officers with SNT support. The kennels contained 19 dogs in total - including two litters of puppies in conditions that were not fit for purpose.

ACTION: Police to notify the meeting of their updated priorities

Police Q&A

Sandra Stanton from Hilton Parish Council raised concerns over speeding cars on The Mease, it is suspected these are from the Hilton depot and it appears the depot is also testing on The Mease. There was also a request for the commencement of the Hilton Speed watch be moved forward as they now had four residents interested in helping.

PCSO Supervisor Kerry Wallington Waites stated that the police will email Hilton Parish Council regarding the community speed watch.



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ACTION: Derbyshire Police to update if Hilton Speed watch can go ahead with four members instead of the usual six members.

Sandra Stanton also raised that bus stops were being damaged, with rocks and bricks found nearby. South Derbyshire District Council are aware of this issue as they sent out a team to help clean up the damaged bus shelter.

A resident raised an issue regarding anti-social behaviour caused by a privately owned residential care home for children which has been going on for some time. They have safe-guarding concerns as children appear to be locked in their rooms and were screaming out of the window. Children around 13-15 have also been shouting in the streets during the night and throughout the early hours of the morning. The care-home told them that there is nothing they can do about this as it would be against their liberties to stop them from going out. There is also graffiti on the roads that was put there by the children from the care home.

Councillor Patten raised that this was an issue for the City Council as the residential care home was run by Derby City Council, so it was not an issue that South Derbyshire District Council could intervene in. However, if there is a safeguarding issue such as children going missing, that will become a police issue.

PCSO Wallington Waite stated that Claire Rawlins (SDDC ASB Officer) will be having a meeting with the police, and the manager of the home on Thursday; Social Care are also invited to attend. Residents have requested an update on what comes from this meeting.

Residents understand the responsible authority may not be South Derbyshire with this issue but still feel like the safeguarding concerns should be dealt with and that there is a duty of care for the children at the home.

PSCO Wallington-Waite has spoken with the home and assured the meeting that they are keen to try and resolve these issues and added that there should be a further update as a result of the meeting taking place on Thursday.

Councillor Kirk made the residents aware that he is talking with the police and care home to gather data and information. He said that it may feel like little action is happening, but data is needed to categorise the problem and hopefully, some action will be taken because of the meeting. He acknowledges that residents of this residential home have been responsible for some damage around the area and that, one neighbouring household is being victimised. He believes that the needs of the many should outweigh the needs of the few.

Another member of the public raised that the original planning application was refused by South Derbyshire District Council and there was no proof of how it went through before the planning permission was granted. It was confirmed by another resident that planning permission was granted on appeal.

ACTION: Claire Rawlins to provide an update on the outcome of the meeting to Burnaston PC.



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There was also an issue regarding the A516. With residents moving into the new house estates, there appears to be a group of drivers who are using the roundabout and A516 as a race circuit during the evening.

The police haven't had any reports regarding this issue but will keep tabs on the issue.

Councillor Muller suggested that cameras be put around the area to deal with issues like the one raised as well as to help with issues that have happened in the past such as two caravans being dumped around there.

Another anti-social behaviour concern was raised regarding a park in Etwall. Around 6 months ago, South Derbyshire District Council fixed the swings but within two days they were broken again. Within the past two weeks, the swings have been vandalised twice so someone has had to go out and fix them. The CCTV for the park needs to be checked and the police will be in contact regarding the situation.

The last issue raised was by a member of the public regarding the issue of speeding. Over the past 18 months, four residents have been taking part in speed watch around Sutton Lane. They get around 260 cars going through an hour, however, around 22 of those will be speeding during that hour. Those who live there are aware of how bad the speeding is so have requested for police presence within the area since the issue is getting out of hand.

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E/A 3. South Derbyshire Community Safety Partnership/ Safer Neighbourhood

Grants Update

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Presented by Ian Hey as CVS sent their apologies.

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Safer Neighbourhoods Funding

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One local project has been received and approved by the Chairs of this forum and the CSP. £500 has been awarded to Eggington Parish Council for the setting up of a new Speed Watch Scheme. The scheme is being led by a local volunteer and the money will support the purchase of a radar speed gun, high vis jackets, signage and clipboards.

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<u>Q&A</u>



1. The draft local plan's online mapping and information system, such as the summary sheets contains a lot of errors, a letter has been sent to the Chief Executive regarding the issues.

Dr lves stated that once the letter has been received, management will take the actions necessary.

2. The council was praised for making their services available in paper form or faceto-face for those who aren't able to access the information online. The feedback for the service of bins and waste was positive as there was a response within 24 hours and everything worked well.

Dr lves will pass on the feedback received.

E/A 5. Summary of Agreed Actions

ACTIONS

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 - 2. Derbyshire Police to update if Hilton Speedwatch can go ahead with four members instead of the usual six members.
 - 3. Claire Rawlins ASB Officer to provide an update to Burnaston PC on the outcome of the meeting regarding the Care Home in Mickleover which is causing nuisance issues for local residents.

E/A 6. Close and Date of Next Meeting

TBC.

Councillor David Muller CHAIR The meeting terminated at 7:20pm



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SOUTH DERBYSHIRE COMMUNITY MEETING

<u>REPTON – AREA 2</u>

Meeting Minutes - September 7, 2023 at 6:30pm

Willington Old School

PRESENT: -

South Derbyshire District Council Representatives

Councillor Ian Hudson (Chair), Councillor David Shepherd, Councillor Martyn Ford Councillor Lakhvinder Singh, Councillor James Lowe, Councillor Kerry Haines

Dr Justin Ives – Chief Executive Officer, Claire Rawlins – Anti-Social Behaviour Officer, Paige Robinson – Communities Team Service Assistant

Derbyshire County Council Representatives

Councillor Martyn Ford, Councillor Neil Atkin

Derbyshire Police Representatives

INSP Mike Sisman, PCSO David "Bob" Marley

Parish Council/ Meeting Representatives

Helen Adcock – South Derbyshire CVS, Phillip Allsopp – Willington Parish Council Heather Hall – Findern Parish Council, David Dickson – Repton Parish Council

R/A 1. Open Meeting

- a) Introductions and Housekeeping
- b) Apologies

Ticknall Parish Councillor and Cliff Warner

c) Chair's Announcements

Free Tree Scheme (Parks and Green Spaces)

The details for the Councils Free Tree Scheme are currently being finalised. Anyone interested will be able to apply online for up to two trees in their garden, whilst organisations can apply for up to ten. The choice of tree species will be confirmed at the start of October, at which point you will be able to make an application online via the Councils Website. The closing date is the end of October.



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Council Information

There are a variety of information leaflets at the back of the room by the signing in sheet so please have a look on your way out.

Included is information on Vision Derbyshire, who can provide support on setting up new business, how to report dog fouling issues, information on the new Housing Tenants online access system and No Cold calling stickers.

New Chairs Charity

The new Chair of the Council Sean Bambrick has chosen Miles for Smiles as his chosen charity for this year. The Charity's mission is to relieve the needs of people with life limiting or life changing health conditions or who are disabled living in south Derbyshire, North-West Leicestershire, or East Staffordshire by providing grants and memorable experiences, through days out or mini breaks to individuals in need to enhance their quality of life.

d) To Receive the Minutes of the Last Meeting

All received as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

e) Matters Arising from the Last Minutes

1. An issue was raised regarding the cleaning of the gullies. They want to have a schedule of when they're supposed to be cleaned and won't accept that a schedule can't be made. Dr Justin Ives will pass this issue onto Heidi to see what can be done.

ACTION: Dr lves to go back to Heidi McDougall to make a further request for a spreadsheet regarding the gulley cleaning schedule.

2. Repton would like the '20's Plenty' scheme due to problems with speeding and parking but can't understand why Derby's County Council's permission is needed. Councillor Ford updated that results are being analysed to be sent off to cabinet.

R/A 2. Police Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) Report and Police Q&A

Police continue to respond to incidents and reports throughout the Mercia policing beat area. This includes every village, covering a very large geographical area including: Bretby, Calke, Findern, Foremark, Ingleby, Newton Solney, Repton, Milton, Smisby, Stenson Fields, Ticknall, Twyford & Stenson and Willington.

The community remain concerned about the impact speeding has on the quality of life on residents. Police have continued to encourage the growth of Community Speed Watch Groups. There are now numerous active speed watch groups carrying out regular checks. Praise should be given to the Willington, Milton, Repton and Smisby volunteers who give their time to keep roads safe. Police have regularly supported the work of these groups in the past months.



