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Date: 23 September 2014

Dear Councillor,

Council

A Meeting of the **Council** will be held in the **Council Chamber**, on **Thursday, 25 September 2014 at 18:00**. You are requested to attend.

Yours faithfully,

Chief Executive

To:- **Conservative Group**

Councillor Murray (Chairman) Councillor Atkin (Vice-Chairman) and Councillors Bale, Mrs. Brown, Ford, Mrs. Hall, Harrison, Hewlett, Mrs. Hood, Jones, Lemmon, Mrs. Patten, Mrs. Plenderleith, Roberts, Smith, Stanton, Mrs. Watson, Watson and Wheeler.

Labour Group

Councillors Bambrick, Bell, Chahal, Dunn, Frost, Mrs. Heath, Mrs. Mead, Mulgrew, Pearson, Rhind, Richards, Shepherd, Southerd, Stuart, Taylor, Tilley, and Wilkins.



AGENDA

Open to Public and Press

- 1** Apologies.
- 2** Presentation by the Chairman of the Council to Eileen Banton & Graham Nutt.
- 3** To confirm the Open Minutes of the Meeting held on 3rd July 2014.

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- 4** To receive any declarations of interest arising from any items on the Agenda.
- 5** To receive any announcements from the Chairman, Leader and Head of Paid Service.
- 6** To receive any questions by members of the public pursuant to Council Procedure Rule No.10.
- 7** To receive any questions by Members of the Council pursuant to Council procedure Rule No. 11.
- 8** LOCAL GOVERNMENT OMBUDSMAN - ANNUAL REVIEW. **13 - 17**
- 9** Annual Report 2014/15 **18 - 37**
- 10** To receive and consider the Open reports of the following Committees:-

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Exclusion of the Public and Press:

The Chairman may therefore move:-

That in accordance with Section 100 (A) of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraph of Part I of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in the header to each report on the Agenda.

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| 14 | To confirm the Exempt Minutes of the Meeting of Annual Council held on 3rd July 2014.
Exempt Minutes (CL/39 - CL/40) | |
| 15 | To receive any questions by Members of the Council pursuant to Council procedure Rule No. 11. | |

- 16** To receive and consider the Exempt reports of the following Committees:-
- Planning Committee 25.06.2014 PL/11
 - Finance & Management Committee 26.06.2014 FM/25 - FM/26
 - Planning Committee 15.07.2014 PL/26 - PL/28
 - Planning Committee 05.08.2014 PL/36 - PL/37
 - Environmental & Development Svcs Committee 21.08.2014 EDS/27 - EDS/28
 - Planning Committee 26.08.2014 PL/50
 - Housing & Community Services Committee 28.08.2014 HCS/25 - HCS/26
 - Finance & Management Committee 04.09.2014 FM/46 - FM/50



MINUTES of the MEETING of the
SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL
held at the Civic Offices, Civic Way, Swadlincote
on Thursday 3rd July 2014
at 6.00 p.m.

PRESENT:-

Conservative Group

Councillor Murray (Chairman), Councillor Atkin (Vice Chairman) and Councillors Bale, Mrs. Brown, Ford, Mrs. Hall, Harrison, Hewlett, Mrs. Hood, Jones, Mrs. Patten, Mrs. Plenderleith, Roberts, Smith, Stanton, Mrs. Watson, Watson and Wheeler.

Labour Group

Councillors Bambrick, Bell, Chahal, Dunn, Frost, Mrs. Heath, Mrs. Mead, Mulgrew, Pearson, Rhind, Shepherd, Southerd, Stuart, Taylor, Tilley and Wilkins.

CL/22 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillors Lemmon (Conservative Group) and Councillor Richards (Labour Group).

CL/23 **MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL COUNCIL**

The Open Minutes of the Annual Council held on 15th May 2014 (Minute Nos. CL/1 – CL/19) were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

CL/24 **MINUTES OF THE CIVIC COUNCIL**

The Open Minutes of the Civic Council held on 29th May 2014 (Minute Nos. CC/1 – CC/5) were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

CL/25 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Vice-Chairman of the Council, Councillor Atkin, declared an interest in relation to Item 13 and made it clear that he would leave the meeting when this item was considered. No other declarations of interest were received.

