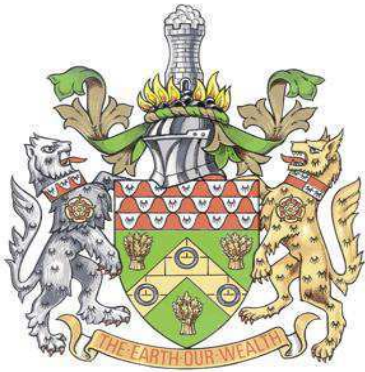




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Area 1 - North West  
(6.15pm - 7.15pm)**

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

**and**

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

**Tuesday  
October 3, 2017**

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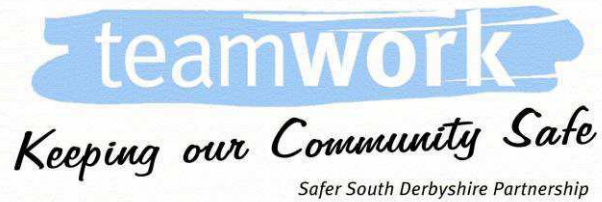
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**SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL**  
**COMMITTEE AND COUNCIL MEETINGS – OCT 2017 TO MAY 2018**

<b><u>Committee</u></b>	<b><u>Day</u></b>	<b><u>Date</u></b>
<b><u>OCTOBER 2017</u></b>		
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
<b><u>NOVEMBER 2017</u></b>		
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
<b><u>DECEMBER 2017</u></b>		
Audit Sub	Wed	13.12.17
Planning	Tue	19.12.17
<b><u>JANUARY 2018</u></b>		
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
<b><u>FEBRUARY 2018</u></b>		
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
<b><u>MARCH 2018</u></b>		
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
<b><u>APRIL 2018</u></b>		
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

<b>MAY 2018</b>		
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 1**

**Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 at 6.15pm**  
**at Sutton-on-the-Hill Village Hall**

**(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 1 – NORTH WEST SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUP**

Present	Date of Meeting	Venue
<p>Councillor Andy Billings (Chair), Sgt Graham Summers, PC Joe Stafford, PCSO Kelly Horne (Derbyshire Police), Ian Hey (Safer South Derbyshire).</p> <p>Geoff Allen, Jo Bagley (CVS), Dennis Bateman (SDDC), Barbara Beer, Bill Beer, Leslie Carter, Helena Coney, Mark Coney, Steve Cooper, Phil Coultas, Chris Hall, Roger Hyland, Norman Ireland, Councillor David Muller, Brian Myring, Councillor Amy Plenderleith, Councillor Andy Roberts, Cynthia Warren, Peter Williams.</p> <p>Tom Sloan (Clerk).</p>	<p>June 12, 2017</p>	<p>Hilton Village Hall</p>

1	Chair's Introduction, Apologies	Action
	<p>Councillor Martyn Ford, Councillor Lisa Brown, Councillor Julie Patten.</p>	
2	<p><b>Minutes of last meeting (to be agreed) and update on actions</b></p>	
	<p>The minutes of the last meeting were agreed as a true and accurate record.</p>	
3	<p><b>Safer Neighbourhood Sergeant's Overview / Priorities Update</b></p>	
	<p>PC Joe Stafford updated the meeting on the following work he had followed up:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Section 59 warning had been handed out and the driver had to attend a driver awareness course.</li> <li>• Nine cannabis offences had been committed. The offenders had attended court or been dealt with outside court.</li> <li>• A shoplifter had been fined £174 and put on a drug rehabilitation programme.</li> <li>• A drink driver had been banned for two years.</li> <li>• A control order was applied to two dangerous dogs.</li> <li>• Regarding an outbreak of disorder at Hilton Village Hall in 2016, some males had been dealt with for public order offences and assaulting a police officer.</li> <li>• A tool marking session had been held at Scropton.</li> </ul> <p>PC Stafford reported on the following new incidents:</p> <p><b>Hilton</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A warrant had been executed for misuse of drugs.</li> <li>• A moped was recovered and an offender fined £400 and given a three-</li> </ul>	