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On Wednesday this week, police supported Smisby Speed Watch after volunteers had been subjected to verbal abuse. Several speeders were dealt with at the location and one driver was stopped by police and discovered to have no insurance, resulting in his vehicle been seized. Similarly, when volunteers in Milton and Repton were subjected to unwanted abuse, officers investigated and discovered the identities of offenders who were visited at their home addresses and dealt with. Several volunteers from the area have been invited to attend the Police and Crime Commissioners' Speed Watch conference this weekend in Ripley. PCSO Marley stated he was proud of their contribution to keep local roads safe.

Police continue to undertake vehicle-related activity in Mercia. Operations have been conducted in Stenson Fields, Milton, and Repton recently. Several residents have expressed umbrage about e-scooters being ridden on public roads and pathways. SNT has taken action to address these concerns. In Findern, Willington and Stenson Fields officers have issued section 59 notice warnings to youths riding e-scooters. Following a disturbance in Stenson Fields officers seized two e-scooters which were being used to commit anti-social behaviour in the area. A male driver in Willington, who thought it was appropriate to use his vehicle to hurl rubbish in the village on several occasions, was identified and issued a section 59 notice warning.

Parking remains an issue in the villages of Repton and Willington. Police have taken action to address these concerns by patrolling locations of concern. Formal warnings have been issued to drivers who continue to park cars on pavements which causes concern to local residents, particularly those using mobility scooters and wheelchairs. Repton Parish Council are seeking to introduce an awareness campaign to educate drivers to this problem and police will continue to engage also.

In Newton Solney, police executed a drugs' warrant, items were recovered from the address and there is currently an investigation ongoing.

A man who robbed a pensioner in a targeted attack in Newton Solney after following him home from the pub has been jailed. The man grabbed the 86-year-old man from behind and tackled him to the floor. He then stole the victim's wallet, which contained £50 in cash and his bank cards, before running away.

In Repton, police have worked with the Youth Club which was developed in the last 12 months. SNT have assisted with funding bids to secure extra finance to keep the group operating into the future. Police have continued to visit schools to engage with young people, this includes talks and patrols at Newton Solney Infants School, Repton Primary School, St Wystans School, Repton Prep, Repton School, Willington Primary School, Findern Primary School, Stenson Fields Primary School, Littleover Highfields and numerous nurseries and private institutions in Ticknall, Littleover, Smisby and elsewhere. This positive engagement will continue throughout the year with several more visits already in the diary.

Police have supported volunteer groups too, this has included visits to a dementia group in Repton, several church and community action groups in Willington and youth groups in Stenson Fields



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Officers continue to attend incidents throughout the area. Some recent examples include:

- 1. Near Foremark, officers searched for a suicidal missing person and persisted throughout the evening. The male was discovered and supported. All necessary safeguarding was completed.
- 2. Police received reports of a vulnerable male who had jumped from Willington Bridge into the waters. Despite the horrendous weather conditions a rope was hooked over the male by members of the public and he was recovered from the river. All safeguarding and support were then completed.
- 3. The team have dealt with several dog-related incidents. Police are now working in partnership with South Derbyshire District Councils Environmental Health Team to create educational events about legal obligations of how owners should keep dogs under control.
- 4. Officers attended a local reservoir after receiving reports of over 20 children swimming in the water. The team dealt with the situation and took action to escort the young people away from the location. Firm words of advice were given about the dangers of swimming in the potentially dangerous waters.

<u>Q&A</u>

- 1. An issue was raised regarding the volume of car exhausts as they have been causing disturbances across the area. The police informed that if a number plate can be provided, they can place markers on the vehicle.
- 2. An issue was raised regarding speeding over the local areas. Most of the speeding happens after hours which is when the Crest Team isn't around as they work 9 to 5 on a Monday to Friday. A request was made for a team to be around all the time for a more proactive approach to catching speeders. The police responded that if they had videos of those who are speeding, it can be sent to them for the footage to be reviewed.

ACTION: Insp Sisman to give feedback to the Crest Team regarding speeding in Wragley way outside of the 9 to 5 hours and on weekends.

- 3. The Police were praised for the policing that has been received around the area of Repton.
- 4. Concern raised about how police prioritise calls/reports. A call was made to the police regarding drugs on a children's playground, it wasn't prioritised, and the lady had to take the drugs into the police station herself. However, another call regarding a dog urinating on a neighbour's lawn resulted in two police officers being dispatched. The police stated they had received the complaint and have dealt with the situation accordingly. The police also informed that if people had details regarding situations they are not happy with, then they can also put in a complaint.
- 5. The Willington Youth Group have the funding to open but do not yet have the number of volunteers they need to open. The group are still looking for more volunteers.



6. Police were praised on their response times to calls, as they had a response back to them within 24 hours.

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Safer Neighbourhoods Funding

Area $2 = \pounds 0$. No applications received so far this year. There is still £2500 Funding available for projects for the current financial year. The funding can support security measures, youth groups and anything that can impact on reducing or prevent crime or ASB. Anyone with any project ideas should contact Chris or Paige in the Communities Team.

R/A 4. Local Community and Voluntary Sector Projects/ Update

Active Travel –This service supports people who have no transport and are unable to use public transport to take them to medical appointments (GP's and hospital appointments). From April – June 23 we have supported 221 individuals and had 352 contacts. We are looking for more volunteers to help deliver this service. Referrals and enquiries 01283 219761 projectsupport@sdcvs.org.uk

Befriending – Since March 2020 our Befriending Service has been carried out through telephone calls. We are beginning to talk to volunteers and service users who want to resume face to face visits. From April – June 23 we have supported 102 individuals and 306 contacts based on 1 visit per week. We are looking for more volunteers to



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Handy Person Help at Home Support Service - This service provides practical solutions for those who need a bit of help to stay independent in their own homes. We can help with grab rails, key safes, and other minor adjustments. From April – June 23 we have received 137 referrals and 142 visits. Referrals and enquiries to 01283 219761 handysupport@sdcvs.org.uk

Home From Hospital

Has been continuing to support people throughout the pandemic. We have been helping people with shopping and prescription/ medication collection doing doorstep deliveries and these are continuing too. From April – June 23 we have supported 44 open cases and 23 new referrals across South Derbyshire. We are beginning to plan to introduce home visits again, but we will be doing so with caution and with procedures in place to keep everyone involved safe. We are looking for volunteers to help deliver this service. Referrals and enquiries 01283 817417 home@dhfh.org.uk

Safer Homes

This service is available to offer advice and practical assistance to people who have been victims of crime or are vulnerable. People will feel safer at home and have some things in place to protect their home. From April – June 23 we have completed 90 visits in South Derbyshire. Referrals and enquiries 01283 219761 projectsupport@sdcv.org.uk

Food Bank

Our Food Bank is now well established in our new premises at The Hive Unit G First Floor, Sharpes Industrial Estate, Alexandra Road, Swadlincote DE11 9AZ Swadlincote and collection of food parcels is by appointment only. Due to the increase in demand for this service we are now open 4 days a week - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday between 9.00am - 3:30pm. The service provides free emergency food parcels to families and individuals in the South Derbyshire area. From April – June 23 we distributed 313 food parcels to families/single people/homeless people, supported 383 adults and 255 children, provided 6012 meals through the distribution of the food parcels.

We are looking for more food donation collection points in South Derbyshire, so if anyone in your community would like to start collecting donations to support our food bank, please contact Petra on 07458 305314 or email <u>petrap@sdcvs.org.uk</u>

Partnership working with CAMM (Citizens Advice Mid Mercia)

CAMM continue to offer a great service in the Food Bank. The Casework Advisor is available every Thursday offering support clients who are experiencing debt and energy issues. From April to June

May we take this opportunity to thank the local residents and businesses in South Derbyshire that have supported the Food Bank over the past year with financial and food donations. This valued support has meant that many vulnerable and disadvantaged people have been able to access this service and start receiving other



support including debt and benefit issues, domestic abuse and more recently the costof-living crisis.

Community Development Team – the team support local communities, not-for-profit groups, and volunteers in South Derbyshire. Our aim is to provide support, information and advice to volunteer trustees, voluntary and community groups, registered charities, and social enterprises. We help new groups to set up with the appropriate governance (constitution, trustee board, policies and procedures and funding). For further information – development@sdcvs.org.uk

In the period April – June 23 the Team supported 88 groups during the three-month period supporting them with funding searches, governance, community engagements, finance, and volunteer recruitment.

Connect With CVS – our first Roadshow

In the next couple of months, the Com Dev and Direct Services Team will be visiting a number of venues in South Derbyshire to promote the work that we do at SDCVS.

We will be at the following venues:

- Shardlow Marina Saturday 9 & Sunday 10 September 10.00am 4.00pm
- Repton Village Hall Friday 15 September 10.00am 12.30pm
- Mid Mercia Marina Monday 18 September 10.00am 1.00pm
- Rosliston Forestry Centre Wednesday 27 September 10.00am 12.00
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- Ticknall Village Hall Tuesday 3 October 9.00am 11.00am
- Swarkestone Garden Centre Tuesday 3 October 11.30am 1.30pm
- Staunton Harold Tuesday 3 October TBC

So please do drop in and found out more about our services – Active Travel, Befriending, Home from Hospital, Safer Homes, Handy Person Help at Home, Derbyshire Time Swap, Volunteer Force, and our Com Dev Team supporting local groups.