CL/26 **ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN, LEADER AND HEAD OF THE PAID SERVICE**

The Chairman of the Council, Councillor Murray, listed the events that he had attended since his election to the post in May. Many of these events, he explained, had been within the District and involved local communities. They included the recent festival of leisure as well as a meeting with the League of Friends and the Dancing in the Forest event.

The Leader of the Council, Councillor Wheeler, informed the meeting that Dr Sophie Churchill was leaving the National Forest Company at the end of the year. Councillor Wheeler, praised Dr Churchill for her work and the way in which she had co-operated closely with the Council.

The Chief Executive reminded Council that a strike involving local government and other public sector workers had been called for the 10th July. He also informed the meeting of a potentially significant new redevelopment, which could generate significant additional income to help fund new sports and golf course leisure facilities within the district.

CL/27 **QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 10**

Council was informed that no questions had been received.

CL/28 **QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 11**

Council was informed that no questions had been received.

CL/29 **SEALED DOCUMENTS**

RESOLVED:-

That the Sealed Documents listed, for which there is no specific authority, be duly authorised.

CL/30 **OPEN REPORTS**

Council received and considered the open minutes of its committees.

RESOLVED:-

That the open minutes of the following Committees be approved as a true record:-

Licensing & Appeals Sub-Committee 12.05.2014 (LA/41-LA47)

Planning Committee 13.05.14 (PL/106-PL/118)

Overview & Scrutiny Committee 14.05.2014 (OS/29-OS/33)

Finance & Management Committee (special) 20.05.2014 (FM/01-FM03)

Environmental and Development Services 05.06.2014 (EDS/01-EDS/10)

Housing & Community Services Committee 12.06.2014 (HCS/01-HCS/10)

Finance & Management Committee 19.06.2014 (FM/05-FM/18)

CL/31 **THE COMPOSITION OF COMMITTEES, SUB-COMMITTEES & WORKING PANELS FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR**

Council was informed that no changes had been made to the composition of committees, sub-committees and working panels since its last meeting.

CL/32 **COMPOSITION OF SUBSTITUTE PANELS**

Councillor Southerd on behalf of the Labour Group informed the meeting that Councillor Wilkins had been replaced as a substitute member of the Planning Committee by Councillor Mulgrew. He also stated that Councillors Shepherd had ceased to be a substitute members of the Finance & Management Committee and been replaced by Councillor Chahal.

CL/33 **REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES**

Councillor Wheeler on behalf of the Conservative Group informed the meeting that Councillor Mrs Hood would replace Councillor Murray on the 'People Express' group.

CL/34 **LOCAL PLAN PART ONE**

Councillor Atkin left the meeting at this point. The Council considered a report which set out the latest position on the Local Plan (part one) for the District. This asked members to decide whether to submit the plan to the Secretary of State, subject to the proposed modifications that were explained at the meeting.

Members received a presentation on the Local Plan (part one). This would, it was explained, set out strategic allocations and key development management policies. The second part of the plan would set out the location of new educational facilities, non-strategic allocations and the remaining development management policies. Members were reminded that extensive consultation had already taken place on the local plan and that the Council had worked closely with Derby City Council and Amber Valley Borough Council to ensure a joined-up approach. The meeting was told that the three authorities were now in different positions and that Amber Valley had already submitted their plan to the Secretary of State. However, further action on this plan had been suspended in order to allow that council to consider the inclusion of further new housing to meet the accommodation requirements of the City of Derby.

Members were told that South Derbyshire had already made provision within its own plan to accommodate 70% of Derby's excess housing growth. The report warned that it might become harmful if this District was to make further allocations to meet the housing needs of the city, as they would probably be in unsustainable locations and not supported by the required infrastructure. For this reason, members were asked to approve the first option in the report, to submit the Local Plan (part one) to the Secretary of State, without any changes to include additional accommodation.

The Chief Executive advised that if the Council was to submit the Local Plan (part one) to the Secretary of State without any additional changes, it should emphasise to him that it had discharged fully its duty to co-operate with its neighbours and that the authority had already gone a long way towards meeting the additional accommodation requirements of Derby.

During the subsequent discussion, the Chairman of the Environment & Development Services Committee, Councillor Watson, congratulated the officers on the excellent work that had been carried out to prepare the Plan. He agreed that the Council had carried out its duty to co-operate very effectively and felt that this point should be made to ministers.

