

South Derbyshire Area Forum

Newhall

Tuesday 13th July 2010

Rowland Memorial Hall, James Street, Midway DE11 7NE

7pm



South
Derbyshire
District Council



FORTHCOMING MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL

Unless otherwise stated, all meetings will be held at the Council's Civic Offices and will start at 6.00 p.m.

Planning	Tuesday 6.7.10
COUNCIL	Thursday 8.7.10
Newhall Area Forum, Rowland Memorial Hall,	Tuesday, 13.7.10
James Street, Midway at 7.00 p.m.	·
Linton Area Forum, Rosliston & Cauldwell	Wednesday, 14.7.10
Village Hall, Main Street, Rosliston at 7.00 p.m.	
Swadlincote Area Forum, St. George's and St.	Thursday, 15.7.10
Mary's Parish Rooms, Church Street, Church	
Gresley at 7.00 p.m.	
Etwall Leisure Centre, Etwall Leisure Centre,	Monday 19.7.10
John Port School, Etwall at 5.00 p.m.	
Repton Area Forum, Repton Village Hall, Askew	Tuesday, 20.7.10
Grove, Repton DE65 6GR at 7.00 p.m.	
Melbourne Area Forum, Ticknall Village Hall,	Wednesday, 21.7.10
Ingleby Lane, Ticknall DE73 7JQ at 7.00 p.m.	
Etwall Area Forum, Findern Village Hall, Castle	Thursday 22.7.10
Hill, Findern DE65 6AL at 7.00 p.m.	
Planning	Tuesday 27.7.10
Planning	Tuesday 24.8.10
Environmental & Development Services	Thursday 26.8.10
Housing & Community Services	Thursday 2.9.10
Finance & Management	Thursday 9.9.10
Overview & Scrutiny	Wednesday 15.9.10
Planning	Tuesday 21.9.10
Standards	Tuesday 28.9.10
Audit Sub at 4.00 p.m.	Wednesday 29.9.10
COUNCIL	Thursday 30.9.10

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AREA FORUM NEWHALL

(Covering Midway, Newhall and Stanton)

Meeting to be held at; Rowland Memorial Methodist Church Community Hall James Street Midway

on Tuesday 13th July 2010 at 7.00 p.m.

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

Members:

District Councillors: Councillor Mrs. Farrington (Chairman) and Councillors Bambrick, Dunn,

Mrs. Mead, Richards and Wilkins.

County Councillors: Councillors Lacey and Murray.

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AGENDA

- 1. To note the appointment of the Chairman at the Annual Council Meeting.
- 2. Apologies for absence.
- 3. To appoint a Vice-Chairman of the Area Forum.
- 4. Declarations of Interest.
- 5. Police issues.
- 6. Chairman's Announcements.
- 7. To note the Minutes of the Meeting held on 25th March 2010 (copy attached).
- 8. Report back on issues raised at the last Meeting.
- 9. Public questions on issues raised by residents.
- 10. County Council issues.
- 11. District Council issues.
- 12. Date of Next Meeting.

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AREA FORUM

NEWHALL

25th March 2010

PRESENT:-

District Council Representatives

Councillor Mrs. Farrington (Chairman), Councillor Mrs. Mead (Vice-Chairman) and Councillors Richards and Wilkins.

F. McArdle (Chief Executive), D. Townsend (Democratic Services) and C. Lukaszewicz (Helpdesk).

Derbyshire County Council Representatives

Councillors Lacey and Murray.

P. Jameson (Forum Liaison Officer).

Members of the Public

-B. Farrington, E. Foy, P. Foy, C. Gillespie, G. Hall, R. House, C. Maddock, G. Myatt, J. Pallett, O. Pallett, K. Parker, M. Perry, M. Richards, E. Tagg and C.M. Wright.

NA/30. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence from the Meeting were received from Councillor Dunn, F. Ridout and R. Holden.

NA/31. **POLICE ISSUES**

It was reported that an officer of Derbyshire Constabulary was not available to attend this Meeting. However, if there were any police issues, they could be raised during public question time, and would be forwarded to the police representative.

County Councillor Lacey reported that he was a Member of the Police Authority, and he understood that the Police were not available as they were undertaking a major reorganisation. He added that there was a new senior officer coming to the area and Sergeant Andy King was the new Safer Neighbourhood Officer. County Councillor Lacey added that, as a Member of the Police Authority, he would also take any particular police queries back to Derbyshire Constabulary.

NA/32. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman provided further information on Liberation Day, which was due to take place at Bretby Conference Centre on 20th May 2010. The telephone

line for registration would remain open until 6th April 2010. This year, priority was being given to people who had not attended before, which should help residents in rural areas to get the much sought after places. It was noted that residents had to be aged sixty five or over to attend. To request a place, residents were advised to ring the registration line on 01283 595795. Full details were available via the District Council's website.

