









Safer Neighbourhood Area 5 - Newhall & Midway (6.15pm - 7.15pm)

Interval with light refreshments 7.15 - 7.30pm

and

Newhall Area Forum (7.30pm - 8.30pm)

Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017

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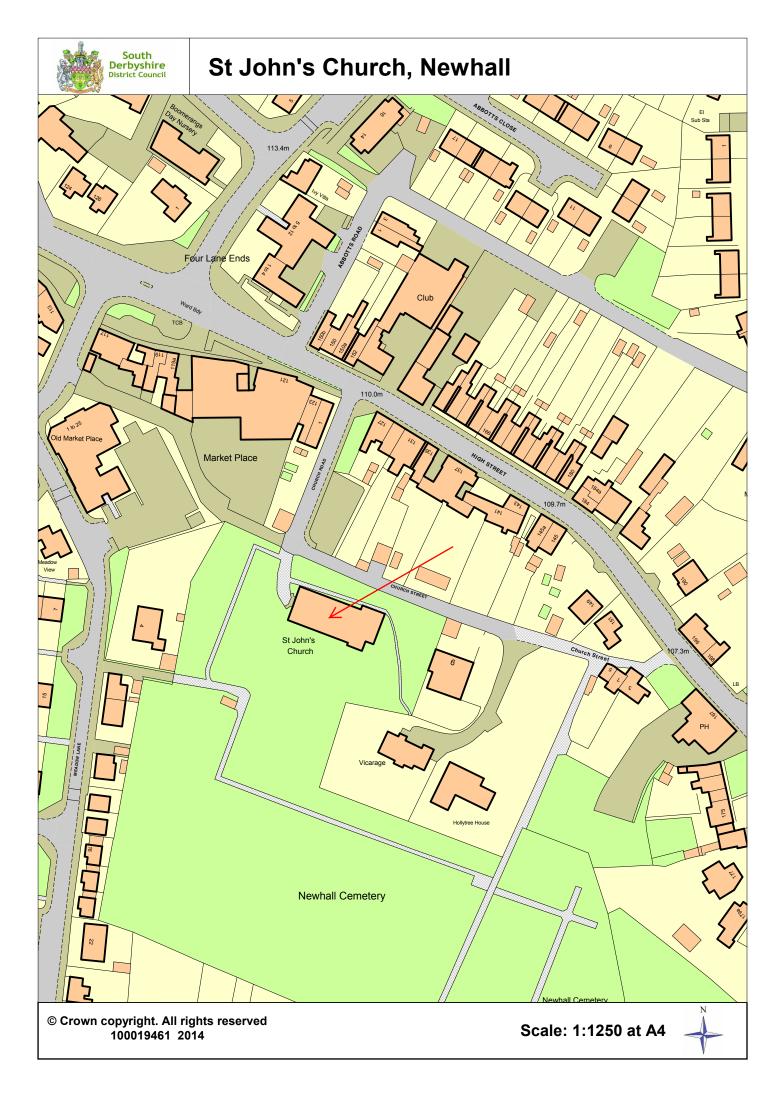
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# SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL COMMITTEE AND COUNCIL MEETINGS – OCT 2017 TO MAY 2018

