



Derbyshire Constabulary



**South
Derbyshire**
District Council



**Safer Neighbourhood
Area 4 - Central
(6.15pm - 7.15pm)**

**Interval with light
refreshments 7.15pm - 7.30pm**

and

**Swadlincote Area Forum
(7.30pm - 8.30pm)**

**Thursday
July 7th, 2016**

***St George & St Mary's
Church Rooms,
Church Street,
Church Gresley.
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Committee Dates – 2016/17

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>
JULY 2016		
Etwell JMC	Mon	11.07.16
Employee Health & Safety	Wed	13.07.16
Planning	Tue	19.07.16
Finance & Management (Special)	Thu	21.07.16
AUGUST 2016		
Planning	Tue	09.08.16
Environmental & Development Services	Thu	18.08.16
Housing & Community Services	Thu	25.08.16
SEPTEMBER 2016		
Finance & Management	Thu	01.09.16
Planning	Tue	06.09.16
Overview & Scrutiny	Wed	07.09.16
Audit Sub	Wed	21.09.16
Finance & Management (Spec – Final Accounts (5pm))	Thu	22.09.16
COUNCIL	Thu	22.09.16
Etwell JMC	Mon	26.09.16
Planning	Tue	27.09.16
Environmental & Development Services	Thu	29.09.16
OCTOBER 2016		
Housing & Community Services	Thu	06.10.16
Finance & Management	Thu	13.10.16
Planning	Tue	18.10.16
Overview & Scrutiny	Wed	19.10.16
Employee Health & safety Committee	Wed	26.10.16
NOVEMBER 2016		
COUNCIL	Thu	03.11.16
Planning	Tue	08.11.16
Environmental & Development Services	Thu	17.11.16
Housing & Community Services	Thu	24.11.16
Planning	Tue	29.11.16
DECEMBER 2016		
Finance & Management	Thu	01.12.16
Overview & Scrutiny	Wed	07.12.16
Audit Sub	Wed	14.12.16
Planning	Tue	20.12.16
JANUARY 2017		
Environmental & Dev (Special-Budget)	Thu	05.01.17
Etwell JMC	Mon	09.01.17
Housing & Com Services (Special-Budget)	Tue	10.01.17
Finance & Management (Special-Budget)	Thu	12.01.17
Planning	Tue	17.01.17
Overview & Scrutiny	Wed	18.01.17
COUNCIL	Thu	19.01.17
Employee H & S Committee	Wed	25.01.17
Environmental & Development Services	Thu	26.01.17
FEBRUARY 2017		
Housing & Community Services	Thu	02.02.17

Committee Dates – 2016/17

Planning	Tue	07.02.17
Overview & Scrutiny	Wed	08.02.17
Audit Sub	Wed	15.02.17
Finance & Management	Thu	16.02.17
Planning	Tue	28.02.17
<u>MARCH 2017</u>		
COUNCIL	Wed	01.03.17
Environmental & Development Services	Thu	02.03.17
Housing & Community Services	Thu	09.03.17
Finance & Management	Thu	16.03.17
Planning	Tue	21.03.17
Overview & Scrutiny	Wed	22.03.17
Audit Sub	Wed	29.03.17
<u>APRIL 2017</u>		
COUNCIL	Thu	06.04.17
Etwall JMC	Mon	10.04.17
Planning	Tue	11.04.17
Housing & Community Services	Thu	20.04.17
Employee Health & Safety Committee	Wed	26.04.17
Environmental & Development Services	Wed	26.04.17
Finance & Management	Thu	27.04.17
<u>MAY 2017</u>		
Planning	Tue	09.05.17
ANNUAL COUNCIL	Thu	18.05.17
CIVIC COUNCIL	Thu	25.05.17



AGENDA

SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUP - AREA 4

Thursday, July 7th, 2016, at 6.15pm
at St George and St Mary's Church Rooms, Church Gresley

(Light refreshments will be served between 7.15pm and 7.30pm)

1. Chair's introduction. Apologies.
2. Minutes of last meeting (to be agreed) and update on actions.
3. Safer Neighbourhoods Sergeant's Overview / Priorities Update.
4. Partnership Update / Funding / New project ideas.
- Safer Homes Plus.
5. Local issues – open forum (20 minutes).
6. Agreed priorities.
7. Date of next meeting.