Councillor Southerd, on behalf of the Labour Group also expressed his thanks to the officers for their efforts. He made it clear that although he and his colleagues supported the Council's position, that no additional housing should be included in the Local Plan (part one), he made it clear that his group had important reservations about the proposed development sites, which in many instances they regarded as unsuitable for local communities. For this reason his group would not be prepared to support the plan.

At the conclusion of the discussion members considered the motion that the Council adopt 'Option One' in the report, to submit the Local Plan (part one), that as part of this no further housing increase be accepted and that the Secretary of State be informed of how the Council had discharged fully its duty to co-operate.

Labour members requested that a recorded vote be taken on the motion.

The members who voted for the motion were: Councillors Murray, Bale, Mrs. Brown, Ford, Mrs. Hall, Harrison, Hewlett, Councillor Mrs. Hood, Jones, Mrs. Patten, Mrs. Plenderleith, Roberts, Smith, Stanton, Mrs. Watson, Watson and Wheeler.

The members who voted against the motion were: Councillors Bambrick, Bell, Chahal, Dunn, Frost, Mrs. Heath, Mrs. Mead, Mulgrew, Pearson, Rhind, Shepherd, Southerd, Stuart, Taylor, Tilley and Wilkins.

RESOLVED:-

That the Council adopt 'Option One' in the report, to submit the Local Plan (part one) to the Secretary of State and that as part of this no further housing increase be accepted. That the Secretary of State be informed of how the Council had discharged fully its duty to co-operate in preparing the Local Plan (part one).

CL/35 **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT [ACCESS TO INFORMATION] ACT 1985)**

RESOLVED:-

That in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined under the paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act as indicated in the reports of Committees.

CL/36 **EXEMPT MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL COUNCIL**

The Exempt Minutes of the Annual Council, held on 15th May 2014 (Minute Nos. CL/20 – CL/21) were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

CL/37 **EXEMPT QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NUMBER 11**

Council was informed that no questions had been received.

CL/38 **EXEMPT REPORTS**

Council received and considered the exempt minutes of its committees.

RESOLVED:-

That the exempt minutes of the following committees be approved as a true record:-

Planning Committee 13.05.2014 (PL/119)

Finance & Management Committee 20.05.2014 (FM/04)

Environmental & Development Services Committee 05.06.2014 (EDS/11-EDS 12)

Housing & Community Services Committee 12.06.2014 (HCS/11)

Finance & Management Committee 19.06.2014 (FM/19)

The meeting terminated at 7.15pm

Councillor P. Murray

CHAIRMAN

REPORT TO:	COUNCIL	AGENDA ITEM: 8
DATE OF MEETING:	25TH SEPTEMBER 2014	CATEGORY: DELEGATED
REPORT FROM:	CHIEF EXECUTIVE	OPEN
MEMBERS' CONTACT POINT:	FRANK McARDLE CHIEF EXECUTIVE (EXT. 5702)	DOC
SUBJECT:	LOCAL GOVERNMENT OMBUDSMAN – ANNUAL REVIEW LETTER 2014 AND UPDATE ON RECENT DEVELOPMENTS TO THE OMBUDSMAN SERVICE	TERMS OF REF: G, FM 11
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL	

1.0 Recommendations

1.1 To accept the Local Government Ombudsman's Annual Review Letter 2014.

2.0 Purpose of Report

2.1 This report will provide Members with a summary of complaints made to the Local Government Ombudsman ("LGO") against this Authority during the year 2013/14.

2.2 It will also bring Members up to date on developments in the LGO service.

3.0 Detail

3.1 On 7th July 2014, the Council received the Annual Review Letter for the period 2013/14 and a summary of statistics on complaints.

3.2 The Ombudsman's Office made decisions on 8 complaints about the Council in 2013/14. Of these complaints, 4 were closed after initial enquiries, 2 were referred back to the Council for local resolution, advice was given to 1 complainant, and 1 complaint was upheld and resolved.

3.3 The LGO does not provide any detailed information about the statistics and, therefore, in order to provide some background information for Members, the Council's LGO Link Officer has produced a table of complaint decisions, which is attached at **Annexe 'A'**. This provides a breakdown of the type of complaints received and a summary of the decisions.

LGO Developments

Change to description of complaint decisions

- 3.4 In April 2014, the LGO changed how it classifies the results of complaints. Decisions are now described in terms of upholding and not upholding complaints, which brings the LGO closer in practice with how other Ombudsman schemes and many local authorities describe their decisions.