NA/33. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Newhall Area Forum Meeting held on 8th February 2010 were noted subject to the following amendments.

Minute No. NA/26, paragraph 4. It was pointed out that this should read "a resident pointed out that *she* found it difficult...".

In addition, Councillor Richards reported that following the last Meeting, the anti-social behaviour on Plummer Road had been dealt with, due to some excellent partnership working.

NA/34. REPORT BACK ON ISSUES RAISED AT THE LAST MEETING

The Chairman reviewed those items raised at the last Meeting and reported the progress made in each case.

With regard to parking in Newhall, it was reported that somebody had visited local properties canvassing for a prohibition of parking on Sunnyside. It was pointed out that if this was done, it would be very difficult for residents' friends and family to visit, as there was no other parking available. The Forum Liaison Officer advised that Derbyshire County Council had completed public consultation in this area, but he was unaware of who had been canvassing for this action. A resident added that he lived on Bretby Road, and the cars that were currently parked on this road actually assisted in slowing the traffic down. The Forum Liaison Officer agreed to submit these comments back to Highways Officers.

It was reported that outside the Chemist in High Street, Newhall, one of the main issues was that delivery vans to the Chemist were parking on the pavement. It was suggested that Derbyshire County Council write to the owner of the Chemist requesting that delivery vans park in a more suitable place

The Forum Liaison Officer agreed to follow up this action.

The Forum Liaison Officer gave an additional update on the footpath at the Old Market Place development. The Derbyshire County Council Maintenance Manager believed that works to the access had been done without approval and was therefore in breach of planning conditions. Further meetings were planned, to attempt to reach a compromise between the County Council, District Council and the developer.

It was agreed that the Forum Liaison Officer report back to the Area Forum when further information was available.

With regard to the footpath between Yewtree Road and Badger Bank, it was confirmed that Footpath 1 led from Yewtree Road to Beech Grove not Beech Avenue as reported. The Forum Liaison Officer reported that the Footpaths Officer had requested the owners of properties adjacent to the footpath cut back the overgrown trees. It could then be cleaned up and undergrowth cut back.

In regard to the funding of the Climate Action Conference, the Forum Liaison Officer reported that this was part funded by Derbyshire County Council, the remainder being funded by March's Energy Agency.

NA/35. PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON ISSUES RAISED BY RESIDENTS

A resident reported that young people were congregating at the Plummer Road junction with Robinson Road, and there were a large number of empty drink cans littering the street. The Chairman suggested that residents contact the Safer South Derbyshire Partnership, who might be able to provide some assistance with this matter. She also suggested that they attend the next Safer Neighbourhood Meeting.

It was reported that the new mini traffic island at the junction of Newhall Road and Midway Road had caused several serious accidents since it had been installed. It was considered to be more dangerous than the junction it replaced.

The Forum Liaison Officer agreed to look into this and report back to the next Meeting.

It was reported that due to parking on the Orchard Street junction with Parliament Street, this area was very difficult to navigate.

The Forum Liaison Officer agreed to look into this issue and report back to the next Meeting.

The Chief Executive also reported that a letter had been written to the Chief Executive of Derbyshire County Council, expressing concern with regard to the adequacy of some responses to certain issues raised at Area Forums. He added that he would endeavour to request that an officer from the Highways Department be available for the next Meeting. It was also requested that if an Officer did attend, a map of the area be provided, to assist residents and Officers in identifying problem areas.

It was pointed out that the metal barrier on Park Road, near to the Nadin's site had been broken.

It was agreed to write to UK Coal to request that this be reinstated.

An update was requested on the current plans for land at Plummer Road, where a building was being demolished. It was understood that this land belonged to Derbyshire County Council, and it was suggested that a possible re-use of this land could be for allotments.

The Forum Liaison Officer agreed to look into this suggestion and report back to the next Meeting.

It was understood that a children's play area was planned for an area of land off the A444, and a resident asked if there was any progress.

It was requested that an update on this matter be provided at the next Area Forum.

The sign at Ryder Close Industrial Estate had been knocked down and it was asked if it could be reinstated. It was understood that this was a private sign. The Forum Liaison Officer agreed to look into this to establish ownership of the sign.

The Chairman reported that she was in receipt of a letter about the increasing numbers of commercial vehicles using Ashleigh and Oakleigh Avenues in Newhall. She advised that the County Council would respond directly to the resident concerned.

NA/36. COUNTY COUNCIL ISSUES - BIG CHOICES WASTE CONSULTATION

The Forum Liaison Officer publicised a joint consultation by Derbyshire County Council and Derby City Council on plans for waste management over the next twenty years. This consultation ended on 9th April 2010 and residents' views were sought to shape the formation of a draft plan, on which further consultation would take place. A copy of the report was available via the County Council's website or by phoning Call Derbyshire.

A resident commented that it was becoming very confusing as to what could be put in the black refuse bin. A sticker had recently been put on bins that highlighted all the items that couldn't be put in. This included plastic, and residents were unsure where this should be taken. It was felt that it should be made clear exactly what could go in the refuse bin.