Social Connectedness in South Derbyshire – a project to connect, engage and socialise local citizens in South Derbyshire with the volunteers, groups and organisations providing social connection in their communities. Since the project started, we have engaged in a number of community networks in Etwall, Hatton, Hilton, Repton, and Willington and supported 7 Warm Hubs in South Derbyshire. For more information email: helena@sdcvs.org.uk

Volunteer Force

The Volunteer Force helps to develop and promote volunteering in South Derbyshire with particular reference to the advertising, recruiting, training, and referring potential volunteers and providing recruitment support to voluntary and community groups and social enterprises. For more information email <u>Volunteer@sdcvs.org.uk</u>



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Shout out for Community Projects

SDCVS have access to volunteers and Time Swap members who would like to engage with and support community projects and events that fit in with the following criteria:

- Focusing on crisis support, e.g., food banks homelessness projects
- Youth advancement projects involved with schools, sports clubs, youth groups or youth support organisations
- Projects which have environmental impact
- Projects which promote or support social action or have a direct impact on the community, e.g., tackling loneliness
- Completed projects so far:
- Work with a conservation group in South Derbyshire, which is community-led, to build fencing to protect a butterfly conservation area.
- Work with a local church to complete the groundworks in preparation for the building of a community garden

To register your community project please click on the link <u>https://forms.office.com/e/ueEx3cDTKb</u> or email <u>Adrianm@sdcvs.org.uk</u>

Hive Training Solutions

As part of South Derbyshire CVS, Hive Training Solutions aim is to maximise the impact of the sector, help develop new opportunity and realise the potential in everyone.

Hive Training Solutions provides a range of pre-developed and accredited courses (see our Workshop Learning page for more details) ranging from GDPR, First Aid and Safeguarding to Impact Reporting and Search Engine Optimisation.

Additionally, HTS can develop bespoke solutions based around specific needs. For example, two local youth groups requested training on Working with Behaviour That Challenges. HTS prepared and delivered 13 hours of accredited learning to the voluntary youth support workers.

For a full list of training workshops and courses available to community groups and organisations, please go to https://hivetraining.org.uk/

Community Connectors Project

There are now 41 Community Connectors covering South Derbyshire supporting us to share information in their local communities regular Health and Wellbeing bulletins are sent out covering support around health and wellbeing, cost of living crisis, events, and training sessions. For more information – <u>Selinaw@sdcvs.org.uk</u>

Communications

We continue to send out regular newsletters/e-bulletins, events, training, job vacancies, volunteering opportunities and funding – www.sdcvs.org.uk

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We continue to target our non-digital audiences through our outreach work – leaflets/posters on parish notice boards, using the community magazines and attending more community events.

Derbyshire Time Swap in South Derbyshire

This project is a way of exchanging skills without any money changing hands. You do what you love, when you want to and get a little help when you need it. For every hour you spend helping someone, you earn an hour back from your time bank. Our Development Officer so far has:

- Attended the Festival of Leisure, Liberation Day, Volunteer Fair, and the Funding Fair events
- Has a regular drop in at Swadlincote Library to promote Derbyshire Time Swap
- Meeting with existing Time Swap members
- Sending out regular newsletter, promoting offers and swaps

To find out more about Derbyshire Time Swap email Stuartm@sdcvs.org.uk

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- 1. Concerns about emails not being responded to by SDDC and that even emails from Parish Councillors aren't being responded to. Requests for the council to improve this so that response times are quicker. Dr Ives is working on controlling communication issues and is looking into implementing ticket numbers with the Customer Access Strategy. Dr Ives asked for any un-responded emails to be forwarded to him.
- 2. Councillor Kerry Haines raised a question to ask if another flood liaison meeting would be organised shortly as there has not been one in a while and they have proved to be useful meetings. Dr Justin Ives advised that there should be another planned for the near future.
- 3. Councillor Shepherd raised multiple matters on behalf of himself and Councillor Singh. The first issue raised regarded the canal bridge in Sinfin Lane, there is foliage on the western side of the bridge which restricts the view of any vehicles approaching so has asked for the foliage to be cut back. Another issue raised was regarding speeding on Stenson Road; throughout the night there is a problem with speeding so has suggested a small roundabout at the junction of Stenson Road. The third issue raised is the increase of cost for school meals by 95p each. Whilst some have free school meals, Cllr Shepherd pointed out that those who just didn't meet the criteria for free meals will struggle to afford the raise. He has asked for the price to be reverted. The final issue raised by the Councillor was about the Local Government Boundary Commission as he doesn't think that Stenson Fields should be separated and served by two different county councillors.

ACTION: Councillor Atkin to take Councillor Shepards list of community concerns back to Derbyshire District Council for a response. Councillor Atkin to update on DDC's response at the next forum.

4. There were concerns raised regarding the erosion of Trent riverbank as lorries are unable to go down there. Any action that has tried to take place has ended up being halted and any suggestions haven't progressed. There has also been no response despite residents contacting the council about the issue.

ACTION: Chief Executive to arrange a meeting with Environmental agency and councillors regarding the erosion of the riverbank on Ferry Lane

R/A 6. Summary of Agreed Actions

Suggestion

- 1. Dr lves to go back to Heidi McDougall to make a further request for a spreadsheet regarding the gulley cleaning schedule.
- 2. Insp Sisman to give feedback to the Crest Team regarding speeding in Wragley way outside of the 9 to 5 hours and on weekends.
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R/A 7. Close and Date of Next Meeting

TBD.

Councillor lan Hudson CHAIR The meeting terminated at 7:35pm





SOUTH DERBYSHIRE COMMUNITY MEETING

MELBOURNE – AREA 3

Meeting Minutes – September 13, 2023 at 6:30pm

St Wilfred's Church

PRESENT: -

South Derbyshire District Council Representatives

Councillor Neil Atkin (Chair), Councillor Daniel Corbin, Councillor Jane Carroll

Heidi McDougall – Strategic Director, Chris Smith – Communities Manager, Paige Robinson – Communities Team Service Assistant

Derbyshire County Council Representatives

Councillor David Muller

Derbyshire Police Representatives

PCC Angelique Foster, Insp Mike Sisman, PC Todd Bennett, PCSO Finn Greville

Parish Council/ Meeting Representatives

Terry Summerlin – Melbourne Parish Council, Catherine Blackmore – Barrow upon Trent Parish Council, Toni Chapman – Barrow upon Trent Parish Council, Jean Longley – Aston Parish Council, Mark Brown – Elvaston Parish Council, Alison Hicklin-Barrow on Trent Parish Council, David Smith – Melbourne Parish Council, Fiona Keppel-Spoor- Aston, Elvaston and Shardlow Parish Councils, Frank Hughes – Melbourne Village Voice

Members of the Public

Julie Collett, Claire Newman, Mike Day, Linda Chilton

M/A 1. Open Meeting

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- b) Apologies; Councillor Martin Fitzpatrick, Councillor Peter Watson
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d) To Receive the Minutes of the Last Meeting

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e) Matters Arising from the Last Minutes

No matters from the last minutes were raised.

M/A 2. Police Crime and Commissioner Presentation

The Police and Crime Commissioner was elected back in May 2021. She also has served as the Leader of Dronfield Town Council since 2015 and from 2017 to 2021, PCC Foster was a cabinet member for Corporate Services at Derbyshire County Council.

Roles of the Police and Crime Commissioner include:

- 1. Setting key strategic priorities for policing in Derbyshire
- 2. Publishing a Police and Crime Plan for the county
- 3. Setting the Force budget and set the Council Tax
- 4. Holding the Chief Constable to account
- 5. Commissioning Victim Support Services
- 6. Leading and facilitating partnership working

Roles of the Chief Constable:

- 1. Implementing operational strategy for the Force (Operational independence)
- 2. Delivering on the Police and Crime Plan set out by the Commissioner.

The budget for 2023/24 was around £220million. 75% of this funding is spent on pay and allowance for police officers and staff. Around 11% of the total Council Tax bill



goes towards policing, with 0.59% going to the Police and Crime Commissioner's office.

The Derbyshire Police and Crime Plan was published in November 2021 which reflects the views of people in Derbyshire and helps to set the key policing strategic priorities.