Local Government Report

- 3.5 This year, the publication of the Annual Review Letters coincides with the publication of an in-depth report reviewing the last year in local government complaints. A summary of complaint statistics for every local authority in England is included in the report. This approach is in response to feedback from Councils who told the LGO they wanted to be able to compare their performance with other authorities. The LGO aim to make the report an annual publication.
<http://www.lgo.org.uk/news/2014/jul/ombudsman-publishes-local-authority-complaint-statistics-new-report/>

The Regulators' Code – Local Authority Complaints Processes

- 3.6 The new Regulators' Code came into force on 6th April 2014. The Code sets out the Government's expectations in respect of the provision by local authorities of clear and accessible complaints and appeals processes, for use by businesses and others that they regulate.
<http://www.lgo.org.uk/news/2014/mar/better-regulation-delivery-office-local-government-ombudsman-encourage-easier-complaints-appeals-procedures-business/>

Future of the Local Government Ombudsman

- 3.7 At the end of March 2014, one of the two Local Government Ombudsmen (Anne Seex) retired. Following an independent review of the governance of the LGO last year, the Government has committed to formalising a single ombudsman structure at LGO.
- 3.8 There has been much discussion in Parliament and elsewhere about the effectiveness of complaints handling in the public sector and the role of ombudsmen. The remaining Local Government Ombudsman (Dr Jane Martin) supports the creation of a single ombudsman for all public services in England, as she considers this is the best way to deliver a system of redress that is accessible for users, provides an effective and comprehensive service, and ensures that services are accountable locally. Consultation with stakeholders on the way forward will take place in the coming months.

4.0 Financial Implications

- 4.1 None directly arising from this report.

5.0 Corporate Implications

5.1 A good complaints system is an opportunity for the Council to show that it cares about providing a good service, and that it genuinely values feedback on whether there are any problems which need attention. It is, therefore, imperative that we get feedback, not only through our own complaints system, but also from the Ombudsman, and that this information is widely distributed to show that this Authority takes complaints seriously and deals with them sympathetically.

6.0 Community Implications

6.1 One of the roles of the Local Government Ombudsman is to investigate complaints about Councils from members of the public. Its aim is to get Councils to put things right if they have gone wrong and if this has affected members of the public directly.

7.0 Conclusion

7.1 The Annual Review Letter, the Local Government Report and the publishing of complaint decisions on the LGO website are useful additions to other information held by the Council, highlighting how people experience or perceive its services. They should also be seen as an opportunity to continue to improve the services offered by the Council.

8.0 Background Papers

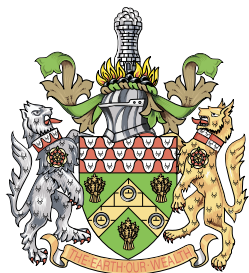
- Annual Review Letter 2014 from the Local Government Ombudsman
- LGO Link Newsletter (January 2014)
- LGO Link Newsletter (July 2014)

COUNCIL 25TH SEPT ITEM 8 - ANNEXE 'A'

LOCAL GOVERNMENT OMBUDSMAN

COMPLAINT DECISIONS 2013/14

Category	Summary of Decision	Decision			
		Upheld (following investigation)	Advice Given	Closed after initial enquiries	Referred back for local resolution
Corporate & Other Services	Complainant believed the Council may have taken part of his land following refurbishment work at a neighbouring Council property. LGO did not investigate because it is outside the Ombudsman's jurisdiction. It is a legal dispute and only the courts can determine these issues.			✓	
Planning & Development	LGO decided not to investigate a complaint about how the Council considered objections to a planning application because it was more than 12 months old. The LGO also considered there was insufficient evidence of fault by the Council to investigate an associated complaint that the house, as built, deviated from the approved plans.			✓	
Housing	Complaint that Council workmen had demolished a brick outbuilding attached to the complainant's property without asking permission and had damaged a boundary wall. LGO did not investigate because claims about damage to property can only be resolved by insurers or the courts.			✓	
Housing	LGO had discontinued her investigation into a complaint about a transfer application as the complainant had withdrawn her complaint.			✓	
Planning & Development	Complaint regarding a Tree Preservation Order referred back to the Council for consideration through its own complaints procedure.				✓
Housing	Complainant raised various issues about repairs which the Ombudsman considered needed to be raised directly with the Council.				✓
Not Applicable to LGO	No details given, but this may be because the complainant has been advised to contact another complaints handling organisation or advice agency		✓		
Planning & Development	LGO decided the Council should have published a plan showing changes to a proposed development near the complainant's home that affected her privacy. LGO stated Complainant would have doubts about whether the Council's decision may have been different if she had seen and objected to the plan. Council agreed to pay £150 to complainant as redress for this uncertainty and to take steps to alter reporting to prevent a similar error occurring in the future. However, it should be noted that the LGO did not find the Council would have refused permission if the complainant had objected. Page 16 of 129	✓			