Committee	<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>
OCTOBER 2017		
Housing & Community Services	Thu	05.10.17
Finance & Management	Thu	12.10.17
Planning	Tue	17.10.17
Overview & Scrutiny	Wed	18.10.17
Employee Health & Safety Committee	Wed	25.10.17
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COUNCIL	Thu	02.11.17
Planning	Tue	07.11.17
Environmental & Development Services	Thu	16.11.17
Housing & Community Services	Thu	23.11.17
Planning	Tue	28.11.17
Overview & Scrutiny	Wed	29.11.17
Finance & Management	Thu	30.11.17
DECEMBER 2017		
Audit Sub	Wed	13.12.17
Planning	Tue	13.12.17
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JANUARY 2018		
Environmental & Dev (Special-Budget)	Thu	04.01.18
Housing & Com Services (Special-Budget)	Tue	09.01.18
Etwall JMC	Wed	10.01.18
Finance & Management (Special-Budget)	Thu	11.01.18
Planning	Tue	16.01.18
Overview & Scrutiny	Wed	17.01.18
COUNCIL	Thu	18.01.18
Employee H & S Committee	Wed	24.01.18
Environmental & Development Services	Thu	25.01.18
Overview & Scrutiny	Wed	31.01.18
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Housing & Community Services	Thu	01.02.18
Planning	Tue	06.02.18
Audit Sub	Wed	14.02.18
Finance & Management	Thu	15.02.18
COUNCIL	Mon	26.02.18
Planning	Tue	27.02.18
MARCH 2018		
Environmental & Development Services	Thu	01.03.18
Housing & Community Services	Thu	08.03.18
Finance & Management	Thu	15.03.18
Planning	Tue	20.03.18
Audit Sub	Wed	21.03.18
Overview & Scrutiny	Wed	21.03.18
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Planning	Tue	10.04.18
Etwall JMC	Wed	11.04.18
COUNCIL	Thu	12.04.18
Environmental & Development Services	Thu	19.04.18
Employee Health & Safety Committee	Wed	25.04.18
Housing & Community Services	Thu	26.04.18

MAY 2018		
Planning	Tue	01.05.18
Finance & Management	Thu	03.05.18
ANNUAL COUNCIL	Thu	17.05.18
CIVIC COUNCIL	Thu	24.05.18



## **AGENDA**

### **SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUP - AREA 5**

## Wednesday, October 11, 2017 at St John's Church, Newhall

## (Light refreshments will be served between 7.15 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
- 5. Local issues open forum (20 minutes)
- 6. Agreed priorities
- 7. Date of next meeting (TBA)

Meeting close (7.15pm)



## AREA 5 - NEWHALL AREA SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUP

Present	Date of Meeting	Venue
Mick Mulgrew (chair), Sgt Graham Summers, PC Kev Cassidy, PCSO John Beard, PCSO Craig Thompson, Claire Rawlins (Safer South Derbyshire manager).	Tuesday, June 20, 2017	Old Post Centre, Newhall
Alan Argent, Pat Bambrick, Councillor Sean Bambrick, Dennis Bateman (SDDC), Colin Dobson, Councillor Paul Dunn, Mr Hobson, Mrs Hobson, Richard House, Colin Maddock, Councillor Kevin Richards, Councillor Linda Stuart, R Trim, Councillor John Wilkins, Barry Woods.		
Also present: Tom Sloan (clerk), Helen Kreft (Burton Mail).		

1	Chair's Introduction. Apologies	Action
	Mr Hall, Councillor Robert Pearson.	
2	Minutes of last meeting (to be agreed)	
	The minutes were agreed as a true record of the meeting.	
3	Safer Neighbourhoods Sergeant's overview / priorities update	
	Sgt Graham Summers reported that new staff had arrived in the form of PCSO John Beard, a nine-year veteran of Staffordshire Police. PCSO Karen Caldicott would also soon be moving over from the Hilton area. She also had nine years' experience and knew the area well. The bad news was that PCSO Craig Thompson would be moving to Staffordshire Police in September to start as a PC with the neighbouring force. At 28 years old, PCSO Thompson had plenty of years left to serve the public and it was just a shame he would be in Staffordshire and not Derbyshire.  The priorities on Area 5 had been set as drugs offences and anti-social behaviour. Drugs would always be an issue in urban areas but Sgt Summers hoped to keep a lid on it. Since the previous meeting officers had executed several drugs warrants in the area. Charges had been brought for cannabis cultivation and possession with intent to supply a controlled substance, namely heroin. Those arrested were yet to appear in court. The fight against drugs continued and always would in Area 5.  There was a problem with ASB at Eureka Lodge and police had been out countless times.	

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Dwelling burglaries were down by 40% and since the last meeting shoplifting in the town centre had receded. There had been an enormous problem with it with six prolific offenders out at the same time. Shops in Midway, Newhall and Swadlincote had been hammered. The team had worked tirelessly on the issue and all six had been arrested. Four were in prison. Together, the six had caused a 56% rise in shoplifting, which was ridiculous.

Four stolen vehicles had been recovered in the area.

PCSO Craig Thompson reported that on the whole ASB was being dealt with quite well in Area 5. Eureka Lodge was causing problems, with kids being drawn to the place. Police were being proactive with patrols, with the kids not the usual ASB suspects. Due to the nature and condition of the building, police had to be robust in their approach. Councillor John Wilkins added that soon someone was going to get seriously injured at Eureka Lodge. The access points were too easy for people to get into. PCSO Thompson replied that he had contacted the developer to see if they could secure the site. Sgt Summers said that the site would remain a problem until the building was demolished.

A resident thanked PCSO Thompson for his hard work in the area and welcomed the new PCSOs to Midway, Newhall and Stanton.

#### 4 Partnership update/ Funding/ New project Ideas

Claire Rawlins reported that £4,000 of Safer Neighbourhoods Funding was available for the area and no bids had yet been received this financial year. Two bids from the Old Post Centre for a security door and CCTV equipment had been received since the previous meeting which were coming out of the 2015-16 budget.

Liberation Day had been held and was a great success with almost 300 residents attending.

The Safer South Derbyshire Partnership's plan for 2017-20 had been produced setting out the aims and objectives for the next three years.

Midway Community Centre now had a youth group on a Monday evening for eight to 15-year-olds, with 30-40 youngsters attending each week. The sessions had been suspended for the summer holidays but would resume in the autumn.

Councillor Paul Dunn asked if the CCTV system was up and running at the Midway Community Centre. Mrs Rawlins confirmed that it was.

A resident asked if there were guidelines around hate crime and whether the area was braced for an outbreak of it. Sgt Summers replied that several hate crime surgeries were held around the area at around the time of the Euro Referendum and only one person came forward to report an incident in the Stenson Fields area. It was quite a multicultural area. The rest of the area tended not to be a melting pot of cultures. Mrs Rawlins added that Safer South Derbyshire had a hate crime policy and it was in the partnership's plan.

Dennis Bateman gave a presentation on enforcement action being done by SDDC's Safer Neighbourhood Wardens. Their work combatted offences such as dog fouling, fly-tipping and littering. Councillor Dunn asked if fly-tipping was linked

	to charging for tip usage. Mr Bateman confirmed it was a contributory factor.	
	A resident asked if charges were still levied for the collection of old furniture. Mr Bateman confirmed they were and it was £30.	
5	Local Issues – open forum (20 minutes)	
	A resident reported that the war memorial in Newhall Park was being taken over by youths. Seats which cost £900 each were being abused. Could the PCSOs please pay a visit to the site?	
	Councillor Dunn stated that Derby City Council had introduced fines for motorists parking on pavements. Would this be introduced in South Derbyshire? Sgt Summers replied that there was probably a bylaw in the city to allow fines to be levied. The issue had been raised before and he would look into it.	
	A member of the public reported a taxi parked on double yellow lines outside Elmsleigh Infant School in Queens Drive. He had a word with the driver but all he got back was a mouthful of abuse after a near accident resulting from the parking. Mr Bateman advised that if the incident was repeated, the taxi's badge number and registration should be taken and passed to Mark Lomas in Licensing at SDDC.	for fines
	Councillor Sean Bambrick reported complaints of drivers going through Newhall at speed in the area of Park Road and Main Street near Four Lane Ends. Sgt Summers said he would email CREST (Speed Camera team) and ask about the potential of getting a speed camera to the locations.	Sgt Graham Summers
	A resident reported a lot of HGVs coming up Park Road. PCSO Thompson replied that he was aware of a couple of complaints. It was an issue for Trading Standards at DCC. Sgt Summers added that police punishments were minor compared to what Trading Standards could levy.	to email CREST
	Councillor Bambrick asked if an application for funding from Newhall Church had been received by the partnership. Mrs Rawlins replied that she was unaware of an application from the church.	
6	Agreed priorities	
	No priorities were agreed.	
7	Date of next meeting	
	To be announced.	

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Derbyshire Police www.derbyshire.police.uk

Area 5 Police are on Twitter <a href="www.twitter.com@NhallMwaySNT">www.twitter.com@NhallMwaySNT</a>

Crime Statistics for your area www.police.uk

Safer South Derbyshire Partnership <a href="www.south-derbys.gov.uk/ssdp">www.south-derbys.gov.uk/ssdp</a>

Safer SDP Facebook Page <a href="https://www.facebook.com">www.facebook.com</a> - search - Safer South Derbyshire Partnership

SDDC Environmental Health Facebook <u>www.facebook.com/southderbys</u>

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## SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

## SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AREA FORUM NEWHALL

(Covering Midway, Newhall and Stanton)

Meeting to be held at:
St John's Church
Church Street
Newhall
Swadlincote
DE11 OHY
on Wednesday, October 11,
2017 at 7.30pm

#### Members:

District Councillors: Councillors Paul Dunn (Chair), Sean Bambrick Robert Pearson, Kevin

Richards, Mrs Linda Stuart and John Wilkins.

County Councillors: Councillors Sean Bambrick and Gary Musson.

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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 June 20, 2017 (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**

#### <u>NEWHALL</u>

Tuesday, June 20, 2017 at Newhall Old Post Centre

#### PRESENT:-

#### **South Derbyshire District Council representatives**

Councillor Paul Dunn (Chair), Councillor Sean Bambrick, Councillor Kevin Richards, Councillor Mrs Linda Stuart, Councillor John Wilkins.

Kevin Stackhouse (Director of Finance and Corporate Services), Tom Sloan (Clerk).

#### **Derbyshire County Council representatives**

Councillor Sean Bambrick.

#### Parish Council / Meeting representatives

None.

#### Members of the public

Richard House, Alan Jones, Helen Kreft (Burton Mail), Colin Maddock, Mick Mulgrew, M Richards, M Ross, Barry Woods.

#### NA/1 Apologies for absence

Mr Hall, Councillor Robert Pearson.

#### NA/2 **Declarations of interest**

None.

#### NA/3 Chairman's announcements

Councillor Paul Dunn reported that a new Physical Activity, Sport and Recreation Strategy had been adopted by South Derbyshire District Council. Councillor Dunn added that a lot of work had gone into the new strategy in an effort to get people in the district more active.

SDDC was also consulting on three planning documents which would form part of future planning policy – local green spaces, affordable housing and a design guide. Feedback was being sought from residents.

#### NA/4 The minutes of the meeting held on February 1, 2017

The minutes were approved as an accurate record of the meeting.

#### NA/5 Report back on issues raised at the last meeting

#### Rose Tree Lane junction, Bretby Road, Newhall: damaged tactile paving

Derbyshire County Council turned down requests for a no parking sign at the location.

#### Leaking drain in the Fairway, Newhall

Severn Trent was carrying out further investigation at the site to see if the water was coming from a piped water source.

#### NA/6 Public questions on issues raised by residents

A resident said that at a previous area forum he and others had been promised a public meeting by SDDC to discuss a multi-use games area (MUGA) for older children at Midway Community Centre. The current situation saw younger and older children having to share one play area, which was proving problematic. He had been asked to attend with three officers from SDDC. Councillor Dunn said he had received an email two weeks after the meeting had taken place and he had asked why the meeting was with three officers and only one resident. The resident in question said he and others wanted a public meeting with SDDC Chief Executive Frank McArdle. Councillor Dunn said the MUGA was promised in initial plans for the centre and he wanted the issue reporting back verbatim to Mr McArdle and Director of Community and Planning Services Stuart Batchelor. Councillor Kevin Richards asked why an alarm had gone off for three days at the centre when it was supposed to have a caretaker. A resident replied that the caretaker had been off with a broken ankle at the time. Councillor Richards asked why there was no relief.

# ACTION: Issues to be reported back to SDDC and clarity sought on what could be improved at Midway Community Centre

A resident reported that their son had left home at Christmas, 2015 and SDDC's Elections team was informed of his departure. However, he had recently been sent a poll card for the General Election. They had rung Elections and been asked to bring the card back to the Civic Offices as well as being told that any move should be reported to SDDC in writing – twice.

Councillor Dunn said he and another councillor had a meeting with Mr McArdle about issues around voting and he would raise the issue.

A resident asked if activities taking place for children during the summer holidays would be publicised. They felt that information came out too late after schools had broken up. Could it please come out earlier?

#### NA/7 County council issues

A member of the public complained about a lack of a crossing at Belmont School opposite Wideshaft. Could it be investigated by DCC for a potential crossing?

#### **ACTION: Tom Sloan to report request to Derbyshire County Council**

Councillor Mrs Linda Stuart reported that four cottages in Orchard Street, Newhall, opposite the bottom of Appleton Close, had an issue. The pavement had been built up because of flooding, solving the problem, but it made residents exiting their front doors vulnerable to passing traffic as there was a dropped kerb. One bollard was all that was needed. Councillor Richards said he'd encountered a similar problem in Stanton and DCC installed a bollard.

#### **ACTION: Tom Sloan to report request to Derbyshire County Council**

A resident asked what the situation was with a plot of land waiting to be developed by DCC in Plummer Road, Newhall. Councillor Dunn replied that DCC had been creating a development company which would have dealt with it but the cabinet member in charge of the project had lost their seat. The resident said the site had been derelict for 15 years. Councillor Sean Bambrick said the formation of a development company now sat with the new administration at DCC.

#### NA/8 <u>District council issues</u>

A member of the public asked if anything had been done about a recreation area for Stanton. One was due to be installed opposite the chapel. Councillor Bambrick replied that the land in question had been sold more than 20 years previously. Councillor Richards added that a play area was contained within the development plan.

Kevin Stackhouse reported that SDDC had recently produced its accounts for 2016-17 and they were now subject to audit. Full accounts were on the SDDC website and all residents had the chance to talk to external auditors independent of the council between July 3 and August 4.

SDDC's revamped website was due to be launched. Residents should notice a difference from the current site, which wasn't as user friendly as the new version.

## NA/9 **Date of next meeting**

The next meeting would be held on a date to be announced.

Councillor Paul Dunn CHAIRMAN

The meeting terminated at 8.15pm.

## SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

#### **NEWHALL AREA FORUM**

(Covering: Midway, Newhall and Stanton)

Wednesday, October 11, 2017

#### REPORT BACK ON ISSUES RAISED AT THE LAST MEETING

At the last Newhall Area Forum held on June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017, at Newhall Old Post Centre, the following issues were raised and a progress report is provided.

#### **Derbyshire County Council issues:**

#### 1. Pedestrian crossing at Wideshaft

A member of the public complained about a lack of a crossing at Belmont School opposite Wideshaft. Could it be investigated by DCC for a potential crossing?

ACTION: Tom Sloan to report request to Derbyshire County Council

As the local highway authority, we receive many requests for crossing facilities from across the county, far outweighing the resources available for such measures. We therefore apply strict criteria to each request to ensure that such measures are targeted to locations where they are most needed and will be widely used.

We use a nationally recognised formula known as PV2 as guide criteria, when assessing requests – this seeks to establish traffic flow against the volume of pedestrians crossing the road. In order to meet assessment criteria, and consequently to ensure a new crossing will be well used, we would be looking for numbers in the region of 1,000 vehicles, with 100 crossing pedestrians, for each of any four hours in the day. Please note that other factors are considered during the assessment process, which include the level of difficulty for pedestrians crossing, any facilities within the area, and whether there is an identifiable 'desire line' where pedestrians have a clear need to cross. In addition, the recorded injury collision history is also taken into account in regard to pedestrian-related incidents. It is considered that these numbers are unlikely to be significant enough to attain the levels required.

Formalised crossing are not installed solely for school related pedestrian traffic, but to serve a defined need for the wider community. To provide a pedestrian crossing where footfall is relatively light, can actually prove counter-productive to road safety. Department for Transport advice states that caution should be exercised when considering crossings on roads where

pedestrian flows are light for long periods of the day. Drivers become accustomed to not having to stop at the crossing and may begin to ignore its existence. This can increase the risk for pedestrians who make the assumption it is safe to cross and may step out in front of a driver who has ignored / forgotten the crossing.

Given the above, we are not in a position to recommend a formalised crossing be put forward for inclusion onto a future Capital Schemes Programme. We understand that this may not be the response you were hoping for, but trust we have provided a full and comprehensive reason as to why this is the case.