Residents say they want:

- 1. More officers on the streets
- 2. Budget efficiencies to reinvest in frontline policing
- 3. A reduction in anti-social behaviour, burglaries, and theft
- 4. Improved road safety for all
- 5. Improvements to reduce waiting times for 101 and 999
- 6. A more robust response to rural crime

One priority area for the Police and Crime Commissioner is Strong Local Policing. This is being delivered through having 351 additional officers and 100 extra officers trained to use tasers. There is also a significant investment going into improving 101 and 999 such as reduced waiting times (the average triage wait is 54 seconds and control works are around 3 minutes and 26 seconds). There is also investment in police stations across Derbyshire, such as funding for extra equipment (e.g., Laptops, e-bikes, drones).

Neighbourhood Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour is another priority. The PCC is delivering on this by making home burglaries a priority, creating a new Acquisitive Crime team and the creation of two new ASB co-ordinators roles, as well as a dedicated ASB hub. There has been a 53% reduction in ASB and 32% reduction in home burglaries. The Derbyshire Action plan for 23/24 focuses on extra police patrols and a Local Reparative Justice Scheme. There is also Safer Streets funding and support for Neighbourhood Watch schemes.

There is Commissioner' Grant Funding which puts £300k into communities to tackle ASB in the County. Organisations can apply for up to £5000. 56x community groups, town and parish councils have received funding in the first three rounds for things such as CCTV cameras, security measures and youth provisions with a further £100k being launched for the 23/24 year towards tackling ASB.

The PCC gave £25k for each District and Borough Community Safety Partnership along with £50k for Derby city with a total spend of £250k per year.

The PCC has also worked to deliver on road safety through equipping extra vehicles with ANPR, having over 1000 hours invested into tackling speeding and dangerous driving through Op Sparta and Op Cruiser. Funding to Bike Safe to educate motorcyclists with 256 receiving training in 2022. There has been an increase in support and funding for Community Speed Watch. These have helped to bring fatal casualties down by 16% from 2019.

There has been work to introduce new policy at Derbyshire County Council; the scheme has made Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs) directly accessible to Parishes and Community Groups. £150k is to be invested into SIDs through the Road Safety Grant. These devices have a proven track record in reducing speeding and keeping



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communities safe. A total of 65x SIDs have been funded and installed across Derbyshire so far.

Increased resources have been provided to the Rural Crime Team with increased training for the specialist officers. There is also a new online rural crime reporting form that has been launched. Targeted specialist support for victims of domestic abuse has been provided through the Willow Project.

There is now also better coverage of North/South Derbyshire with an extra officer now in Swadlincote. A future Derbyshire Rural Crime Partnership HUB is planned in the near future.

For Victim support and safeguarding, over £4.3 million per year has been invested into community safety and victim support services and £4 million planned investment in crime reporting services (101 and 999). There is also a new Missing Persons team. Strategies such as the Young People Strategy and Violence Against Woman and Girls Strategy have been put in place alongside the creation of a Victims App and Serious Violence unit. The Government's 10-year Drug and Alcohol Strategy has also been implemented.

The PCC has also delivered a new countywide multi-agency Derbyshire specific strategy to reduce violence against women and girls. A dedicated Stalking Co-Ordinator post has been funded alongside funding for two new independent Stalking Advisor posts and Safer Streets Funding.

£3 million of efficiency savings are being reinvested into frontline policing with f cost savings within the Commissioner's office (£75k reinvested in Victims Support for 2022/2023). £800k of further savings have been identified for 2023/24. There is ongoing scrutiny of the force's spending through the creation of a Financial Assurance Board. Lastly, a mental health triage has saved officers 3500 hours over a four-month period.

The 'Golden Threads' in the Police and Crime plan:

- 1. Have a working partnership through improved engagement and communication
- 2. Then, the relationship between police and communities will be strengthened
- 3. As a result, there will be better and stronger policing

Going forward, the Safer Neighbourhood Team will:

- Provide a clear point of contact so that two-way engagement can be maintained
- Support effective engagement by providing information on who deals with different issues and concerns
- Clear local priorities based on community feedback

M/A 3. Police Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) Report and Police Q&A

There has been an increase in resources based in Melbourne and Swadlincote. Two new PCSOs are currently in training with one of those to be stationed in Area 3 with two trained officers already on the Safer Neighbourhood Team. Sgt Frearson recently left, so a new sergeant is being recruited. The police have attended the download debrief recently following issues at this year's event.



Speeding has been an issue across South Derbyshire and Area 3 is no different. There has also been vehicle crime on the A50 with lorry thefts, but it is hard to police. Antisocial behaviour has been low within the Melbourne area with it being down by 53%, the Safer Neighbourhood Team have done some work with young people and since then, a decrease in the level of ASB has been seen. Within the last seven days, there was only one crime reported in Area 3. Figures are low for burglary, but it still remains a police priority alongside domestic abuse. Problems regarding traffic are also being dealt with. In Barrow, ASB and fly-tipping are issues have been reported, but they are being tackled as it is a constantly patrolled area, there has been a reduction in the number of fly-tips. Another issue in Barrow was regarding off road bikes but the police dealt with the situation and there haven't been reports since. Dog on dog crimes (e.g., dogs biting other dogs) are a priority and there is work with the Council Community Safety Enforcement Wardens to reduce this, such as distributing leaflets.

Community Speed Watch within Area 3 needs more interest and promotion to gain volunteers, there are plans to get events/stalls set up to inform people about it. Speed Watch is important because it gives results on the level of the issue which allows for the right resources to be used to try and reduce speeding.

<u>Q&A</u>

- 1. Councillor Daniel Corbin thanked the PCC due to their funding which allowed the Parish Council to put cameras up which have helped to significantly reduce the ASB issue in the area.
- 2. Mark Brown from Elvaston Parish Council asked what good the Speed Watch scheme does.

PCSO Greville answered that it helps them out as they are aware speeding is an issue in every area, but they can't be out in any area all the time to ticket everyone so if there are volunteers it increases the areas that can be monitored. Alongside CREST, they can have a better representation of what's going on regarding speeding. PCC Foster added that Speed Watch is an extra tool for communities that helps to provide local safety and that it helps to deter speeders as the scheme becomes more well known, national reports show that 70% of people surveyed said it changed their behaviour. Finally, SGT Sisman added that the areas with active Speed Watch communities provide data which can be used to evidence the need for more permanent traffic calming measures. Also get a letter if they are caught speeding using the speed guns and if they are repeat offenders they will get a visit from a Police Officer.

3. Frank Hughes, a resident, raised an issue regarding anti-social behaviour. Whilst the presentation given by the PCC is going to be down by 53%, people in the area believe that it is actually rising but people aren't reporting the issue.

SGT Sisman responded that ASB issues should always be reported to them. However, there are only certain places where a report is considered formal (places like Facebook don't result in formal reports). There can also be a misconception on what anti-social behaviour is. Sometimes, what people think is ASB, is actually



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kids just being loud whilst not actually causing any issues. PCC Foster adds that it is difficult to tackle the issue of public perception as it just creates fears within communities, so it is better to look at the statistics provided by the police.

4. Resident Linda Chilton, who is part of community Speed Watch, raised a problem with speeding cars as one police officer can only deal with one vehicle at a time so some vehicles may be getting missed.

Sgt Sisman informed that everyone who is reported via Speed Watch does get sent a letter if the numberplate is caught. More officers are also now able to go out as the Safer Neighbourhood Team is fully staffed whereas it wasn't before.

5. An issue was raised regarding speeding down Derby Road, particularly by young people, and asked what measures would be taken to try and prevent it as it has been reported.

Sgt Sisman informed that the police have many priorities, including speeding. There are many locations across the district where speeding is a priority and they try and target as many areas as they can. The issue should keep being reported.

A request to have the PCSO attend parish council meetings again since they no longer do.

The PCC added that the police are trying to improve the relationship with local authorities but would rather have police officers out on the job rather than have officers attending meetings.

- 6. Councillor Muller raised that Derbyshire Police have now had more input with Download festival committee so as of the next meeting, there should be more input. There were also issues surrounding parking such as the price so would like that to be sorted. Councillor Corbin added that the festival impacted traffic throughout the area, making it difficult to travel.
- 7. Parish Cllr Dave Smith requested reports about police priorities and successes be sent to local Parish Councils so they aware of the police are doing within their area.

M/A 4. Local Authority Update and Public Q&A

<u>Housing</u>

The Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund Wave 1 is now approaching completion, providing improved insulation, doors, and windows to 89 properties in Swadlincote, Melbourne, Hartshorne and Netherseal.

Wave 2 will provide similar improvements to around 103 properties in: Hilton, Church Broughton, Scropton, Smisby, Hartshorne, Netherseal and Lullington.

The tenants of the properties that may be included are being written to informing them of the scheme and will be consulted with before any works commence.



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Legal and democratic services

The Annual Canvass for 2023 has started - this is the process where the Council contacts every household to check we've got the right information on the Electoral Register. The process also gives anyone who isn't registered to vote yet, the chance to do so.