Meeting close (7.15pm)

AREA 4 – SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUP

Present	Date of Meeting	Venue
<p>Councillor Neil Tilley (Chair), Chris Smith (SSDP), Insp Kate Bateman, Sgt Graham Summers, PC Bill Crerar, PC Sean Kelly, PCSO Lee Walker, PCSO Dean Badham-Spalding (Derbyshire Police).</p> <p>Ron Causer, Alan Clarke, Councillor Kim Coe (SDDC), Councillor Robert Coe (SDDC), Dennis Bateman (SDDC Senior Neighbourhood Warden), Colin Dobson, Councillor Paul Dunn (SDDC/DCC), Kerrie Fletcher, Malc Gee, Roy Hyde, Alan Jones, Harbans Kaur, Eric Lummis, Mick Lunn, Mick Mulgrew, Councillor Pat Murray (SDDC), Councillor Gordon Rhind (SDDC), David Sharpe, Councillor Trevor Southerd (SDDC/DCC), Ben Stuart, Councillor Stuart Swann (SDDC), Nigel Thorneloe, Councillor Bob Wheeler (SDDC).</p> <p>Also present: Tom Sloan (Clerk), Rob Helliwell (Burton Mail).</p>	Tuesday, February 2 2016	Sharpe's Pottery

1	Chair's Introduction. Apologies	Action												
	Chris Smith got the meeting under way before the election of a new chair. Apologies were received from Jenny Burley, Councillor Linda Chilton (DCC), Ken Dicken, Councillor Gill Farrington (SDDC), Ron Lane, Heather Wheeler MP and Councillor Sandra Wyatt (SDDC).													
2	Election of a new chair													
	<p>Votes were counted in the election of a new chair and the result was:</p> <p>Councillor Neil Tilley – 15 votes. Councillor Sandra Wyatt – 10 votes.</p> <p>Councillor Tilley thanked the meeting for the opportunity to be chair and said gaining the position was a privilege.</p>													
3	Minutes of the last meeting (to be agreed) and update on actions.													
	The minutes of the meeting held on November 12 were agreed as a true record.													
4	Safer Neighbourhoods Sergeant's Overview / Priorities Update													
	<p>Crime Statistics for Area 4 Latest year to date – April 1, 2015 to January 31, 2016</p> <table> <tr> <th>Violent Crime</th><th>This Year</th><th>Last Year</th></tr> <tr> <td>Assault</td><td>274</td><td>178</td></tr> <tr> <td>Robbery</td><td>6</td><td>6</td></tr> <tr> <td>Sexual offences</td><td>42</td><td>22</td></tr> </table> <p>Theft related</p>	Violent Crime	This Year	Last Year	Assault	274	178	Robbery	6	6	Sexual offences	42	22	
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Dwelling burglary	30	22
Non dwell burglary	37	46
Theft of motor vehicle	14	18
Theft from motor vehicle	49	69
All theft (incl. other)	347	410
Damage (incl. arson)	153	169
Drugs offences	28	39
All crime (incl. misc.)	897	856
ASB	1013	973

Insp Kate Bateman introduced herself to the meeting, her first in Area 4 since returning to Swadlincote Police Station as Inspector several years on from a spell as a sergeant in the town.

The issue of Neighbourhood Policing borders was raised and a resident told the meeting that confusion surrounded an area of Midway which used to be in Area 4 and is now in Area 5. The resident stated that if people were unsure which Safer neighbourhood area they lived in they should visit WWW.police.uk and enter their post code. Not only does this clarify which area they live in it also provides crime statistics for that area.

A resident said that inconsiderate parking should not be the only priority and cars parking against the flow of traffic in the hours of darkness should be considered.

Sgt Graham Summers said that while the latest figures for assault appeared to be alarming, it was the same across the force and the reason for the growth in numbers was in part related to an increase in reporting of familial assaults. There was not an increased risk to the public. A similar trend with sexual offences could be observed, he said, with teenagers “sexting” each other with revealing pictures and ending up as crime statistics. Sgt Summers said it was not a case of strangers walking around attacking women”. The good news in the figures was a drop in acquisitive crime, said Sgt Summers.

PC Stuart Kelly reported that 205 cannabis plants were found in a rented property in Moira Road, Woodville. No one had been arrested, with forensic evidence being collated. Another cannabis grow was found in Swadlincote Road, with hydroponics being used to cultivate 50 plants. Two men had been arrested and gave no comment interviews. A final growing operation in Hearthcote Road saw four plants recovered and two people dealt with for the offence. All the offences were detected through public information, PC Kelly added.