**South
Derbyshire**
District Council

Annual Report 2013-2014





Welcome to the South Derbyshire District Council

South Derbyshire is a largely rural district, home to nearly a third of The National Forest.

The town of Swadlincote and a host of villages and hamlets including Melbourne, Hilton, Hatton, Repton, Coton in the Elms and Shardlow form a key part of the district's make up.

South Derbyshire has been the fastest growing district in Derbyshire for over two decades as the population has increased by 13,049 since the 2001 Census, an increase of 16%.

It has become a real success story.

The district covers an area of approximately 34,000 hectares (340 sq km) and has a population of 94,611.

South Derbyshire is home to over 5,000 businesses and has attracted three quarters of a billion pounds in inward investment over the past five years.

In April 2014, only 1.4% of the working population were unemployed. This is one of the lowest rates in Derbyshire (the county average is 2.1%) and significantly below the national average of 2.7%.

The new Business Advice Service assisted 200 existing businesses and entrepreneurs starting new enterprises.

It is painting a nice picture, isn't it? South Derbyshire is a success story that is receiving recognition too.

For the sixth successive year, Maurice Lea Memorial Park, in Church Gresley, won the prestigious Green Flag award.

The Council's Environmental Education Project achieved the Learning Outside the Classroom Quality Badge, demonstrating the delivery of high quality and safe learning experiences.

Our Housing Service has long been recognised as a leader in the sector in performance, customer outcomes and new initiatives.

For the tenth consecutive year there has been a reduction in crime and in anti-social behaviour during the year, making South Derbyshire one of the safest places in the county.

This is all helping the district to become an even more attractive place to live, work and visit.

South Derbyshire District Council works hard to ensure that every penny paid to the Council benefits local people.

This is our Annual Report to show you how we are doing our bit to make life better in South Derbyshire.



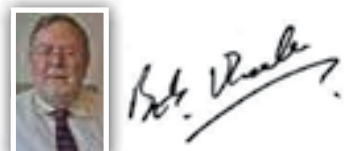
Annual Report

As you will read, we have worked closely with our partners to respond to residents' and local businesses needs.

We are committed to providing a wide range of value for money services, as this Annual Report details.

For the fourth year in succession, we have maintained a Council Tax freeze. We are all living in difficult financial times and do not want to add to the cost of household budgets. We continue to provide innovative and responsive services for the whole of our community, whilst keeping a firm grip on our finances.

As a District Council, our clear focus is on achieving the best for the people of South Derbyshire.



Bob Wheeler - Leader
South Derbyshire District Council



Frank McArdle - Chief Executive
South Derbyshire District Council



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Our V

- Put our customers first
- Set clear targets
- Act decisively
- Lead for success

What We Do

Promote and develop economic development, tourism, sport and leisure.

Collect household rubbish and continue to promote recycling.

Manage and maintain over 3,000 council homes and offer a homelessness prevention service to those in need.

Carry out street cleaning, pest control and work to prevent pollution.

Deal with planning applications, building regulations, tree preservation orders, listed buildings and heritage.

Work to ensure that the food and drink in restaurants, cafes and pubs is safe to consume.

Employ Safer Neighbourhood Wardens to make our communities cleaner and safer.

Provide a 24 hour, 365 days a year emergency Careline service.

Save money and the environment through energy efficiency schemes.

Support voluntary groups, cultural activities and crime prevention work.

Work with organisations on a wide variety of community projects for the benefit of residents.

Collect Council Tax, pay Housing Benefits and Council Tax Benefits.



Values

- Develop our people
- Treat people fairly
- Actively listen and resolve problems
- