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Safer South Derbyshire Partnership



Swadlincote Area Forum

Tuesday,
October 8, 2019
6:30pm

*Sharpe's Pottery
Museum
West Street
Swadlincote
Derbyshire
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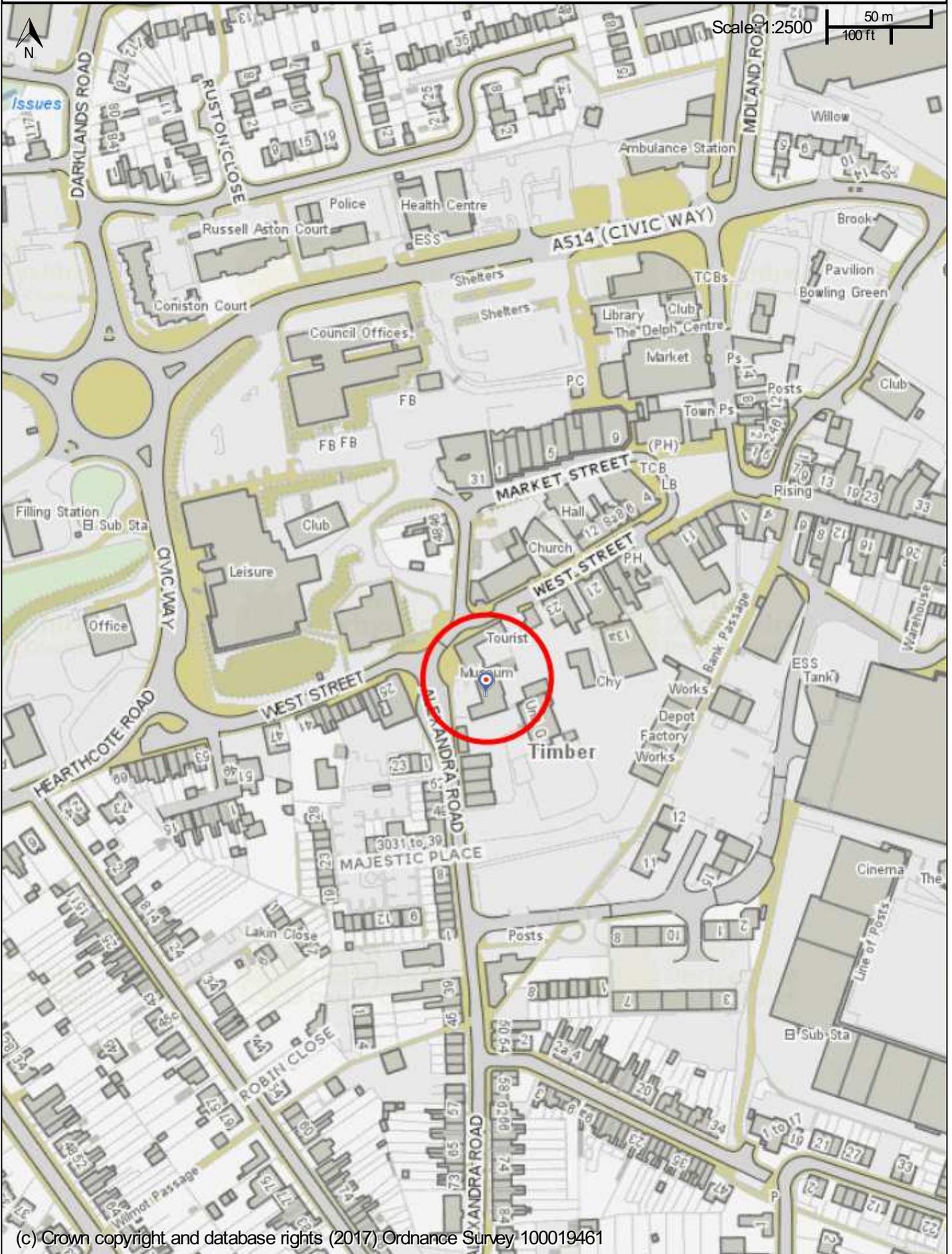
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COMMITTEE AND COUNCIL MEETINGS 2019/20

Committee	Day	Date
ANNUAL COUNCIL	Thursday	16.05.19
CIVIC COUNCIL	Thursday	23.05.19
Audit Sub-Committee: Special	Wednesday	29.05.19
Environmental & Development Services	Thursday	30.05.19
Planning	Tuesday	04.06.19
Housing & Community Services	Thursday	06.06.19
Finance & Management	Thursday	13.06.19
Overview & Scrutiny	Wednesday	19.06.19
Planning	Tuesday	25.06.19
COUNCIL	Thursday	27.06.19
Etwall JMC	Wednesday	10.07.19
Planning	Tuesday	16.07.19
Audit Sub-Committee (Special)	Wednesday	24.07.19
Finance and Management (Special)	Thursday	25.07.19
Planning	Tuesday	06.08.19
Environmental & Development Services	Thursday	15.08.19
Housing & Community Services	Thursday	22.08.19
Finance & Management	Thursday	29.08.19
Planning	Tuesday	03.09.19
Overview & Scrutiny	Wednesday	04.09.19
Audit Sub-Committee	Wednesday	18.09.19
COUNCIL	Thursday	19.09.19
Planning	Tuesday	24.09.19
Etwall JMC	Wednesday	25.09.19
Environmental & Development Services	Thursday	26.09.19
Housing & Community Services	Thursday	03.10.19
Finance & Management	Thursday	10.10.19
Planning	Tuesday	15.10.19
Overview & Scrutiny	Wednesday	16.10.19
COUNCIL	Thursday	17.10.19
Planning	Tuesday	05.11.19
Environmental & Development Services	Thursday	14.11.19
Housing & Community Services	Thursday	21.11.19
Planning	Tuesday	26.11.19
Overview & Scrutiny	Wednesday	27.11.19
Finance & Management	Thursday	28.11.19
Audit Sub-Committee	Wednesday	11.12.19
Planning	Tuesday	17.12.19
Environmental & Development Services (Special - Budget)	Monday	06.01.20
Housing & Community Services (Special – Budget)	Tuesday	07.01.20
Etwall JMC	Wednesday	08.01.20
Finance & Management (Special – Budget)	Thursday	09.01.20
Planning	Tuesday	14.01.20
Overview & Scrutiny	Wednesday	15.01.20

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COUNCIL	Thursday	16.01.20
Environmental & Development Services	Thursday	23.01.20
Housing & Community Services	Thursday	30.01.20
Planning	Tuesday	04.02.20
Overview & Scrutiny	Wednesday	12.02.20
Finance & Management	Thursday	13.02.20
Planning	Tuesday	25.02.20
COUNCIL	Wednesday	26.02.20
Environmental & Development Services	Thursday	05.03.20
Housing & Community Services	Thursday	12.03.20
Finance & Management	Thursday	19.03.20
Planning	Tuesday	24.03.20
Audit Sub-Committee	Wednesday	25.03.20
Overview & Scrutiny	Wednesday	01.04.20
Etwall JMC	Wednesday	08.04.20
COUNCIL	Thursday	16.04.20
Planning	Tuesday	21.04.20
Environmental & Development Services	Wednesday	22.04.20
Housing & Community Services	Tuesday	28.04.20
Finance & Management	Thursday	30.04.20
Planning	Tuesday	05.05.20
ANNUAL COUNCIL	Thursday	14.05.20
CIVIC COUNCIL	Thursday	21.05.20

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

**SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AREA FORUM
SWADLINCOTE**

(Covering Church Gresley, Goseley, Hartshorne Village, Swadlincote and Woodville)

Meeting to be held at:

**Sharpe's Pottery Museum
West Street
Swadlincote
Derbyshire
DE11 9DG**

Tuesday, October 8, 2019 at 6:30pm

Members

District Councillors: Gordon Rhind (Chair), Michael Dawson, Malcolm Gee, Vonnie Heath, Mick Mulgrew, Jane Perry, Trevor Southerd, Stephen Taylor and Neil Tilley

County Councillors: Sean Bambrick, Linda Chilton, Gary Musson and Stuart Swann

BUSINESS

1. (a) Introductions and apologies
(b) Declarations of interest
(c) Chair's announcements
(d) To receive the minutes of the last meeting
(e) Matters arising from last minutes
2. Police Safer Neighbourhood report and Police Q&A
3. Safer South Derbyshire Partnership update and Safer Neighbourhood grants
4. Local authority update and Public Q&A
5. Local community & voluntary sector projects/ update: -
CVS update
6. Summary of agreed priorities/ actions
7. Close and date of next meeting

Future meeting dates

Wednesday, January 29, 2020 at Oaklands Village

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AREA FORUM

SWADLINCOTE – AREA 4

Tuesday, June 18, 2019 at Woodville Methodist Church

PRESENT: -

South Derbyshire District Council representatives

Councillor Gordon Rhind (Chair), Councillor Malcolm Gee, Councillor Jane Perry, Councillor Trevor Southard, Councillor Steve Taylor, Councillor Neil Tilley

Kevin Stackhouse – Strategic Director of Corporate Resources
Claire Rawlins – Anti-Social Behaviour Officer
Max Boyce – Community Support Enforcement Officer (Town Centre)
Debbie Ward – Service Assistant

Derbyshire County Council representatives

Councillor Linda Chilton, Councillor Gary Musson

Derbyshire Police representatives

PC Stuart Kelly, PCSO Harriet Dunn, PCSO Claire Robbins

Parish Council/ Meeting representatives

Jenny Burley (Hartshorne Parish Council), Maureen Mycock (Hartshorne Parish Council), Eric Parker (Woodville Parish Council)
Greg Stenson (Citizens Advice)
Liz Gumbley (South Derbyshire CVS)

Members of the public

Christine Allen, Eddie Bisknell, Ron Causer, Alan Clarke, Colin Dobson, M. Hine, P. Pollard, Yvonne Pollard, Rhea Turner

SA/1 **Open meeting**

• **Introductions and apologies**

Councillor Mike Dawson, Councillor Vonnie Heath, Councillor Mick Mulgrew

- **Declarations of interest**

None.

- **Chair's announcements**

Councillor Gordon Rhind proposed Councillor Steve Taylor as Vice Chair, all were in favour.

Festival of Leisure 2019 takes place on Saturday 29th and Sunday 30th June at Maurice Lea Park.

The new Summer Activities leaflet has been launched to promote Active South Derbyshire District Council Derbyshire's summer holiday programme.

The Council has just submitted its Local Green Spaces Plan for examination by the Planning Inspectorate. Local Green Spaces are areas of land that are of value to the local community; they can be located in rural or built up areas. Once allocated, a local green space would have a policy designation similar to that of green belt, and therefore would restrict future development. The examination is expected to take place in the late summer or autumn.

Heritage Trail pavement plaques – we're still awaiting the permit from DCC but have been advised informally that the plaques have been approved in principle.

If people have any other ideas about celebrating their local heritage we are happy to put them together to make further funding applications.

- **To receive the minutes of the last meeting**

The minutes were approved as a true and correct record of the meeting.

- **Matters arising from last minutes**

None.

SA/2 **Police Safer Neighbourhood report**

PC Stuart Kelly provided the following report: -

- The new Safer Neighbourhoods Team Sargent, Matt Haslam is now in post.

- There have been big changes within the force and as a result the Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) have lost a few officers to other units within Derbyshire which currently leaves two SNT police officers to cover the whole of South Derbyshire plus a number of PCSO's. However, as of Monday 24th June 2019 there will be new police officers and additional PCSO's starting to come through which should bring the SNT back to full strength by the end of the summer.
- There has been a lot of drugs intelligence received from the public which has led to 70+ cannabis plants being recovered from a farm in Hilton. Although not specifically in Swadlincote, it was still a major success for the District.
- 24 Cannabis plants were recovered from an address in Church Gresley.
- Equipment and a bag of Cannabis worth approx. £100 was recovered from another address in Church Gresley.
- A number of stop searches have been carried out in Swadlincote based on local intelligence and there have been some positive results with persons being found in possession of controlled substances.
- County lines is still an issue in the area – please be vigilant and keep an eye out for vulnerable people in the community and continue to report any suspicious behaviour.
- Shoplifting has been reduced. Most shops have CCTV which is brilliant evidence and an excellent deterrent.
- There has been a slight increase in thefts from and of motor vehicles in the area. Please ensure that valuables are not left in vehicles overnight and ensure that your vehicles are secured.
- Fire in Church Gresley – Scott's Pallets went up in smoke and since then there have been a number of deliberate small fires set in the woodlands. PCSO's and the Fire Service are working together to educate schools in regard to the dangers of setting deliberate fires.

PCSO Claire Robbins provided the following report: -

- Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) calls to service have increased since the last meeting. Any calls that have been received have been attended and details have been taken and dealt with through the use of Community Protection Notice Warning's (CPNW's). There have been a number of designated ASB patrols that have been set up to tackle these issues which will continue throughout the summer.
- There have been two Bike Marking and Van Alarm events held at Sainsbury's Swadlincote during April and June.

- Nuisance motorbikes have been an issue throughout the district. Operation BRESCO has now been set up in order to try and tackle the problem. Members of the Public are encouraged to get in touch with Crime Stoppers and a £1000 reward is on offer for information which leads to a successful conviction. The campaign also invites motorists to upload dash-cam footage of nuisance motorbikes to the Derbyshire capture website (<https://snap.derbyshire.police.uk/>).
- Derbyshire Alert is a community messaging system that covers the whole of Derbyshire where you can receive news, appeals, local crime information and crime prevention advice directly to your email. Registering with the site is completely free.
- Social Media is being used to engage with the local community. Please however do not use this to report crime.
- There is a Safer Together event planned for Thursday 27th June 2019 between 10:00am and 1:00pm to be held at The Delph in Swadlincote.

A member of the public asked PC Stuart Kelly to quantify what is meant by 'up to strength'. PC Stuart Kelly advised that there will be one SNT Police Constable per area, so in total there will be six SNT PC's covering the whole of South Derbyshire plus a number of PCSO's.

Councillor Steve Taylor welcomed new Community Safety Enforcement Officer (CSEO) Max Boyce and went on to explain that the issue with problematic youths around Woodville Recreation Ground and the Goseley area continues to be a problem. There has been an installation of new play equipment at Woodville Recreation Ground and since then consistent vandalism and damage to the new equipment has occurred. Despite some good quality CCTV footage being passed to the Police the individuals in question remain a problem in the area.

PC Stuart Kelly advised that the incident in question was investigated by their reactive section and not the Safer Neighbourhood Team.

Councillor Malcolm Gee added that a small group raised £165k for the park and SDDC have provided funding for CCTV cameras yet kids dare not go on to play.

Claire Rawlins added that if Councillor Malcolm Gee has the names and images of the offenders in question that we can work with the Police and circulate the images to schools in order to identify the individuals concerned.

Councillor Steve Taylor responded to say that Woodville Parish Council has subsequently identified the individuals concerned yet is still waiting for those

individuals to be dealt with. The school is also keen to identify the individuals responsible.

ACTION: Communities Team to raise with Sargent Matt Haslam the issue of why the individuals responsible for the ASB around Woodville Recreation Ground have not been dealt with despite being provided with good quality CCTV evidence and report back.

A resident of Goseley added that she reported 10-12 youngsters racing around the car park during half-term as people were afraid that their cars were going to be damaged and that there was one individual that was particularly abusive, confrontational and frightening.

Councillor Malcolm Gee went on to say that parents are calling up to say that they will not allow their young children to go and play at the Woodville Recreation Ground in fear of the job culture and that urgent action from the Police is needed.

A member of the public asked if there have been any instances of properties being entered for the sole purpose of taking car keys. PC Stuart Kelly responded to say that they have had a few in the area but not many.

A resident of Wilmot Road raised an ongoing issue regarding HGV's using the road as a cut-through and excessive speeding.

PCSO Harriet Dunn advised that speeding issues should be reported directly to CREST.

PC Stuart Kelly asked if there is a 7.5 tonne limit on Wilmot Road which the resident in question confirmed there was and suggested that if registrations can be obtained that the Police would try and take a look into it and would also try and conduct some speed checks if and when resource allows.

Claire Rawlins advised that signage issues should be reported directly to DCC Highways Department.

ACTION: PC Stuart Kelly to conduct speed checks on Wilmot Road.

Councillor Steve Taylor raised complaints of speeding outside of Hartshorne School.

A resident of New Road raised concerns about the LED street lighting as the light is now concentrated to the middle of the road rather than lighting up the

whole road and within one week of the new lights going up there was an attempted break in to a neighbour's car.

ACTION: Councillor Gary Musson to feedback issue raised in regard to LED street lighting to DCC and report back.

SA/3 **Safer South Derbyshire Partnership update and Safer Neighbourhood grants**

Claire Rawlins provided the following update: -

- The Swadlincote Town Centre Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) that was put in place three years ago is due to expire in September this year. Since the PSPO was put in place ASB numbers in the Town Centre have dropped and the Police are in full support of it. In order to get the PSPO renewed for a further three years a consultation process has to be followed. Consultation letters and forms can be found at the front of the room if people could please take one and return by post/ email or by dropping it off at the Council offices.
- 'Your Choice' events have been taking place in secondary schools across the district, coordinated by Derbyshire Police. Talks around gangs and knife crime are given by experts. These events have gone down extremely well with the schools involved and pupils have been completely engrossed.
- Flyer drops have taken place in regard to nuisance motorbikes around the main problematic areas to encourage people to report and successful enforcement action has been taken against one of the many people that have been causing issues.
- Safer Neighbourhood Grants – there is currently £4,000 available for the community to spend on projects which help to reduce crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour in the area. Gresley Old Hall have submitted an application for two Mosquito alarms to discourage youths under the age of 21 from loitering around the building out of hours. The total amount requested is £950 towards a total cost of £1275. All were in favour of approving this application.

ACTION: Communities Team to provide feedback in regard to the impact of the Mosquito alarms on ASB at Gresley Old Hall.

SA/4 **Local authority issues**

Kevin Stackhouse updated that Rink Drive has now been resurfaced.

Councillor Steve Taylor raised concerns around the recent presentation made by Howarth in regard to the Swadlincote Regeneration bid. The proposals put forward by Howarth were for significantly more houses than originally discussed and the feedback from residents following the presentation is that they want to see the original intent of the regeneration delivered.

In respect to the Heritage of the Town, a member of the public asked whether something could be done about the clock on Dinnis's. According to a gentleman who has spoken to Mr Dinnis some of the internal parts of the clock would cost a fortune to replace. However, the inside workings of the clock could be electrified so that the clock could be set and controlled by a separate clock located either inside of the shop or in a locked box outside of the shop.

ACTION: Kevin Stackhouse to look into whether there is any funding available to restore Dinnis's clock in the Town Centre and report back.

A member of the public raised an issue of two large hanging branches located between the Ski Centre and Morrisons.

ACTION: Communities Team to look into concerns that were raised about large overhanging branches between the Ski Centre and Morrisons and report back.

A member of the public raised that there is no signage in respect to the cycle path to the rear of the Fire Station along Midland Road.

Councillor Neil Tilley raised concerns regarding overhanging trees in Springfield Road. The branches are dangerously obstructing the view of people coming out of their drives and also junctions.

ACTION: County Councillors to take back issues regarding missing cycle path signage on Midland Road and overhanging trees along Springfield Road to DCC and report back.

A member of the public raised concerns over vehicle pollution on Swadlincote High Street.

Councillor Steve Taylor added that the pollution level is monitored by the Environmental Health Team and requested a report be provided at the next Area Forum meeting.

ACTION: Councillor Gordon Rhind to liaise with Environmental Health in regard to concerns over vehicle pollution in High Street and Civic Way and report back.

SA/5 **Local community and voluntary sector projects/ update**

Citizens Advice Presentation

Greg Stenson gave a short presentation in respect to the Gambling Support Service offered by the CAB followed by a brief question and answer session.

In brief, the project aims to help minimise the impacts of gambling-related harm across the East Midlands. The service will involve face-to-face appointments with clients who suffer from harmful gambling, as well as promoting a public- health approach in order to help other organisations identify and intervene at an early stage.

Councillor Linda Chilton queried whether there is a specific type of gambling that is particularly prevalent amongst young people.

ACTION: Greg Stenson to look into whether there is a specific type of gambling that is particularly prevalent amongst young people and report back.

CVS update

Liz Gumbley provided a brief introduction to South Derbyshire CVS and the services it offers.

Support services currently offered by CVS include the following: -

- Provide support to help develop/ fund community projects and ideas.
- Volunteer services.
- Advice on how to stay safe.
- Signposting.
- Food bank and Community fridge.
- Training – for groups and organisations that work in the charitable and voluntary sectors and want to gain some further skills.
- Active travel – Community transport.
- Befriending champions.

SA/6 Summary of any agreed priorities / actions

- Communities Team to raise with Sargent Matt Haslam the issue of why the individuals responsible for the ASB around Woodville Recreation Ground have not been dealt with despite being provided with good quality CCTV evidence and report back.
- PC Stuart Kelly to conduct speed checks on Wilmot Road.
- Councillor Gary Musson to feedback issue raised in regard to LED street lighting to DCC and report back.
- Communities Team to provide feedback in regard to the impact of the Mosquito alarms on ASB at Gresley Old Hall.
- Kevin Stackhouse to look into whether there is any funding available to restore Dinnis's clock in the Town Centre and report back.
- Communities Team to look into concerns that were raised about large overhanging branches between the Ski Centre and Morrisons and report back.
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- Councillor Gordon Rhind to liaise with Environmental Health in regard to concerns over vehicle pollution in High Street and Civic Way and report back.
- Greg Stenson to look into whether there is a specific type of gambling that is particularly prevalent amongst young people and report back.

SA/7 Close and date of next meeting

Tuesday, October 8, 2019 at Sharpe's Pottery Museum.

Councillor Gordon Rhind

CHAIR

The meeting terminated at 7:40pm

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Woodville)

Tuesday, October 8, 2019

REPORT BACK ON ISSUES RAISED AT THE LAST MEETING

At the last Swadlincote Area Forum, held on Tuesday, June 18, 2019 at Woodville Methodist Church, the following issues were raised and a progress report is provided.

1. Woodville Recreation Ground

Councillor Steve Taylor raised an issue in regard to problematic youths around Woodville Recreation Ground and the Goseley area. Over the past couple of months there has been installation of new play equipment at Woodville Recreation Ground and since then consistent vandalism and damage to the new equipment has occurred. However, despite good quality CCTV footage being passed to the Police the individuals in question remain a problem in the area.

ACTION: Communities Team to raise with Sargent Matt Haslam the issue of why the individuals responsible for the ASB around Woodville Recreation Ground have not been dealt with despite being provided with good quality CCTV evidence and report back.

PCSO Harriet Dunn updated that following the last Swadlincote Area Forum meeting CCTV was collected and shared with local secondary schools for identification purposes. There were three individuals that could not be identified. The other seven individuals were visited along with their parents at their homes and received Community Protection Notice Warnings and completed a litter pick and fence wash at Woodville park as an outcome for the Restorative Justice.

2. Wilmot Road – Excessive speeding

A resident of Wilmot Road raised an ongoing issue regarding HGV's using the road as a cut-through and excessive speeding.

ACTION: PC Stuart Kelly to conduct speed checks on Wilmot Road.

PC Stuart Kelly advised that he spent an hour at the top end of Wilmot Road on Friday, August 30, 2019 between 10:40-11:40am and no vehicles exceeded the 30mph speed limit.

3. LED Street Lighting

A resident of New Road raised concerns about the LED street lighting as the light is now concentrated to the middle of the road rather than lighting up the whole road and within one week of the new lights going up there was an attempted break in to a neighbour's car.

ACTION: Councillor Gary Musson to feedback issue raised in regard to LED street lighting to DCC and report back.

Councillor Gary Musson to provide a verbal update.

Derbyshire County Council have stated there are several benefits of LED street lights:

- *LED lights are expected to last for 100,000 hours or 20 to 25 years allowing for 10% failures. This is much longer than the 15,000 to 20,000 hours - or 3 to 4 years - of other street lights, so we'll benefit from lower maintenance costs.*
- *There are big energy savings of around 60% in comparison with traditional street lights.*
- *They make colours look more natural. And LED street lights provide better facial recognition for security and CCTV cameras.*
- *Unlike traditional lights in Derbyshire, LEDs can be dimmed when light is not needed, resulting in additional energy savings.*
- *LEDs don't contain the harmful chemicals found in traditional lights such as mercury and sodium. They don't emit any ultraviolet or infrared light and will be 100% recyclable.*
- *There are fewer lamp changes than with traditional lights which means less waste, reduced fuel used to service the lights and reduced congestion through fewer roadworks.*
- *LEDs emit light in a specific direction, which is aimed at providing uniform lighting, meaning there is less wasted light.*

Any queries regarding LED Street lighting can be made on line at DCC website, just search for LED Lighting at www.derbyshire.gov.uk.

4. Mosquito Alarms

Gresley Old Hall submitted an application for two Mosquito alarms to discourage youths under the age of 21 from loitering around the building out of hours.

ACTION: Communities Team to provide feedback at the next meeting in regard to the impact of the Mosquito alarms on Anti-Social Behaviour at Gresley Old Hall.

Feedback from Gresley Old Hall is that the latest mosquitos use a 24v rather than the 12v power supply used with the original version and this makes them considerably more powerful. The protective cage is also more robust than the first version. There is still a problem of youths loitering from time to time but not around the bowling centre which now has an alarm sited above the main entrance and also on the far side where an attempt was made to set fire to a fire door a few months ago.

5. Town Heritage – Dinnis’s Clock

A member of the public asked whether something could be done about the clock on Dinnis’s. According to a gentleman who has spoken to Mr Dinnis some of the internal parts of the clock would cost a fortune to replace. However, the inside workings of the clock could be electrified so that the clock could be set and controlled by a separate clock located either inside of the shop or in a locked box outside of the shop. Also, the brackets of the clock require attention as the clock is a considerable weight and they are becoming rather rusty.

ACTION: Kevin Stackhouse to look into whether there is any funding available to restore Dinnis’s clock in the Town Centre and report back.

Kevin Stackhouse advised that both the Council and the Magic Attic have tried to secure funding in the past but have been unsuccessful due to the status of the clock itself, together with ownership issues.

The Council’s Conservation Officer commented as follows: -

“I’ve been down to the High Street and taken a look, I’ve also been able to find an old photograph which shows that the current clock and bracket is not the same as the one that was in place c.1905 – the design of the clock body is different but so is the design of the mounting bracket, the fixing points of the old brackets can actually be seen just below the existing. It’s of some age certainly but it isn’t the clock that was on the building 100 years ago. I would suspect that it already is an electrically operated clock. There appears to be some damage to the boxing of the bracket which carries the name “Dinnis” however this is just a cladding and not the structural support.

Fundamentally its private property and the owner would be liable for any damage caused if it is poorly maintained, but there doesn’t appear to be any damage with the bracket, all bolts are in place and appear flush with the backing plate and there is no sign of damage or deterioration to the surrounding masonry. I’m not an engineer or surveyor but there isn’t anything to suggest that there is any reason to suspect that using public funds to carry out a survey would be justified. Most clocks aren’t removed because they become dangerous but to remove a liability.

I’ve had a look at a few charitable directories (funds for historic buildings etc.) and for possible sources of grants for a one off repair of the clock. There is one possible option in the form of the Pilgrim Trust which offers grants for “Preservation of and repairs to historic buildings and architectural features”. I doubt they would fund simply making the clock operable if it is otherwise sound, but if there are also structural concerns and the clock is at risk of loss as a notable feature of the townscape then they would be a potential option.

However, given that the clock is at best Edwardian and most probably more recent than that I doubt we could make a convincing case, although as the only example in the town we might gain some traction.

The trouble is some kind of structural assessment would need to be undertaken to determine whether or not there is any risk of failure first, and if there is a risk of failure then if funding cannot be secured in short order there will be great pressure to remove the clock. Trying to repair it could end up spurring its loss.”

6. Overhanging Branches

A member of the public raised an issue of two large overhanging branches located between the Ski Centre and Morrisons.

ACTION: Communities Team to look into concerns that were raised about large overhanging branches between the Ski Centre and Morrisons and report back.

Further investigation into the issue raised resulted in the conclusion that the trees in question do not currently present a hazard to either pedestrians or road users. However, as these particular trees border an adopted highway, they will be a Derbyshire County Council responsibility if they become a hazard to users of the highway.

7. Midland Road – Cycle Path Signage/ Springfield Road – Overhanging Trees

A member of the public raised that there is no signage in respect to the cycle path to the rear of the Fire Station along Midland Road.

Councillor Neil Tilley raised concerns regarding overhanging trees in Springfield Road. The branches are dangerously obstructing the view of people coming out of their drives and also junctions.

ACTION: County Councillors to take back issues regarding missing cycle path signage on Midland Road and overhanging trees along Springfield Road to DCC and report back.

Councillor Gary Musson to provide a verbal update at the meeting.

8. High Street - Vehicle Pollution

Members of the public raised concerns over vehicle pollution in Swadlincote High Street and Civic Way. Councillor Steve Taylor added that the pollution level is monitored by the Environmental Health Team and requested a report be provided at the next Area Forum meeting.

ACTION: Councillor Gordon Rhind to liaise with Environmental Health in regard to concerns over vehicle pollution in High Street and Civic Way and report back.

Matt Holford, Head of Environmental Services provided the following update: -

“The Council has a legal duty under the Environment Act 1995 to carry out annual review and assessments of air quality across its entire administrative area.

Where air quality is found to be either breaching, or likely to be breaching EU Air Quality Limit Values for the most common air pollutants the Council has a legal duty to declare an Air Quality Management Area, and therefore to publish an Air Quality Management Plan to show how it will take all reasonable steps to make sure that the Air Quality Limit Values are being met.

To support these assessments the Council has operated a network of about 20 monitoring locations across the District over the last decade or so.

I'm pleased to report that we've never identified any breaches of any of the Limit Values with in South Derbyshire. Never the less there is growing evidence that since the Limit Values were set, the health impacts of air quality may be more significant than originally suspected. Therefore we continue to work very hard to make sure that air quality in South Derbyshire not only remains below the Limit Values, but that it continues to improve"

A copy of the most recent Annual Status Report covering data obtained over the calendar year 2018 can be found on the SDDC website: -

<https://www.southderbyshire.gov.uk/our-services/environment/pollution/air-quality>

9. Gambling

Councillor Linda Chilton queried whether there is a specific type of gambling that is particularly prevalent amongst young people.

ACTION: Greg Stenson to look into whether there is a specific type of gambling that is particularly prevalent amongst young people and report back.

Greg Stenson, Gambling Support Project Worker for the Citizens Advice South Derbyshire & City provided the following update: -

"There is a break-down in types of gambling undertaken by young people aged between 11-16.

The Gambling Commission published a report on young people and gambling last year, here are some of the interesting stats:

31% of a sample group have paid to unlock an item on their console game (again, this links back to where gambling stems from amongst young people and blurred boundary between gaming and gambling).

66% saw gambling on TV, 59% saw gambling on social media. This largely involved enticing customers into free bets, and football bets (e.g. 'player X' to score first and Derby to win 2-0 etc.).