PCSO Lee Walker stated that ASB makes up a large number of calls to police in Area 4. A group of 15 youths aged 12 to 16 were causing a high proportion of the problems, including loitering, noise issues and intimidating members of the public. There had even been cases of criminal damage linked to the group. Morrison’s, Swadlincote Library, the dance studio and McDonald’s had all suffered problems with the group, with most problems starting at 3pm and going on until 7 or 8pm. Police had ensured a visible presence in problem areas at these times. Several of the group had been given Acceptable Behaviour Contracts where the individuals are invited to the police station with their parents. Files were also pending for harassment orders regarding the library and dance studio. Sgt Summers said it was important to realise there was a strategy in place to deal with the youngsters, who could not immediately be sent to court. Quite a few of the individuals involved simply did not care, he said. However, the police had to follow a process before the youngsters ended up in court. Once a court order was in place, any breach would see the person involved under arrest. Police were focusing on

	<p>the ringleaders and once they were under an order and got arrested it became uncomfortable for the rest of the group.</p> <p>PCSO Dean Badham-Spalding reported that there was a hardcore of lads passing their CBT in the Woodville area and then riding motorbikes along pavements in a dangerous and anti-social fashion. Calls about the problem had fallen in recent weeks. However, parking issues around the schools in the area continued. A police presence reduced the problem but officers could not be there at all problem times. A resident recorded his thanks to PCSO Badham-Spalding for his efforts in the Woodville area.</p>	
5	Local Issues – open forum (20 minutes)	
	<p>A member of the public asked if police could pay a visit to the Forester's Arms in Swadlincote after a drinker was seen urinating against its front wall while two young girls, presumably his daughters, waited for him. Sgt Summers asked if the incident was a regular occurrence. PC Kelly asked the resident to see him after the meeting.</p> <p>Councillor Stuart Swann raised an incident where four police cars were seen in Brunel Way for 45 minutes. Sgt Summers said it would have been an incident involving reactive officers.</p> <p>A resident of Belmont Street reported a break-in to a shed, with someone seen at the back of houses in the area. He asked if PCSO patrols could be extended into the evening to discourage further incidents. PCSO Badham-Spalding said he had been patrolling the area between 10pm and midnight.</p> <p>Councillor Steve Taylor reported a scrap metal vehicle still operating suspiciously in South Derbyshire. Sgt Summers said there were several scrap metal collectors who come into the district from other areas. If such a vehicle was detected, an officer would be dispatched to deal with it by way of document and licensing offences. Dennis Bateman, SDDC's Senior Neighbourhood Warden, said the police intelligence officer was aware of the vehicle in question. He said the big problem was with fridges, which would be fly-tipped once the valuable gas cylinder was removed.</p> <p>A member of the public raised the issue of drivers picking up fines at Poundstretcher in Swadlincote town centre from a company called Parking Eye. Sgt Summers said companies allow Parking Eye to police their car parking spaces and it is a legitimate organisation. Councillor Tilley said the fines are an irritation but that the land is private so there was not a lot that could be done. Councillor Taylor added that if someone felt they had been unfairly treated there was a complaints procedure on the company's website.</p>	
6	Partnership Update / Funding / New Project Ideas	
	<p>Mr Smith told the meeting of two applications for Safer Neighbourhoods funding. One for £2,500 had come from the People's Express arts group for a project involving the fire service. The other had come from Next Step, which had asked for £2,500 towards its Freedom Programme for victims of domestic violence.</p> <p>Councillor Taylor reported that Woodville Parish Council was looking at quotes for a CCTV system at Woodville Rec to help alleviate problems including dog fouling and ASB. A resident added that drug paraphernalia was being found around the changing rooms at the playing fields. Mr Smith said that £4,000 for each of the six Safer Neighbourhood areas had been secured for next year and applications were welcome.</p> <p>A resident said there had formerly been two "no cycling" signs up in Swadlincote town centre. He asked if they could be replaced. Councillor Tilley said the signage needed to be checked with Derbyshire County Council. Another member of the public asked why cycling had been prohibited on a street where driving a car was possible at certain times</p>	

	<p>of the day.</p> <p>Mr Smith reported that the partnership was working with the three urban schools to hold a parents evening around issues that have come up in the last two years, including child sexual exploitation, legal highs and online safety.</p>	
7	Agreed Priorities	
	No priorities were agreed.	
8	Date of next meeting	
	To be announced.	

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Derbyshire Police -	www.derbyshire.police.uk
Police Area 4 on Twitter	@GresleySNT / @SwadTownSNT / @WoodvilleSNT
Crime Statistics for your area	www.police.uk
Safer South Derbyshire Partnership	www.south-derbys.gov.uk/ssdp
SSDP Facebook Page -	www.facebook.com - search - Safer South Derbyshire Partnership
SDDC Environmental Health Facebook	www.facebook.com/southderbys

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AREA FORUM SWADLINCOTE

(Covering Church Gresley, Hartshorne village, Goseley, Swadlincote, Woodville)

**Meeting to be held at:
St George & St Mary's Church Rooms
Church Street
Church Gresley
DE11 9NR
on Thursday, July 7, 2016
at 7.30pm**

Members:

District Councillors: Councillors Gordon Rhind (Chairman), Mrs Kim Coe, Robert Coe, Mrs Gill Farrington, Trevor Southerd, Stuart Swann, Steve Taylor, Neil Tilley and Mrs Sandra Wyatt.

County Councillors: Mrs Linda Chilton, Paul Dunn and Trevor Southerd..

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AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence.
2. Declarations of interest.
3. Chairman's announcements.
4. To note the minutes of the meeting held on February 2, 2016 (copy attached).
5. Report back on issues raised at the last meeting.
6. Public questions on issues raised by residents.
7. County Council issues.
8. District Council issues.
9. Date of next meeting. TBA.

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AREA FORUM

SWADLINCOTE

Tuesday, February 2, 2016 at Sharpe's Pottery

PRESENT:-

District Council Representatives

Councillor Gordon Rhind (Chair), Councillor Kim Coe, Councillor Robert Coe, Councillor Trevor Southerd, Councillor Stuart Swann, Councillor Steve Taylor, Councillor Neil Tilley.

Kevin Stackhouse – Director of Finance and Corporate Services.
Tom Sloan – Clerk.

Derbyshire County Council Representatives

Councillor Paul Dunn, Councillor Trevor Southerd.

Paul Jameson (Area Forum Liaison Officer).

Parish Council / Meeting Representatives

Malc Gee (Woodville Parish Council), Alan Jones (Hartshorne Parish Council), Don Redfern (Woodville Parish Council).

Members of the Public

Malcolm Barsby, Ron Causer, Alan Clarke, Colin Dobson, Kerrie Fletcher (South Derbyshire CVS), Robert Helliwell (Burton Mail), Mick Lunn (Swadlincote Neighbourhood Watch), Councillor Pat Murray.

SA/21 **APOLOGIES**

Jenny Burley, Councillor Mrs Linda Chilton, Ken Dicken, Councillor Mrs Gill Farrington, Ron Lane, Heather Wheeler MP, Councillor Mrs Sandra Wyatt.

SA/22 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

SA/23 **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no announcements.

SA/24 **THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 12, 2015**

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed as a true record.

SA/25 **REPORT BACK ON ISSUES RAISED AT THE LAST MEETING**

Derbyshire County Council Issues

Castleton Park adoption issues

Paul Jameson (AFLO) reported that a site visit had been conducted in Brunel Way. Councillor Trevor Southerd and the area Clerk of Works attended. The meeting was in mid-morning so it was difficult to gauge what the exact situation was regarding traffic and parking in the evening. An agreement was made to further investigate the situation. Councillor Southerd said that when the estate was designed it was envisaged that Brunel Way would be a clearway and there wasn't a problem until new builders got involved. He was confident that issues around parking would be addressed.

South Derbyshire District Council Issues

Map showing boundaries of Area Forums

Councillor Gordon Rhind reported that a map illustrating the boundaries of the various Area Forums had been requested for the past two years. A member of the public told the meeting he had unsuccessfully requested a copy of the map from SDDC on several occasions. Instead, he found the map himself on a police website. The map could be found at:

<https://www.police.uk/derbyshire/DS04/> for Area 4.

<https://www.police.uk/derbyshire/DS05/> for Area 5.

Councillor Rhind said the information would be useful and would reach a wider audience.