The Council is committed to reducing its impact on the environment and therefore we will be using on-line methods of contact where possible. Online contact will also reduce costs by reducing postage, paper, and processing time.

You will receive an email or letter asking if your household's details on the Electoral Register are correct. All you need to do is follow the instructions, and you'll be ready to have your say in upcoming elections. You can reply online, by phone, text, or by returning the paper form.

If you can reply online, we encourage you to do this. If you have to respond and do not respond, we will try to contact you by telephone or make a property visit.

Cultural and Community services

The new South Derbyshire Community Grant Fund is now open for applications (leaflets with details are available on the table by the signing in sheet.)

This scheme, administered by South Derbyshire District Council, is financed by part of South Derbyshire's allocation of UK Shared Prosperity Funding (UKSPF) and Rural England Prosperity Fund (REPF) monies.

The Fund has a total of £350,000 available over the next two years until March 2025.

Capital grants of between £2,000 and £25,000 are available (up to 80% of total project costs) with a minimum project cost of £2,500. Match funding of 20% is required.

Applicants must demonstrate that their project meets one or more of the Shared Prosperity Fund outcomes and further information including a Guide to the Criteria, Application Process and Conditions of Funding is available on the Community Grants section of the Council's website, when you search "Community Grants".

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<u>Q&A</u>

1. First matter concerned the local parish elections. A Parish Councillor requested that a better method be implemented when registering for elections. In the past, there has been a long wait for forms to be scrutinized despite the small window of time for the forms to be put in. It is also inaccessible for some applicants so there needs to be a quicker process since it has to be presented in person.

ACTION: Feedback regarding the local parish elections to be passed onto the elections team to review comments and see what changes could be made.

2. Parish Councillor Dave Smith is concerned about empty Council properties since there are people waiting for houses that can't find anywhere whilst Council houses sit empty.

Heidi responded that there has been a backlog due to the pandemic as it caused issues with getting labour and materials to make modifications to properties, but if there are particular addresses that there is a concern about, an update can be provided on those.

3. There were many concerns regarding weeds growing on and being ingrained in the curbs in Shardlow. The Councillors and public want the weeds to be dealt with as there has only been one grass cut so far this year.

Cllr Corbin added that despite there being a cut this year, the quality of the first grass/weed cut wasn't great.

There were similar issues regarding overgrown verges raised in Aston, Barrow and Swarkeston, some of the weeds that are left to grow can get into Farmers fields and damage crops.

Heidi Mc Dougall replied that the 'No mow May' is a national campaign that isn't particularly tied to SDDC, but there will be further cuts later in the year and information can be provided regarding the cuts if requested. The weeds are also treated a few times within the year to prevent invasive species from growing.

Heidi also added that the first cut of the year is usually the hardest due to the weeds and grass being left over the winter; there has also been a change of who



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is cutting the weeds. If there are any further problems, then contact SDDC and inform them of the locations as it can give help with feedback.

M/A 5. Summary of Agreed Actions

ACTIONS Feedback regarding the local parish elections to be passed onto the elections team to review comments and see what changes could be made. Derbyshire Police to do a street speeding survey on Derby Road. David Smith (Melbourne PC) requested for a short report from Derbyshire Police be submitted for Parish council meetings Heidi McDougall to look into the situation of the overgrown grass verges and provide an update.

M/A 6. Close and Date of Next Meeting

TBD.

Councillor Neil Atkin CHAIR The meeting terminated at 8:30pm



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SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AREA FORUM MEETING

SWADLINCOTE – AREA 4

Meeting Minutes - September 13, 2023

Emmanuel Church

PRESENT: -

South Derbyshire District Council Representatives

Councillor Mick Mulgrew (Chair), Councillor Gordon Rhind, Councillor Ben Stuart, Councillor Alistair Tilley, Councillor Alan Haynes, Councillor Angela Archer, Councillor Malcolm Gee, Councillor Stephen Taylor

Tracey Bingham – Strategic Director, Paige Robinson – Service Assistant, Chris Smith – Communities Team Manager, Max Boyce – Environmental Services

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Councillor Alan Haynes

Derbyshire Police Representatives

Inspector Mike Sisman, PCSO Tarjinderjit Nizzer

Parish Council/ Meeting Representatives

Liz Gumbley – CVS

Members of the Public

Rebecca Robinson, Richard Homas, Margaret Shepherd, Paul Miller, Helen Miller Peter Harrison, Carol Harrison, Samantha Nibell, Judy Wilkins, Richard Wilkins Carl Barratt

S/A 1. Open Meeting

a) Introductions and Housekeeping

b) Apologies

Councillor Peter Smith, Councillor Neil Tilley, Councillor Vonnie Redfern, Ian Boam, Jenny Burley from Goseley Centre

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Swadlincote Christmas lights switch on

The Council is pleased to announce that the annual Swadlincote Christmas lights switch on will be on Saturday 25th November, between 4pm – 7pm.

Building on last year's successful family event, there will be illuminated street performers, live festive music, street food and the Christmas light switch on at 6:30pm.

There will be lots to see and do including late night shopping in the town with artisan and craft stalls and local businesses opening until late.

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All received as a true and accurate record.

e) Matters Arising from the Last Minutes

No matters arising from the last minutes.

S/A 2. Police Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) Report and Police Q&A

Derbyshire police now have a fully staffed Safer Neighbourhood Team with all PCSO vacancies filled. Two of the PCSOs are training until October. The Priorities for South Derbyshire are burglary, robbery, and domestic abuse. Whilst robbery and burglary are low within the area, domestic abuse is still quite high which is why it is the top priority. The police have been patrolling at Eureka Park and around the Highstreet which are anti-social behaviour hotpsots. There is a WhatsApp group for shops on the



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Highstreet so if there is a case of shoplifting then they can contact each other. Test purchase ops are being carried out with Trading standards to make sure shop aren't selling knives or vapes to minors. There has been a number of cannabis grows found within Swadlincote area, if people are aware of any drug dealers or suspect grows, then they should be reported so the police or via crime stoppers.

One of the most prolific shoplifters within Swadlincote was arrested recently. If there are any issues within the town centre, specifically around shoplifting, then they need to be reported. The police cannot do anything about a problem if it isn't formally reported. There is also work being done within Swadlincote to tackle nuisance and illegal mopeds and e-scooter use, especially in Eureka Park.

<u>Q&A</u>

1. An issue was raised regarding Resthaven, where there are children climbing up into trees and breaking branches off into the road and playing football on the grassed area. Complaints have been made but nothing has been done about the issue and the council won't put up 'no ball games' signs, The council asked them to fill in incident forms, the residents had a petition with signatures, but the council said there's still nothing they can do about it as they don't think the issues the children are causing are anti-social.

Cllr Mulgrew said that if this is a reoccurring problem then it needs to be reported to Councillors. He suggested fencing the area if the problem continues. Chris Smith informed that the Council cannot stop kids from playing football if they aren't causing any damage and the police said they will take the number and go have a look at the area.

2. Another issued raised was regarding HGVs that were causing traffic on Sandcliffe Road that it is getting worse. It was asked if it was possible for the police to be made more aware of the issue and if officers can pull over HGVs to deal with them.

The police updated that they are aware of the HGV issue across areas within South Derbyshire and they are doing a lot of work around the issue.

3. A resident had issues with vehicles on Church Street due to speeding, noise of exhausts and HGVs. People cannot have their windows open due to the noise of the exhausts constantly happening. Questioned if the police are able to do anything about the situation.

The police inform that if anti-social behaviour is reported or exhausts deliberately being used to disturb residents then it will be logged by them and can be dealt with.

4. A member of the public asked about who is responsible regarding the policing of double yellow lines as he saw seven cars parked on double yellow lines down Moira Road, with one of the cars being there for over a week. This issue is worrying since there are more houses being built so there is concern over where even more traffic will go, especially during 8-9am.



Chris informed that it is the job of the county council as their Civil Parking wardens do enforcement for parking on double-yellow lines but, SDDC can report it on his behalf.

5. An issue surrounding drug dealing around Woodville Recreation was raised which was upsetting residents, so they wanted to make the police aware.

If the location has been reported to the police, then the police will look into the situation and patrol the area, if issues continue then the public are urged to keep reporting it.

- 6. Chris Smith read out an email a resident had sent in regarding several issues to be raised in his absence:
 - a) The old derelict shop on the corner of Hastings Road and Church Avenue, has been attracting people of all ages to walk around the back to the outbuildings. he would like to know what can be done about the building. The last update he received was that the local authority had received planning permission to turn the building into flats.
 - b) The speed of vehicles coming off the new bypass over the brow of the hill by the skate park (Neville Lumbs old building) on common lane. Sometimes vehicles are also on the wrong side of the road. The pavement is becoming narrower too, as the verge is spreading over the pavement, and it needs someone with a shovel to cut it back.
 - c) On the same stretch of road there are large accumulations of rubbish in the verge, and towards the old Neville limb premises builder rubble. They would consider litter picking this area if provided with the equipment.
 - d) Speeding vehicles from Wilmot Road onto Church Avenue make attempting to get out of Trinity Grove challenging and seems to be worse after 6pm. There is also have issues with cars that are adapted to make the exhaust noisy.