Private bets between friends were also common (10%).

Surprisingly, fruit machines were very low (only 3%)"

Debbie Ward
Service Assistant
South Derbyshire District Council

AREA 4 – Useful Contacts

Safer South Derbyshire Partnership

Chris Smith	01283 595924	chris.smith@southderbyshire.gov.uk
Safer Homes Security Scheme (Provided by CVS)	01283 219761	projectsupport@sdcvs.org.uk

Chair of Area Forum Group

Councillor Gordon Rhind (Church Gresley)	01283 229121/ 07866 780686	gordon.rhind@southderbyshire.gov.uk
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District Council

South Derbyshire District Council (General Enquiries)	01283 221000	customer.services@southderbyshire.gov.uk
Anti-Social Behaviour Helpline	01283 221000	community.safety@southderbyshire.gov.uk

Clean Team (To report an incident of illegally dumped waste or a dead animal); examples of illegally dumped waste include fly-tipping, dog fouling, syringes, litter, graffiti or hazardous substances

01283 595795	waste.cleansing@southderbyshire.gov.uk
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Community Safety Enforcement Officers (To report a person or persons responsible for any of the above)

01283 221000	environmental.health@southderbyshire.gov.uk
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District Councillors

Councillor Gordon Rhind (Church Gresley)	01283 229121/ 07866 780686	gordon.rhind@southderbyshire.gov.uk
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Councillor Malcolm Gee (Woodville)	01283 350421/ 07901 685125	malcolm.gee@southderbyshire.gov.uk
Councillor Stephen Taylor (Woodville)	01283 223567	stephen.taylor@southderbyshire.gov.uk

County Council

Civil Parking Enforcement	01629 533190	contactcentre@derbyshire.gov.uk
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Highways Department (To report potholes, find road closures, pay a parking fine, find bus and train timetables or apply for a Gold Card travel pass)

01629 533190	highways.hub@derbyshire.gov.uk
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County Councillors

Councillor Gary Musson (Swadlincote Central)	07970 741642	gary.musson@derbyshire.gov.uk
Councillor Sean Bambrick (Swadlincote North)	07969 145362	sean.bambrick@derbyshire.gov.uk
Councillor Stuart Swann (Swadlincote South)	01283 200872/ 07970 741687	stuart.swann@southderbyshire.gov.uk
Councillor Mrs Linda Chilton (Melbourne)	01332 695112/ 07969 145632	linda.chilton@derbyshire.gov.uk

Police

EMERGENCY CONTACT ONLY	999	
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Non-Emergency	101 or online	www.derbyshire.police.uk/ro/report/ocr/ocr-bridge/report-crime/
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Non-Emergency SMS Service (for deaf and hard of hearing only)	07800 002414	
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Inspector Kate Bateman

Sgt David Walker - Safer Neighbourhood Team

PCSO Supervisor Kerry Wallington-Waite - Safer Neighbourhood Team

Crimestoppers

0800 555 111	
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south.neighbourhoods@derbyshire.pnn.police.uk

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kerry.wallington-waite.4469@derbyshire.pnn.police.uk

www.crimestoppers-uk.org

Websites & Social Media

Safer South Derbyshire Partnership Facebook Page

South Derbyshire District Council

Safer & Stronger Neighbourhoods Funding Application

Report Anti-Social Behaviour, Fly-Tipping, Littering etc. to SDDC	Via online reporting form	
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Neighbourhood Watch

Report Vehicles Breaching Weight Restrictions to DCC	Via online reporting form	
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Current and Planned Roadworks

Derbyshire Constabulary

Police (Safer Neighbourhood Team - Area 1) Twitter Page

Report Non-Emergency Crime to Derbyshire Constabulary

Report Non-Emergency Crime to Derbyshire Constabulary

Ask the Police

Crime Statistics (for your area)

Report Speeding to CREST

Report Fraud

Via Twitter page

Via Twitter page

Via Facebook page

Via online reporting form

0300 123 2040	
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www.southderbyshire.gov.uk

www.southderbyshire.gov.uk/our-services/crime-and-community-safety/safer-neighbourhoods

www.southderbyshire.gov.uk/our-services/crime-and-community-safety

www.ourwatch.org.uk

www.derbyshire.gov.uk/business/trading-standards/weight-restrictions/weight-restrictions.aspx

https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/transport-roads/roads-traffic/roadworks/roadworks.aspx

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www.facebook.com/derbyshireconstabulary/

www.askthe.police.uk

www.police.uk

www.crestderbyshire.org

www.actionfraud.police.uk