Pennine Way car park lighting

Councillor Rhind passed on a report back which said that numerous sites around the district were being considered for improved lighting and Pennine Way was just one of those.

Recycling plant at Woodville

A member of the public asked if he could have access to noise monitoring data which were gathered from the recycling plant.

ACTION: Kevin Stackhouse to pass on the resident's request to the relevant department at SDDC for a report back to be prepared

SA/26 PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON ISSUES RAISED BY RESIDENTS

Councillor Steve Taylor reported a problem in Moira Road, Woodville, with SDDC contractors who emptied recycling bins. He said collections on a Wednesday morning were posing a danger to children due to the narrow width of the road after a row of parked cars was taken into consideration. He asked if the contractors in question could be contacted to see if an alternative collection time could be arranged.

ACTION: Kevin Stackhouse to pass enquiry onto SDDC Waste Department

A resident reported that he had been at a meeting in Moira Road regarding Tunnel Close. He said the pavement in the area was very uneven. A few holes had been patched up, while from the Toll Gate island to New Road the middle of the carriageway was essentially all patches. To his knowledge, the road had not been properly resurfaced in 35 years. Councillor Taylor agreed that the road was in a poor state and was probably worse than when Coal Board lorries used it on a regular basis up until the 1980s. Tunnel Close, he said, was a relatively new development and the developer had done nothing to the pavement. The situation had been checked with SDDC's enforcement officer and nothing could be done as the dropped kerb was already there prior to the development in Tunnel Close. Councillor Taylor said the issue needed taking up by DCC. Councillor Paul Dunn said the same problems with adoption of roads applies to adoption of pavements. He agreed that the state of Moira Road was not great but reported that it was in DCC's capital programme. However, the capital programme was £5m oversubscribed and the works could have to be moved onto next year's programme.

ACTION: Councillor Paul Dunn to advise DCC of the issues in Moira Road

A resident asked if the pedestrian barriers outside St George's Primary School, in Church Gresley, could be extended along the road to meet the pelican crossing. He said it would mean the children could queue safely along the road to get into the school. The AFLO said such works could require a contribution from the school. He added that a planning application was being considered to open up a rear access at the school.

A member of the public asked when 'no cycling' signs were taken down in Swadlincote High Street. He said two of them had been removed. Councillor Southerd agreed that the signs needed replacing.

ACTION: AFLO to report back on replacement signs at the next meeting

A resident brought up the issue of flooding in Occupation Lane, Woodville. Councillor Dunn said that gullies had been cleared and he would get back in touch with DCC engineer Nev Wallace. The resident replied that he owned the

land that one of the troublesome pipes was on and he had not been visited by anyone from DCC. Another resident added that Occupation Lane flooded over Christmas at the turn-off for Arlington Drive. He said that two gullies on the Leicestershire side were also blocked.

A member of the public asked about 30mph stickers for bins in Area 4. The AFLO said the stickers had no legal standing. A 30mph speed limit in a residential area with street lights required no repeater signs. Furthermore, putting up 30mph signs made the limit technically void. Councillor Dunn confirmed that 20mph limits can have repeaters but 30mph limits cannot.

A resident reported that street sweepers on the Goseley Estate had been sweeping half of the pavement and not the whole of it. He asked if it should be going around twice.

A member of the public from Wilmot Road asked if it still had a weight limit after witnessing trucks using it. Councillor Southerd confirmed the road had a 7.5 tonne weight limit.

A resident asked if dog fouling laws applied to footpaths heading into rural areas. The AFLO speculated that if the path is a right of way there was still a legal duty to pick up dog mess.

A Woodville resident reported that scrap metal seemed to be getting piled higher at Ward Recycling. He asked how tall it could get. Councillor Southerd said there was a limit to the height scrap could get. Councillor Taylor said part of the site was not regulated but it was about time the stack heights were looked at in the regulated areas. Councillor Southerd stated that it was a planning issue.

SA/27 **COUNTY COUNCIL ISSUES**

None.

SA/28 **DISTRICT COUNCIL ISSUES**

Local Plan

Kevin Stackhouse reported that Part 1 of the South Derbyshire District Council Local Plan was nearing completion, with only the Government Planning Inspector's decision awaited. Part 2 of the plan was being consulted upon.

Open Space, Sporting and Community Facilities Strategy

Mr Stackhouse told the meeting the strategy related to which facilities would be needed in the district in the coming years. The strategy needed local clubs and community facilities to come forward to ensure they received their share of Section 106 money from developers.

Budget

Mr Stackhouse reported that once again the landscape was changing for local authorities across the country. In 2010 the council had to go through savings in its budget, but achieved these without impacting on frontline services. In the last two years the authority's financial position had stabilised and was currently in a healthy state. However, another round of reductions had been passed down from central government to all authorities. Before Christmas, SDDC got its settlement from Central Government and in three years' time there would be a 14-15% cut in the grant, a figure in the region of £1.5m. One bright spot was that local authorities would be allowed to keep a greater proportion of the Business Rates they gathered. Currently, 50% went to central government and in South Derbyshire £10m a year was gathered in Business Rates. A greater share of that money staying in the district would help to offset the loss in grant. The situation would be a challenge for SDDC but one that the authority would meet head on. Regarding Council Tax, for the past five years it had been frozen by SDDC. Now, central government was expecting councils to raise it. County councils are allowed to raise their share by 4% and districts or boroughs by up to 2%. SDDC had, subject to full approval, decided to raise Council Tax by 1.95%.

Councillor Southerd said even with a 4% rise, there would be a black hole in DCC's finances. It would raise £5m but £7-8m was needed.

A resident asked how the Council Tax rises would affect parish councils. Mr Stackhouse answered that parish councils were not directly affected by the changes and could do as they pleased regarding their precept.

A member of the public – a governor at Granville School – said that Section 106 monies from the Broomy Farm development were not going to the school despite the need for facilities. Instead, they had gone to a different project and the school was bewildered as to why.

ACTION: Kevin Stackhouse to provide a report back into why the project was allegedly overlooked for Section 106 money

Councillor Dunn expanded on why DCC needed to raise Council Tax, with adult care needed to be paid for after a £13m reduction in Government funding. Councillor Taylor said it was a shame that Heather Wheeler MP was not at the meeting to explain the Government's decision. He also said it was bizarre that SDDC gave a Council Tax rebate to the public in 2015, incurring a £40,000 administration cost in doing so, when there was the possibility of a Council Tax increase in the future.

SA/29 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting was to be announced.

Councillor Gordon Rhind
Chair

The meeting terminated at 8.30pm.

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

SWADLINCOTE AREA FORUM

(Covering: Church Gresley, Goseley, Hartshorne, Swadlincote, Woodville)

Thursday, July 7, 2016

REPORT BACK ON ISSUES RAISED AT THE LAST MEETING

At the last Swadlincote Area Forum held on February 2, 2016, at Sharpe's Pottery, the following issues were raised and a progress report is provided.

Derbyshire County Council Issues:

A member of the public asked when 'no cycling' signs were taken down in Swadlincote High Street. He said two of them had been removed. Councillor Southerd agreed that the signs needed replacing.

AFLO to report back verbally on replacement signs

Paul Jameson

Area Forum Liaison Officer
Derbyshire County Council

South Derbyshire District Council Issues:

1. Noise monitoring at Woodville Road scrap yard

A member of the public asked if he could have access to noise monitoring data which were gathered from the recycling plant.

This is a site which is regulated by the Environment Agency and not SDDC. Because we don't regulate it, we have never carried out any noise monitoring programmes in the local community to determine what the noise levels are.

However, at the request of the Environment Agency, we did visit the site in 2012 to provide some noise measurements of individual plant operations within the recycling yard itself. The purpose of this monitoring was to provide the Environment Agency with some technical advice and support to help them understand what noise was being generated. In summary our measured results were as follows:

Ref	Source	Description
1	Engine noise from delivery HGVs	The entry and exit point to the site on Moira Road is tight and very close to receptor locations. Engine noise and