Police informed that speeding is an issue across the district and is usually done by people who live locally, in order for them to be caught, it needs to be reported to the police so they can go out and monitor the area or they can catch those who speed themselves if they choose to join the local community Speed Watch.

e) The last question queried why the toilets at Swadlincote Woodlands have not been open for most of the summer. The resident asked if they will be open again soon.

Another local resident of Trinity Grove raised concerns over speeding on scooters, particularly teenagers, within the local area that are putting people at risk.

ACTION: CS to get responses for the resident regarding issues raised.



S/A 3. South Derbyshire Community Safety Partnership/ Safer Neighbourhood Grants Update

South Derbyshire CSP Update

South Derbyshire CVS have produced a new leaflet for the Safer Homes service, a supply of these can be found on the signing in table at the back.

The service can improve the security of people's homes through a free crime prevention survey and the fitting of free security items. Victims of crime, vulnerable people and the over 60s can access the scheme. Self-referrals are accepted. Contact details and how to refer are included on the leaflets which are available at the signing in table.

281 properties were secured in South Derbyshire in 2022/23 and 90 referrals were received in Q1 of this year.

In June the Town Centre Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) was re-introduced, this gives police and Council Enforcement officers additional powers to deal with ASB. The order includes prohibitions on street drinking and any person misbehaving can be removed from the area for a 24-hour period. There is also a new prohibition to prevent nuisance cycling and scooter use.

We are currently consulting on introducing another Public Space Protection Order at Eureka Park. The park has had persistent ASB over the last few years and the prohibitions will be exactly the same as in Swadlincote Town Centre PSPO.

We are again supporting knife crime education sessions in South Derbyshire Support Centre in Newhall. An organisation called Street whyze visit the school and provide both 1-2-1 work and group sessions. The service is being extended to be delivered at Pingle, William Allitt and Granville Schools during the coming year.

Safe and Sound continue to visit Swadlincote and Newhall to do valuable outreach work. The charity which focuses primarily on Child Exploitation are making weekly visits to our urban parks to talk to young people. Valuable information is passed onto us and also to the Parks team about any issues or requests to improve the parks.

Safer Neighbourhoods Funding

There is still Funding available for projects for the current financial year. Anyone with any projects should contact Chris or Paige.

Area 4 = £5690

- 1. £690 was approved towards 4 new CCTV Cameras at Gosely Community Centre
- 2. £2500 was approved to install new CCTV Cameras at Woodville Rec to cover equipment which is prone to being damaged.



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<u>Q&A</u>

- 1. A member of the public asked if there was a deadline regarding the Annual Canvass for 2023. Tracey Bingham informed that the council is currently doing a promotion of it but there are no time scales to hand as it needs committee approval.
- 2. A member of the Magic Attic asked about if two tram poles within South Derbyshire can be preserved and not destroyed since they have cultural history. Chris will look into the situation since the District Council does have funding for cultural heritage, however, Tracey raised that there may be an issue as to who owns the poles/area of land since it might not be the district council.
- 3. Another Member of the public had a grievance about the new island on Derby Road. They felt as though it had not helped Swadlincote but only Woodville. People cannot turn right due to the island which has made the traffic to Coppice Side worse. They requested for the county council to change the island, so the traffic



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doesn't go to Coppice Side. There was also another grievance raised regarding the local waste ground at the bottom of Coppice Side; it was promised to be kept at 2ft high so you could see around it, but you cannot due to shrubbery growth as it is also pushing the fence over. They have had to pay for pest control due to issues with rats there.

ACTION: SDDC to contact DDC regarding the issues

S/A 6. Summary of Agreed Actions

ACTIONS		
 Cllr Mulgrew to liaise with Police and SDDC regarding Rest Haven and the issues with kids climbing the trees and playing football on the grassed area 		
2. Police to check Church Street regarding speeding and HGV issues.		
3. Chris Smith to report the double yellow lines parking on Moira Road to DDC.		
4. Police to patrol and investigate drug issues around the Woodville Recreation.		
5. CS to respond to resident who raised several incidents but couldn't attend the meeting.		
Report to DCC the issue of lorries on Kiln Way not being able to turn right, resulting traffic issues.		
7. Chris Smith to contact the Heritage Officer at SDDC regarding the tram poles.		
8. SDDC to find out the owners of the waste ground by Coppice Side.		

S/A 7. Close and Date of Next Meeting

TBC.

Councillor Mick Mulgrew CHAIR

The meeting closed at 19:30 pm





SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AREA FORUM MEETING

LINTON – AREA 6

Meeting Minutes – September 26th, 2023

Rosliston Forestry Centre

PRESENT: -

South Derbyshire District Council Representatives

Councillor Alistar Tilley (Chair), Councillor Amy Wheelton, Councillor Gareth Jones Councillor Daniel Pegg

Heidi McDougall – Strategic Director, Chris Smith – Communities Team Manager Paige Robinson – Communities Team Service Assistant, Max Boyce – Community Safety Enforcement Officer

Derbyshire County Council Representatives

N/A

Derbyshire Police Representatives

Inspector Mike Sisman, Sgt Taj Nizzer, PCSO Supervisor Kerry Wallington-Waite PCSO Andrea Thompson, PCSO Kieran Bell, PC Shaun Murray

Members of the Public

Eddie Biskell, J Hale, M Hale

Parish Council/Meeting Representatives

Adrian Moore – CVS, Ann Hughes – Overseal Parish Council, Julianne Reynolds – Netherseal Parish Council, Avril Wing – Netherseal Parish Council, Steve Sharp – Overseal Parish Council, Kevin Tizzard – Linton Parish Council, Paul Marbrow – Rosliston Parish Council, Stephanie Marbrow – Rosliston Parish Council

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L/A 2. Police Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) Report and Police Q&A

Since the last meeting:

The Rural Crime Team are carrying out frequent visits across Linton, Netherseal and Overseal. The current police priorities across South Derbyshire are burglary, robbery, and domestic abuse. Both burglary and robbery are low but domestic abuse rates are quite high, so is their highest priority. There has recently been new staff recruited to the SNT, so the team is now fully staffed. Funding has also allowed for each officer to have laptops which helps save paper and time. The police have done a lot of cross-border work with other police forces such as Leicestershire.

 Our communities remain concerned about the impact speeding has and we encourage anyone that is interested in forming or joining a Community Speed Watch group. Currently there are active CSW teams in Coton-in-the-Elms and Overseal with Walton on Trent becoming active in a few weeks' time. Any further details required then please get in touch with your SNT.



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• HGV's breaching the weight restrictions has been an issue, this is currently a Neighbourhood Priority for Police and Partners to try to resolve. PCSO Thompson has spoken to 47 haulage companies since last Forum. From the 47, 16 had legitimate reasons to be driving within the weight restricted area.

<u>August Speed results –</u>

a) Coalpit lane:

- 1:15pm 2:00pm
 - 1) 68 Cars checked = 4 Speeders
 - 2) 1 HGV Transport Manager contacted

b) Castle Gresley:

- 2:10pm 2:40pm
 - 1) 80 cars checked = 1 Speeder
 - 2) No HGVs

c) Walton on Trent:

- 2:50pm 3:20pm
 - 1) 100 cars checked = no speeders
 - 2) 2 HGV's

<u>September Speed results –</u>

a) Coalpit Lane:

- 09:00am 09:30am
 - 1) 50 cars = no speeders
 - 2) No HGV's

3:45pm – 4:06pm

- 3) 55 cars = no speeders
- 4) No HGV's

08:05am – 08:55am

- 5) 77 cars = 5 speeders
- 6) 2 HGV's

b) Rosliston Friday:

- 08:00am 08:50am
 - 1) 72 cars = 5 speeders (three from the village)
 - 2) 8 HGV's/tractors all legitimate
 - Most of the HGV's breaching the weight restriction are national companies who may never return to the location again so moving forward we will stop this method and focus resources on enforcing breaches when we complete checks/patrols. Whilst this remains an issue any long-term action/changes would sit with Derbyshire County



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INTELLINGENCE LED – ENFORCEMENT PRIORITIES

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COURT UPDATES

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- **Drakelow:** We have attended the newly formed Drakelow Parish meetings at Stapenhill following some issues caused from youths crossing the border. Joint working will continue should further ASB occur.
- Kieran and Andrea have been introducing themselves to new residents at Drakelow, offering crime prevention advice, engagement and signing up residents to Derbyshire Alert along with working with Housing associations and partner agencies to tackle a few issues.