	<p>month sentence suspended for a year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A red-headed Scot wanted in connection with shoplifting got 14 weeks in prison.</li> </ul> <p><b>Hatton</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two dangerous dogs were dealt with. Retrospective Justice was applied.</li> <li>• A camper van was stolen and later located.</li> <li>• A woman was serving two years in prison for fraud.</li> <li>• A bilker received four weeks in prison for theft from a petrol station.</li> </ul> <p><b>Etwall</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A motor vehicle was stolen from Etwall Cricket Club.</li> <li>• John Port School pupils were spoken to about online activity and knife crime.</li> <li>• Four juveniles were dealt with by restorative justice for damaging a fence.</li> </ul> <p><b>Driving</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A driver on the A50 was given a 20-month ban and a £300 fine for drink driving.</li> <li>• A drink-driver who crashed on the A50 got a 17-month ban.</li> <li>• A drink-driver was arrested in Hilton.</li> <li>• A total of 11 vehicles were seized across the area, four people were caught using mobile phones, seven drivers were stopped for having no MoT and 11 for not wearing a seatbelt.</li> </ul> <p>PC Stafford was looking to set up an event at a community centre for people to come along and meet him over a tea or coffee. Details would come out in due course.</p>	
4	<b>Partnership update / funding / new project ideas</b>	
	<p>Ian Hey reported that a rogue trader had been doing business in Hatton. He drove a red van and asked customers for payments up front before work wasn't completed. The Trusted Traders scheme at DCC listed authentic tradesmen.</p> <p>Liberation Day at Gresley Old Hall had once again proved successful. It featured a speech from Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner Kevin Gillott.</p> <p>Safer Neighbourhood funding was available again in 2017-18. There was £4,000 in the pot for Area 1 and only £500 was spent the previous year. Anyone with a project related to crime, disorder or anti-social behaviour should contact the partnership to discuss an application.</p>	
5	<b>Local issues – open forum</b>	
	<p>A resident reported that Etwall residents in the vicinity of John Port School were having a lot of problems with school children. They were smoking and there were issues with chewing gum and standing on private drives. They became abusive if asked to move on. There always seemed to be children out of school and the issue had been brought up in the past. Sgt Graham Summers replied that PCSOs would be sent out to have words in the areas where children were said to be</p>	



<p>abusive. It was a large school and closing time was like a public order event such as a football match! Councillor David Muller said Portland Street was one of the worst locations. Sgt Summer said police received reports of organised fights but then they would never happen if officers turned up.</p> <p>A member of the public reported more thefts from the allotments in Etwall. Gooseberries had been taken. It had been happening for a couple of years.</p> <p>The organiser of Etwall Well Dressings thanked police for coming to the event. Parking was the problem. Since John Port put a fence up, cars parked along the main street from the Green to Burnaston Lane. Would it be possible to have parking only on one side of the road to ease problems? Sgt Summers replied it was possible to put no waiting cones along one side of the road but it could potentially cause problems elsewhere. He asked for a prompt a month before the event.</p> <p>A resident reported that 7.5 tonne vehicles were using Derby Road, Hilton, in contravention of the weight limit. What route should residents take to get the problem combated? There was also a speeding problem in the road, especially late at night. Sgt Summers replied that police could prosecute the overweight offences, but Trading Standards could apply bigger penalties to haulage firms. PC Stafford added that Highways needed to improve signage in the area. Residents should collect registration plates and he was more than happy to write to all registered owners. Sgt Summers said an effective strategy would be to pick on one or two lorries and then publicise the punishments. Regarding speeding, PC Stafford was happy to set up a Community Speed Watch. Six was ideally needed to set a group up but four was the minimum.</p> <p>A member of the public said speeding was also a problem in Sutton Lane, The Mease and Avon Way, Hilton. He also mentioned the fatality in Main Street. PC Stafford said that unfortunately he couldn't be everywhere and a Community Speed Watch would help with the former issue.</p> <p>A resident raised the issue of roadworks at a housing development near Burnaston and how drivers were behaving themselves very well going into and out of the village. Could the 40mph limit be kept permanently once the roadworks were completed? PC Stafford replied that police enforced speed limits but didn't set them.</p> <p>A resident reported chaotic parking in Peacroft Lane, and Egginton Road, Hilton, during school hours. People were parking on double yellow lines and the situation was crazy. PC Stafford replied that he had only just heard about the problem and he would look into it. Residents needed to report issues to make sure a proper response was received. Anyone whose drive was blocked should take a registration number. A photo of a car showing the registration would be even better – but the picture should be sent to his email and not shared on social media.</p>	<p><b>ACTION: PC Joe Stafford to contact Highways and find out if bollards could be used</b></p>
<p><b>6 Agreed priorities</b></p>	
<p>No priorities were agreed.</p>	
<p><b>7 Any Other Business / Date of next meeting</b></p>	
<p>TBA.</p>	

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# SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

## **SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AREA FORUM ETWALL**

(Covering Ash, Barton Blount, Bearwardcote, Burnaston, Church Broughton, Dalbury Lees, Egginton, Etwall, Foston & Scropton, Hatton, Hilton, Hoon, Marston-on-Dove, Osleston & Thurvaston, Radbourne, Sutton-on-the-Hill and Trusley)

**Meeting to be held at the  
Sutton on the Hill Village Hall  
Marlpit Lane  
Sutton on the Hill  
Derby  
DE6 5JH  
On Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017  
at 7.30pm.**

### Members:

District Councillors: Councillor Mrs Lisa Brown (Chairman) and Councillors Andy Billings, David Muller, Mrs Julie Patten, Mrs Amy Plenderleith and Andy Roberts.

County Councillors: Councillors Martyn Ford and Mrs Julie Patten.

## **BUSINESS**

1. Apologies for absence.
2. Declarations of interest.
3. Chairman's announcements.
4. To note the minutes of the meeting held on June 12<sup>th</sup>, 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**

**AREA 1 – ETWALL**

**Monday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at Hilton Village Hall**

**PRESENT:-**

**South Derbyshire District Council representatives**

Councillor Andy Billings (Chair), Councillor David Muller, Councillor Mrs Amy Plenderleith, Councillor Andy Roberts.

Frank McArdle – Chief Executive.

Dennis Bateman – Senior Safer Neighbourhood Warden.

Tom Sloan – Clerk.

**Derbyshire County Council representatives**

None.

**Parish Council / Meeting representatives**

Leslie Carter (Foston & Scropton Parish Council), Steve Cooper (Hilton Parish Council), Phil Coultas (Dalbury Lees Parish Council), Norman Ireland (Etwall Parish Council), David Neal (Etwall Parish Council).

**Members of the public**

Geoff Allen (Burnaston Neighbourhood Watch), Jo Bagley (South Derbyshire CVS), Barbara Beer, Bill Beer, Helena Coney, Mark Coney, Roger Hyland (Egginton Neighbourhood Watch), Sue Jolly, Bryan Myring (Etwall Neighbourhood Watch), Martin Payne, GM Wale, Emma Watson, Cynthia Warren.

EA/1 **Apologies**

Councillor Mrs Lisa Brown, Councillor Martyn Ford and Councillor Mrs Julie Patten

EA/2 **Declarations of interest**

None.

EA/3 **Election of vice-chair**

Councillor Mrs Amy Plenderleith nominated Councillor David Muller to be vice-chair. Councillor Andy Billings seconded the nomination and Councillor Muller was unanimously voted in by the councillors present.

EA/4 **Chair's announcements**

Dennis Bateman gave a presentation on the work being done by his team to combat environmental offences such as fly-tipping, litter, dog fouling and abandoned vehicles. A total of 65 litter-related Fixed Penalty Notices had been handed out in 2016-17 and a lot of them centred on fly-tipping at the Hatton tip. Councillor Mrs Plenderleith asked if similar enforcement action could be undertaken in Hilton. Mr Bateman replied that six such tickets had recently been issued in Hilton. A resident asked if fly-tipping offences included private land. Mr Bateman confirmed that they did. A resident asked if a Community Protection Notice (CPN) warning could be applied to someone with an overgrown garden that reduced the value of neighbouring properties. Mr Bateman replied that there were no hard and fast rules about what the legislation covered.

EA/5 **To note the minutes of the meeting held on January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017 (copy attached)**

The minutes were approved as a true and correct record.

EA/6 **Report back on issues raised at the last meeting**

**Street light repairs in Hatton**

A resident claimed that Derbyshire County Council used to have three workers who travelled the county checking lights and a further three carrying out repairs. Now, they claimed, there was only one person doing both jobs. They had counted 10 faulty lights in Main Street, Hatton, but only five of them had been repaired. Why?

**ACTION: Tom Sloan to ask Derbyshire County Council for clarity on street light repairs**

Councillor Andy Roberts asked for the meeting to write to DCC and ask for representation at Area Forums following the arrival of a new administration.

**ACTION: Tom Sloan to write a letter on behalf of Etwall Area Forum asking for Derbyshire County Council officer representation**

EA/7 **Public questions on issues raised by residents**

A member of the public raised four issues.

1. A-frames for road signs remained in place long after the sign itself was removed by DCC. There was one left at Seven Wells in Etwall, for example. Who was responsible for them?

**ACTION: Tom Sloan to pursue issue with Derbyshire County Council**

2. Weeds growing in gutters around Etwall were getting out of control. Had South Derbyshire District Council given up removing them. Frank McArdle replied that the works were still carried out by SDDC under contract from DCC, who specified the number of cuts carried out each year.

**ACTION: Tom Sloan to ask Derbyshire County Council for clarity on the number of gully clearing operations carried out each year**

3. An Etwall resident had her green bin rejected because it contained an egg box. Previously they had been recyclable. Mr McArdle replied that the contractor had taken it upon themselves to make the distinction and he had asked for a meeting with them and the head of SDDC's Depot to discuss the situation. SDDC should have been notified of the change so residents could be alerted.

**ACTION: Frank McArdle to report back on the outcome of a meeting with Palm Recycling**

4. Contractors' signs at Bridge Bank had become overgrown. Could they be cleared? Councillor David Muller replied that he was attending a liaison meeting with the contractor and he would raise the issue.

A Dalbury Lees resident asked if the grass cutting budget could be devolved to the parish to better manage the work, including the collection of grass cuttings. Mr McArdle replied that there were 84,000 acres to cut in South Derbyshire and it wasn't possible to provide what the resident wanted. He was investigating alternative possibilities to the current service. Breaking up and devolving a service like grass cutting may be problematic, but would be investigated.

**ACTION: Frank McArdle to provide a report back into possible options to improve the grass cutting service**

A resident reported the flouting of a 7.5 tonne weight limit in Derby Road, Hilton. Was there any chance of getting improved signage from DCC? Councillor Billings said Councillor Mrs Patten had got an officer out from DCC to look at the problem and the question was in hand.

A resident asked if the speed limits in Hilton could be reviewed, with both 40mph sections at either end of the village reduced to 30mph.

**ACTION: Tom Sloan to report request to Derbyshire County Council for a report back**

A parish councillor stated that their organisation had been asked for a contribution from SDDC towards routine maintenance of a climbing frame at the King George V playing fields in Etwall. Was this correct?

**ACTION: Frank McArdle to report back to Etwall Parish Council on the relevant policy**

EA/8 **County council issues**

None.

EA/9 **District council issues**

There were issues around car parking at Etwall Leisure Centre that Mr McArdle was aware of and solutions were being sought. Councillor Mrs Plenderleith added that a car park to be used needed surfacing.

Mr McArdle was working with development company Tophat Industries Ltd at Foston on their plans for a 118,000 sq ft factory and 200 jobs.

At the recent General Election, 76,000 people were eligible to vote in South Derbyshire and 52,000 did, of whom 11,000 were postal voters. It represented a turnout of 69%.

A resident expressed concern with the rapid growth of villages like Etwall, with new housing estates not matched by improvements in infrastructure. Mr McArdle replied that South Derbyshire was a fast-growing area and he had great confidence in his authority's Planning department.

A member of the public said they believed a developer was contracted to pay for the building of a school upon completion of the 150<sup>th</sup> house on its site in the Etwall area. What was SDDC doing to help build schools in the area? Mr McArdle replied that his authority's planners took advice from statutory consultees, including the education authority, before awarding planning permission. If no objection was lodged from them, there was no legal basis for rejection on the grounds of a lack of school places.

EA/10 **Date of next meeting**

The date of the next meeting would be announced in due course.

**Councillor Andy Billings  
Chair**

The meeting terminated at 8.45pm.



**SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**ETWALL AREA FORUM**

(Covering Ash, Barton Blount, Bearwardcote, Burnaston, Church Broughton, Dalbury Lees, Egginton, Etwall, Foston & Scropton, Hatton, Hilton, Hoon, Marston-on-Dove, Osleston & Thurvaston, Radbourne, Sutton-on-the-Hill and Trusley)

**Tuesday, October 3, 2017**

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

At the last Etwall Area Forum, held on June 12, 2017, at Hilton Village Hall, the following issues were raised and a progress report is provided.

**Derbyshire County Council issues:**

**1. Street light repairs in Hatton**

A resident claimed that Derbyshire County Council used to have three workers who travelled the county checking lights and a further three carrying out repairs. Now, they claimed, there was only one person doing both jobs.

**ACTION: Tom Sloan to ask Derbyshire County Council for clarity on street light repairs.**

**No response yet received from Derbyshire County Council.**

**2. Derbyshire County Council representation at Area Forums**

Councillor Andy Roberts asked for the meeting to write to DCC and ask for representation at Area Forums following the arrival of a new administration.

**ACTION: Tom Sloan to write a letter on behalf of Etwall Area Forum asking for Derbyshire County Council officer representation.**

**The following was issued as a report back to another Area Forum on the issue and dates from the time a decision was made at County Hall to no longer send an officer:**

**In line with Derbyshire County Council policy, a Highways officer will no longer attend meetings as a matter of course. Any future DCC-related issues have to be reported via DCC's contact centre e-mail address so that they can be logged with the relevant department and referred to an appropriate officer to investigate and respond.**

However, Councillor Pat Murray and Councillor Mrs Linda Chilton have picked up the issue at County Hall and another response is awaited.

**Tom Sloan**

Service Assistant  
South Derbyshire District Council

**3. A-frames left in the street following work in Etwall**

A-frames for road signs remained in place long after the sign itself was removed by DCC. There was one left at Seven Wells in Etwall, for example. Who was responsible for them?

**ACTION: Tom Sloan to pursue issue with Derbyshire County Council.**

**No response yet received from Derbyshire County Council.**

**4. Weeds in gutters around Etwall**

Weeds growing in gutters around Etwall were getting out of control. Had South Derbyshire District Council given up removing them? Frank McArdle replied that the works were still carried out by SDDC under contract from DCC, who specified the number of cuts carried out each year.

**ACTION: Tom Sloan to ask Derbyshire County Council for clarity on the number of gully clearing operations carried out each year.**

**We have passed your request regarding the above to your Street Scene Officer for attention. As part of the agency arrangements for this work, we currently do not specify the frequency to them.**

**Highways Hub**

Derbyshire County Council

**We do undertake chemical control within Etwall and it should already have been completed. Unfortunately, we have had a major breakdown with our quad bike which carries out the work and as soon as we get the necessary parts repaired we will get back on the work immediately. There are other areas also awaiting treatment which are scheduled ahead of Etwall. However, we will get to the village as soon as we can. Also, it is worth noting that any treatment is weather dependent. We cannot chemically treat weeds if there is a chance of it raining within two hours of application as it will not work as effectively.**

**Steve Sheppard**

Street Scene Manager  
South Derbyshire District Council

**5. Speed limits in Hatton**

A resident asked if the speed limits in Hilton could be reviewed, with both 40mph sections at either end of the village reduced to 30mph.

**ACTION: Tom Sloan to report request to Derbyshire County Council for a report back.**

**No response yet received from Derbyshire County Council.**

**South Derbyshire District Council issues:**

**1. Rejected green bin in Etwall**

An Etwall resident had her green bin rejected because it contained an egg box. Previously they had been recyclable. Mr McArdle replied that the contractor had taken it upon themselves to make the distinction and he had asked for a meeting with them and the head of SDDC's Depot to discuss the situation. SDDC should have been notified of the change so residents could be alerted.

**ACTION: Frank McArdle to report back on the outcome of a meeting with Palm Recycling**

**2. Devolution of grass cutting budget**

A Dalbury Lees resident asked if the grass cutting budget could be devolved to the parish to better manage the work, including the collection of grass cuttings. Mr McArdle replied that there were 84,000 acres to cut in South Derbyshire and it wasn't possible to provide what the resident wanted. He was investigating alternative possibilities to the current service. Breaking up and devolving a service like grass cutting may be problematic, but would be investigated.

**ACTION: Frank McArdle to provide a report back into possible options to improve the grass cutting service**

**Frank McArdle to provide a verbal update to the meeting on the above two issues.**

**Tom Sloan**

Service Assistant

South Derbyshire District Council

**3. Maintenance of King George V playing fields**

A parish councillor stated that their organisation had been asked for a contribution from SDDC towards routine maintenance of a climbing frame at the King George V playing fields in Etwall. Was this correct?

**ACTION: Frank McArdle to report back to Etwall Parish Council on the relevant policy.**

**The King George V playing fields is owned and managed by Etwall Parish Council and SDDC inspects and maintains the play equipment, undertaking basic repairs. There is not a policy in place which sets out who is responsible for funding repairs or replacements where ownerships are unclear. The equipment (a**

large multi-play unit) had been identified as requiring significant repairs to rotten timber and metal work. It was not able to be repaired by the Grounds Maintenance Operative and Etwall Parish Council had been asked to consider making a contribution to essential specialist repairs to the equipment. They had declined on the basis there is no budget allocated.

**Zoe Sewter**

Open Space & Facilities Development Manager  
South Derbyshire District Council