		<p>other associated vehicle noise (brakes, chain rattle and body slap) from delivery vehicles consisting predominantly of skip lorries and HGVs is significant.</p> <p>Based on observations, the noise impact at receptors from HGV arrivals and departures is equivalent to maximum noise levels from any of the other noise sources within the processing areas of the site. HGV arrivals are in the region of every 1-2 minutes.</p>
2	On site mobile plant engine noise (inc JCB, tulip grabs, fork lift trucks)	<p>Generally only audible off site when other more predominant sources are not occurring. Noise occurs from across the site on all vehicle routes.</p> <p>Engine noise measured as 71-75dBA @ 10m.</p>
3	Mobile plant reversing alarms	<p>Traditional style 'bleeper' alarms which are only occasionally activated but are clearly audible at receptor locations. Again noise occurs from across the site on all vehicle routes, although predominantly at the metal delivery drop point.</p> <p>Noise levels measured as 73-80dBa @ 10m.</p>
4	Metal delivery impact noise	<p>High impact noise of metal on hard surfacing as it is dropped from delivery vehicles creating high volume, short term noise emissions. The event occurrence is relatively frequent (every 2-5 minutes). Also associated with this is an occasional deep rumble as rigid tipper containers are shaken to remove residuals.</p>
5	Metal transportation to shear	<p>Noise of metal on metal as tulip grabs pick up scrap and drop it from height onto existing metal stockpiles or directly into the shear. This noise comes from any of the central parts of the site within reach of the tulip grabs.</p> <p>Noise levels measured as 68dBA @ 40m</p>
6	Other inert waste delivery	Noise from mixed waste being deposited from skips and

			<p>tippers into the mixed waste bay. Noise levels from here are highly variable depending on the nature of the waste being deposited. During site observations this area contributed to the single largest noise event when a consignment of ceramic waste was dropped onto the hard surfaced bay.</p> <p>Noise levels measured as up to 91dBA @ 50m.</p>
7	Inert waste sorting and transportation		No sorting was observed while on site although during off-site observations noise from plant operating in the bay and from the noise of material being moved around was significant.
8	Empty skip dispatch and return		'Booming' impact noise from skips being stacked or dropped on hard surfacing.
9	Processing of metal through shear		<p>Two shears operate on the site. Noise from within the shear consists of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The impact noise from metal being charged into the shear; 2. 'Crunching' noise from the shear action, and; 3. Further impact noise as processed metal is discharged from the plant. <p>One shear discharges into a pit approximately 2m deep which is likely to provide a significant amount of noise attenuation. The other shear discharges to ground level.</p>
10	Shear hydraulics		Distinctive tonal drone during the operation of the shear.
11	Shear plant room		Broadband noise emission through the louvered doors of the plant room of the shear. Noise is emitted in a northerly direction towards Swadlincote Road although it was not generally audible above other site noise and traffic noise on Swadlincote Road.
12	Localised generators (e.g. to jet wash)		Measured as 73dBA @ 5m. Not generally audible beyond the site boundary unless all other activity had ceased.
13	Hand held equipment (gas fired cutting equipment)		Generally audible only at locations close to the cutting equipment and when other noisier activity on the site had ceased.

If local residents want us to take some noise readings to determine the background noise and the specific noise affecting their properties from the site then I have no problem with arranging it.

Any noise monitoring location will need to be in a location where the equipment is safe from theft, vandalism or tampering, plus have a continuous electrical supply available.

Matt Holford

Environmental Health Manager
South Derbyshire District Council

2. Moira Road recycling bins collection issue

Councillor Steve Taylor reported a problem with contractors collecting waste during a busy time with children going to school, posing a danger along the narrow road.

I have emailed our contractors and requested they instruct their crew to adjust their route to try to avoid the area during school entry times and they have confirmed they will do so, but acknowledge the road may be troublesome at most times due to its narrow nature and the number of cars in the area.

Andy Kelly

Interim Waste and Transport Manager
South Derbyshire District Council

3. Scrap metal pile heights at Woodville Road scrap yard

A Woodville resident reported that scrap metal seemed to be getting piled higher at Ward Recycling. He asked how tall it could get.

Planning Officers have confirmed that the waste planning authority for South Derbyshire is Derbyshire County Council. As such, officers have referred the matter to the county council. The site does operate under an Environmental Permit so the Environment Agency has been asked for a response, which has not yet arrived.

Tom Sloan

Service Assistant
South Derbyshire District Council

4. Broomy Farm Section 106 funding

A member of the public – a governor at Granville School – said that Section 106 monies from the Broomy Farm development were not going to the school despite the need for facilities.

I informed the Governor that I had indeed written back to him previously and he had not received the letter. The Section 106 funds are for community use, not educational use, so would not automatically go to the school. The Section 106 Agreement has the option of being used on either of two sites, Granville School or Woodhouse Recreation Ground, and a decision will be made when the funding becomes available. This decision will be based on the community need and the readiness of the projects at the time.

Stuart Batchelor

Director of Community and Planning Services
South Derbyshire District Council