The Chief Executive agreed to request that an update be provided at the next Meeting on what items could go in the black refuse bin.

NA/37. DISTRICT COUNCIL ISSUES

The Chief Executive gave an update on the golf course development. He also offered to arrange a meeting on site for local residents with the developer, to look at further detailed plans and see the progress being made. A resident also requested that in addition to attendees of the Area Forum, the invites be sent to residents of Appleby Glade.

It was agreed that this Meeting be set up before a future Area Forum.

It was reported that residents were experiencing nuisance from dust, which was being emitted from the golf course and Lafarge. This had also been raised at the Swadlincote Area Forum, and the Environmental Protection Manager had agreed to look into this.

It was requested that the seat on the football field off Oversetts Road be repaired, and asked if the gate to this area could be changed to allow disabled access

It was agreed that the District Council consider these issues.

It was reported that travellers had moved on to the former Osbourne's Site on Swadlincote Road. There was a lot of broken glass in the area, which was also going on to the road.

It was agreed that the Clean Team be requested to visit this area to deal with the broken glass.

NA/38. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Details of the dates and venues for future Area Forum Meetings would be circulated in due course.

MRS. G. FARRINGTON

CHAIRMAN

The Meeting terminated at 8.00 p.m.

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REPORT BACK ON ISSUE RAISED AT THE LAST MEETING

At the last meeting held on 25^h March 2010 at The Newhall Centre, the following issues were raised. These issues are listed below, together with progress made:-

1. PARKING IN NEWHALL (SUNNYSIDE/BRETBY RD)

Residents' concerns have been passed to the relevant Officer at Derbyshire County Council.

A public notice, associated with the proposed waiting restrictions, is to be advertised shortly.

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2. PARKING IN NEWHALL (OUTSIDE PHARMACY ON HIGH STREET)

It was understood that the delivery vehicle was parking directly outside the doors to the Pharmacy. The location has been checked and the doors lead directly out onto the crossing itself. Therefore, the driver is parking either on the crossing or associated zig-zag markings. This is an offence that can be enforced by the Civil Parking Enforcement (CPE) Officers and also by the Police. Further enquiries have established that, the fact that deliveries are being made, (even if they're of a sensitive nature) does not provide dispensation.

As this offence is clearly stated in the Highway Code, the CPE Officers already have High Street on their 'hotspot' list, but the matter has also been passed to the Police for appropriate action.

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3. MIDWAY ROAD/NEWHALL ROAD: NEW ROUNDABOUT

Detailed observations have now been carried out at the new mini-roundabout.

It has been concluded that there does appear to be a problem with drivers either disregarding the central dome and driving over it, or deliberately driving around it on the wrong side. This only happens when a driver, on approaching the junction, can see that the other approach arms are clear. If other cars are present then the requirement to give-way causes the driver to respect the markings.

It is suspected that this situation occurs due to two factors. The central dome itself is too far offset into the minor road (Newhall Road) and the dome itself is too big. This issue will need to be resolved by the C&C (design) team and, therefore, they have been asked to return to site with contractors to revise the design.

The works to resolve this issue are relatively minor and should not result in a high level of abortive works. This will also hopefully provide an opportunity to address the poor carriageway condition within the junction itself.

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4. ORCHARD STREET/PARLIAMENT STREET, NEWHALL, PARKING AT JUNCTION

This location has been checked on a number of occasions but no vehicles have been observed parking close to the junction. There are no plans to introduce junction protection markings here.

However, vehicles should not be parked within 10m of a junction. Any abuse of these conditions should be referred to the Police for appropriate action.

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5. LAND AT PLUMMER ROAD

Derbyshire County Council's Estates Manager has advised that a view on the future of the site has now been formulated.

A report from Adult Care and Corporate Property is shortly due to go to the relevant Cabinet Member. This will recommend that the site be transferred to a housing association, which will develop some social housing and a bungalow which will be used by Adult Care as a home for people with learning disabilities. No part of the site will remain unused if this option

is approved.

It should be stressed that this is a proposal and no decision has yet been made.

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6. CHILDRENS PLAY AREA

There are currently no plans for a play area at this location.

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7. SIGN AT RYDER CLOSE INDUSTRIAL ESTATE

This matter was logged with Derbyshire County Council's Estates Manager and has been referred on to the relevant officers for appropriate action.

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8. REFUSE COLLECTION

Stickers placed on the black bin list the items that can be placed in the green boxes and blue bags on the fortnightly kerbside recycling collections. The items listed do not include plastics.

Plastics can be recycled at numerous recycling centres spread across the district but, as far as the kerbside collection services are concerned, they have to be put in the black bin just like any other item not listed on the sticker.

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9. FOOTBALL FIELD OFF OVERSETTS ROAD

The District Council are currently considering access options for this area.

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