## Traffic and Safety Team

Derbyshire County Council

#### 2. Bollard outside cottages in Orchard Street

Councillor Mrs Linda Stuart reported that four cottages in Orchard Street, Newhall, opposite the bottom of Appleton Close, had an issue. The pavement had been built up because of flooding, solving the problem, but it made residents exiting their front doors vulnerable to passing traffic as there was a dropped kerb. One bollard was all that was needed. Councillor Richards said he'd encountered a similar problem in Stanton and DCC installed a bollard.

ACTION: Tom Sloan to report request to Derbyshire County Council

We would not be looking to install a bollard outside the four houses opposite Appleton Close on Orchard Street.

Nationally, highway authorities are actively encouraging more sustainable modes of travel such as walking and therefore look to remove any potential restriction or obstacle within the footway which could impede foot traffic and create hazards in particular for those who are visually impaired or are using a mobility aid or young parents with pushchair/prams. As features such as this would be sited 450mm back from the edge of the kerb (to prevent it being struck by passing vehicles) it would reduce the width of the footway creating less space for pedestrians.

As you can appreciate, while we do sympathise with the enquiry, we cannot permit the installation of any feature, which may or may not provide a safety benefit of the residents of the property, if as a result it impacts negatively on the safety of all other footway users described previously.

However, if the concerns have been raised as a result of parking on the footway then the police are able to take action when a vehicle parked on the pavement is deemed to be causing an obstruction or is parked dangerously. The obstruction offence is covered by Section 137 of the Highways Act 1980 which states that it is an offence "if a person, without lawful authority or excuse, in any way wilfully obstructs the free passage along a highway..." This applies to the whole width of the highway including pavements and verges.

There is currently no national legislation banning the parking of vehicles on the pavement due to the wide range of circumstances and locations where pavement parking occurs. For example, in some narrow residential roads with a lack of off-street parking provision, drivers have little option but to park partly on the pavement to avoid causing traffic hazards. Although a few local authorities have introduced by-laws banning pavement parking this is something which Derbyshire County Council currently has no plans to do.

Parking on pavements is a source of irritation and we recognise that it causes severe difficulties for some, especially those who are disabled, visually impaired or elderly, and for adults with young children in prams or pushchairs. In these circumstances, it really is in everyone's interest to park sensibly with due regard to each other's needs.

We do not have the authority to control this type of parking. However, if any parked vehicles were to be causing an obstruction then this can be addressed by the police. They can be contacted in the first instance through the Local Safer Neighbourhoods Team on the non-emergency number of 101, or via the following link to their website:

http://www.derbyshire.police.uk/My-Local-Police/South-Division/South-Derbyshire-LPU/NewhallandMidway/NewhallandMidway.aspx

**Traffic and Safety Team**Derbyshire County Council

#### **South Derbyshire District Council issues:**

#### 1. Midway Community Centre – MUGA requested by residents

A resident said that at a previous area forum he and others had been promised a public meeting by SDDC to discuss a multi-use games area (MUGA) for older children at Midway Community Centre. The current situation saw younger and older children having to share one play area, which was proving problematic. He had been asked to attend with three officers from SDDC. Councillor Dunn said he had received an email two weeks after the meeting had taken place and he had asked why the meeting was with three officers and only one resident. The resident in question said he and others wanted a public meeting with SDDC Chief Executive Frank McArdle. Councillor Dunn said the MUGA was promised in initial plans for the centre and he wanted the issue reporting back verbatim to Mr McArdle and Director of Community and Planning Services Stuart Batchelor.

ACTION: Issues to be reported back to SDDC and clarity sought on what could be improved at Midway Community Centre

A proposal on improvements at Midway Community Centre is being developed. Options for youth play are continuously being secured, but issues of available land and proximity to roads and the children's play area are problematic. An anniversary community event is planned for October and this will be widely

advertised.

The youth activity session has resumed in October and will help develop links with young people. In terms of recent vandalism, four perpetrators have been identified and action is being taken.

South Derbyshire CVS are leading on a plan to get community involvement in the operation of the site and a meeting will be held which local people can attend.

#### **Stuart Batchelor**

Director of Community and Planning South Derbyshire District Council