<u>Q&A</u>

1. A resident questioned how many of the 47 HGVs were prosecuted as this is an ongoing issue within the local area.

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2. The police were praised for their work as many people are pleased about the level of policing within the area. An issue was then raised regarding some of the 30mph signs being faint or missing so queried if the county council can replace these signs on Coton road and Rosliston Road.

ACTION: Contact to be made with DCC regarding faint 30mph signs.



3. A question was asked about crime stats as they no longer get them at Parish Council meetings like they used to.

If people are interested in crime stats, then they can email their local PCSO about them since they can't always be at meetings and don't always have the time to be in the office making the reports. They are also available via <u>https://www.police.uk/</u>.

4. Some concerns were brought up regarding a lack of footpath at Walton Road in Drakelow, so pedestrians are having to walk in the road. According to the resident, there used to be a footpath there but due to roadworks, the path was flattened and now isn't visible.

Councillor Amy Wheelton informed residents that footpaths and sustainable transport (buses, footpaths) are a Derbyshire and Staffordshire County Council matter, however the District Council planning department is working with the County Councils and developers looking at solutions.

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ACTION: Police to visit Drakelow School and give out high vis items ACTION: Amy Wheelton to provide update on the situation of Walton Road.

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- 2. Another resident requested for better HGV signs for the roads by Cricket Inn. Heidi McDougall informed that this was a County Council issue so requests need to go direct to them, and via the local County Councillor.
- 3. There was a question raised about if the speed limit could be reduced on 50 mph roads within the area. Heidi McDougall pointed out that this issue was another County Council matter rather than an issue that SDDC could deal with.

N/A 6. Summary of Agreed Actions

Action	Person responsible
Request better 30mph speed limit signage within the Linton area due to it being faded or missing	SDDC to Contact Highways and County Councillor Swann
Police to visit Drakelow/ Walton Primary School with high-visibility supplies to discuss road safety	SNT
Provide an update at the next meeting on further plans regarding Walton Road	Amy Wheelton
Contact DCC about better signage at Cricketts Inn on A444	Communities Team

N/A 7. Close and Date of Next Meeting

TBC. Venue to be confirmed.

Councillor Alistair Tilley CHAIR The meeting terminated at 19:52pm





SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AREA FORUM MEETING

NEWHALL – AREA 5

Meeting Minutes – September 27, 2023

The Old Post Centre

PRESENT: -

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N/A 2. Police Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) Report and Police Q&A

Since the last meeting

- There has recently been nuisance from off road bikes in Newhall. Due to the issue, there was a meeting with the Landowners who confirmed the area is private property with no permission for bikes. Weak boundary areas were identified, resulting in bollards being placed on the pull in area to stop vans parking, signage put up and bike barriers placed on the footpath opposite which was being used to access. SNT patrols were prioritised, and riders were stopped and issued section 59 warnings giving the police powers to seize their bike if seen causing anti-social behaviour (ASB) again. As a result, we are no longer receiving reports of this nature.
- We have completed our first year of Mini Police with Newhall Juniors, the school and pupils enjoyed it and have started this year with the new year 6 pupils. We go into the school every Friday and teach the children about all aspects of the police and staying safe.
- There are two Community Speed Watch (CSW) groups in police area five: one in Newhall and one in Midway.
- The team worked with Trading Standards Officers to carry out Test Purchase Operations, visiting shops which sell vapes & knives. Two shops failed for selling a



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Stanley knife & a vape to underage test purchasers. Both cases are now being dealt with by Trading Standards.

- The SNT have found and recovered around 15 stolen vehicles across the district. As well as dealing with numerous vehicle owners for no insurance/ licence offences.
- The team have been working closely with South Derbyshire District Council issuing ASB letters/ contracts and Community Protection Notice Warnings (CPNW's) to individuals causing ASB.
- A BMW was stopped on Plummer Road, Newhall and the driver was arrested for possession of an offensive weapon, concerned in the supply of drugs and drug driving as they tested positive for cocaine. On searching the home address of the driver there were concerns for the welfare of a dog at the property. The driver was further arrested for unnecessary cruelty to an animal and the dog was seized.
- A positive warrant was executed at a property on Parliament Street, Newhall where a substantial amount of drugs and cash were recovered, resulting in a male being charged with possession with intent to supply class B drugs, production of class B drugs and possession of an offensive weapon in a private place.
- A positive warrant executed at a property on Union Road, Midway resulted in a male being arrested after a large-scale cannabis grow was found at the address and the electricity had been by passed from a different location meaning the pavement had to be dug up to enable the property to be made safe.
- From intelligence we have received a 43-year-old male has been interviewed for possession of class B drugs, a 35-year-old male has been identified for shop thefts and a 43-year-old male has been interviewed and issued with a summons for shop theft.
- A blue Ford Transit that was seen in various suspicious circumstances led to the arrest of two males on suspicion of theft, the vehicle was seized as believed to have been used in connection of a crime. A 49-year-old and a 15-year-old male from Birmingham were subsequently charged with six thefts.
- A male of no fixed abode was convicted at court for driving dangerously and failing to appear at court. He received a rehabilitation order, is required to carry out 180 hours of unpaid work, will receive a 12-month disqualification from driving (to remain disqualified until he passes a driving test again) and pay £200 in court costs.
- A 20-year-old male arrested by SNT officers pled guilty in Court to Public Order offences and an assault on an emergency services worker. He received a community order, 150 hours unpaid work and £85 in court costs.
- Following reports of distraction thefts in the South Derbyshire area committed by two males including at places of worship, an arrest of a 33-year-old male for 14 offences in South Derbyshire was made.



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- A male from Chrysanthemum Court has been dealt with by the Courts for driving whilst disqualified, having no insurance, failing to stop and driving under the influence of cannabis. The male received an 18-week suspended sentence, an eight-week curfew on tag, over £200 in fines and a further disqualification from driving for three years.
- A male from Stanton has now been sentenced to 21 months in prison following a positive warrant conducted at Woodland Road, last year where a cannabis grow was found and electricity abstracted.
- Dog related incidents SNT officers have been inundated with incidents involving dogs. A number of incidents where dogs have either attacked other dogs or bitten a person have been dealt with by the team including a 31-year-old woman interviewed and sent to Court for possessing a dog whilst disqualified from doing so. The woman in question has since been fined, ordered to pay kennel fees and the dog seized.
- A dangerous dog was seized from a 52-year-old man in the Swadlincote area after the dog caused significant injuries, biting its owner to the face and causing him to end up in hospital.

Cupper with a Copper at Garden King – 10:30-11:30am on the following dates:

- Friday, October 6, 2023
- Friday, November 3, 2023
- Friday, December 1, 2023

<u>Q&A</u>

The police were thanked for their work to stop the use of e-scooters which has reduced in this area significantly.

An issue was raised regarding parking outside of Boomerangs Nursery, Birch Avenue, Newhall. People are parking outside of the nursery on the pavement around a blind bend which makes it difficult to pass safely. In addition, cars have also been seen speeding in this area.

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A member of the public raised an issue regarding obstructive parking on the corner of Willow Drive and Bretby Road, Newhall. The parked cars on the grass verge make it very difficult to see when pulling out and could cause an accident.

Elmsley Green has work vans parked along the road in places they shouldn't be which is posing an injury risk.

The police updated that they have been moving vehicles on when they are parked where they shouldn't be and will continue to keep an eye on the areas mentioned.

Claire Rawlins added that parking restrictions are for the County Council to enforce.



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A member of the public raised concerns about an incident concerning a property located in the Bramblewood cul-de-sac, Newhall where someone has punched a hole through the metal fence surrounding the house.

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A resident queried whether they should phone 101 or 999 after coming across a tree that had fallen in the middle of the road at night? The resident mentioned that when they had tried to call 101, it took a long time to get through even though a tree in the road was hazardous.

Inspector Sisman informed that it would be better for them to call 999 in that situation since a tree in the road at night could cause the loss of a life. Sgt Nizzer added that it depends on what other calls are being received by 999 as to whether the situation is deemed as a priority.

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We are currently consulting on introducing another PSPO at Eureka Park. The park has had persistent ASB over the last few years and the prohibitions will be exactly the same as the PSPO in Swadlincote Town Centre.

We are again supporting knife crime education sessions in the South Derbyshire Support Centre in Newhall. An organisation called Street Whyze visit the school and provide both 1-2-1 work and group sessions. The service is being extended to be delivered at Pingle, William Allitt and Granville Schools during the coming year.

Safe and Sound continue to visit Swadlincote and Newhall to do valuable outreach work. The charity which focuses primarily on Child Exploitation are making weekly visits to our urban parks to talk to young people. Valuable information is passed onto us and also to the Parks team about any issues or requests to improve the parks.

N/A 4. Local Community and Voluntary Sector Projects/ Update

Please see attached document.

N/A 5. Local Authority Update and Public Q&A

<u>Housing</u>

The first wave of the Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund is now approaching completion, providing improved insulation, doors, and windows to 89 properties across Swadlincote, Melbourne, Hartshorne and Netherseal.

The second wave will provide similar improvements to around 103 properties across Hilton, Church Broughton, Scropton, Smisby, Hartshorne, Netherseal and Lullington.

The tenants of the properties that may be included are being written to informing them of the scheme and will be consulted with before any works commence.

Legal and Democratic Services

The Annual Canvass for 2023 has started - this is the process where the Council contacts every household to check we've got the right information on the Electoral Register. The process also gives anyone who isn't registered to vote yet, the chance to do so.



The Council is committed to reducing its impact on the environment and therefore we will be using on-line methods of contact where possible. Online contact will also reduce costs by reducing postage, paper, and processing time.

You will receive an email or letter asking if your household's details on the Electoral Register are correct. All you need to do is follow the instructions, and you'll be ready to have your say in upcoming elections. You can reply online, by phone, text, or by returning the paper form.

If you can reply online, we encourage you to do this. If you have to respond and do not respond, we will try to contact you by telephone or make a property visit.

Cultural and Community services

The new South Derbyshire Community Grant Fund is now open for applications.

The scheme, administered by South Derbyshire District Council, is financed by part of South Derbyshire's allocation of UK Shared Prosperity Funding (UKSPF) and Rural England Prosperity Fund (REPF) monies.

The Fund has a total of \pounds 350,000 available over the next two years until March 2025. Capital grants of between \pounds 2,000 and \pounds 25,000 are available (up to 80% of total project costs) with a minimum project cost of \pounds 2,500. Match funding of 20% is required.

Applicants must demonstrate that their project meets one or more of the UK Shared Prosperity Fund outcomes and further information including a Guide to the Criteria, Application Process and Conditions of Funding is available on the Community Grants section of the Council's website, when you search "Community Grants".

It is an open rolling application process until the 31 December 2024 (to allow for completion of projects) or until all funding has been allocated.

Customer Services

South Derbyshire District Council is currently developing its Customer Access Strategy. The aim of the strategy is to shape how the Council will serve its customers, and to define the projects and initiatives it needs to deliver in order to achieve its ambitions.

We want local people to feel valued by their Council, trust us and have excellent customer experiences in their dealings with us, whatever channel they choose.

The Customer Access Strategy will set out how we will improve access to our services for our customers. We want to make dealing with the Council as quick and easy as possible, making the best use of technology whilst working in a cost-effective way.

The document can be accessed by contacting Customer Services at SDDC, or if you speak to us after the meeting, we can take your details and email you a copy of the document.



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<u>Q&A</u>

Concerns were raised around access to the Cadley Hill section of the new Cadley Park and that because the main access to the park is not yet open people are using the pedestrian access point instead which is causing conflict with cyclists and is also disrupting car traffic. There is also no wheelchair access at the park currently.

ACTION: Claire Rawlins to forward the issues raised regarding access to Cadley Park to the Parks and Greenspaces team.

A member of the public raised awareness that they recently received a scam call from someone pretending to work for the council.

ACTION: Tracy Bingham to look into the issue raised around scam calls to see whether there have been any other reports and to further raise awareness via social media channels explaining what the council will/ won't ask when contacting residents.

A question was raised regarding Annual Canvass, if there are no changes then should the letter be ignored?

Tracy Bingham informed that residents should respond to the electoral changes letter either through text or another way. If there is no response and you need to respond, then someone from the council will visit your house or give you a call.

A member of the public asked what was happening in terms of the incinerator.

Tracy Bingham updated that the Head of Planning is sending a report which will confirm the district council's comments about the incinerator. However, it is a County Council matter. Members of the public will be able to attend the committee meeting on Tuesday, October 17, 2023. Customer Services or Democratic Services can be contacted for more information.

A member of the public asked about any future cost of living grants as the £150 grant given to households in lower council tax bands appeared to be going to waste as people were spending it on fireworks. Councillor Mick Mulgrew added that he was disappointed by this mindset as there is no solid information about the claims being made so it is just accusations.

Tracy Bingham informed that there are no national schemes currently, however, there are a number of local schemes for families in need.

A noise complaint about a local compound was raised. The resident explained that the noise is incredibly loud as it is situated within 6 feet of their property and doesn't understand why it was put in a residential area. Any complaints made about the compound have gone ignored. This issue was also echoed by another resident who lived on the same street.



Tracy Bingham advised that she would pass on the concerns raised to Housing to help deal with the issue as contractors are expected to be considerate of local residents when working.

ACTION: Tracy Bingham to inform Housing of the noise complaint raised regarding the Novus Compound on Cecil Road.

A local resident raised that local ground maintenance in the area was not up to the expected standard, e.g., hedges are overgrown, there are weeds everywhere and the grass is being cut less frequently and rather than moving objects out of the way that inconvenience the job, such as bins, the lawn mower operatives just cut around the obstacle which then makes the area appear untidy.

A member of the public raised concerns about dogs being let loose in Newhall Park and recounted an incident whereby the resident saw a dog that had been let of its lead attack another dog.

ACTION: Claire Rawlins to flag the issue of dog walkers letting their dogs off the lead with the Council's Community Safety Enforcement Officers (CSEO's).

A Newhall resident asked about the possibility of a streetlight to be sited along the alleyway between the end of Park Street and Tudor House Close (Newhall) stating that the pavement is uneven and could result in injury.

ACTION: Peter Smith to take forward the request for additional street lighting to be sited along the alleyway between Park Street and Tudor House Close in Newhall to the County Council.

A dangerous island in Newhall needs amending as it may result in a collision if not fixed – details passed to Peter Smith to take back to the County Council as they deal with any road issues.

ACTION: Peter Smith to take back the issue raised regarding a dangerous island in Newhall to the County Council.

A resident raised that Midway Fishponds are currently unusable due to a lack of path and mud due to the weather so would like to know what can be done, specifically as to whether a footpath can be put in.

ACTION: Claire Rawlins to pass the issue raised around a lack of suitable footpath around Midway Fishponds to the Parks and Green Spaces team.

An issue with potholes was previously logged by the County Councillor but there has been no feedback, and the potholes are getting larger in some areas. People who live on the road with the potholes cannot enter their own garages so are having to use the local church car park.

ACTION: Councillor Peter Smith to chase DCC regarding the potholes in Newhall



A resident queried why a street sign previously located at the junction of Church Road, Newhall which was knocked down and removed last year has not been replaced.

ACTION: Councillor Peter Smith to take back the issue raised regarding a replacement street sign at the junction of Church Road, Newhall to DCC.

A local resident raised concerns that there is no safe link between Cadley Park and Coronation Street, explaining that pedestrians have to go through the driving range car park and then the road by the driving range before they get onto Coronation Street which is not suitable for people with prams, young children or wheelchair users

An issue was also raised regarding the security lighting at the driving range as it goes on at around 10pm and is so bright that it is illuminating the houses nearby. Residents are reportedly having to close their curtains at 10pm or buy black out blinds to be able to sleep.

Concerns were raised regarding pools of water gathering in different spots along the pump track at Cadley Park which could be dangerous if someone were to fall off their bike and hit their head and land in the water. It was suggested that the area is therefore unsuitable for use while there are pools of water present.

ACTION: Claire Rawlins to pass the issues raised around Cadley Park to the Parks and Green Spaces team.

Action	Person responsible
Contact Parks and Green Spaces regarding the lack of wheelchair access at Cadley Park	Claire Rawlins
Look into any further reports about scam callers pretending to be from the council and put-up social media posts about council call procedures	Tracy Bingham
Contact housing regarding the noise issue from the contractors at the compound on Cecil Road	Tracy Bingham
Flag up issues of dogs being let off of their leash on Newhall Park to enforcement officers	Claire Rawlins
Check if the County Council can put streetlights on Park Street due to safety issues	Peter Smith
Pass the issue with the unsafe traffic islands in Newhall to the County Council	Peter Smith
Contact Parks and Green Spaces about potentially implementing a footpath at Midway Pond	Claire Rawlins
Enquire to see if the fixing of potholes can be done quicker by the county council due the increase in their size	Peter Smith

N/A 6. Summary of Agreed Actions



Enquire if there can be a replacement sign put on the junction of Church Road	Peter Smith
Contact Parks and Green Spaces regarding the link between Cadley Park and Coronation Street, the driving range lighting, and the water spots on the pump track.	Claire Rawlins

N/A 7. Close and Date of Next Meeting

TBC.

Councillor Kalila Storey CHAIR The meeting terminated at 19:58pm

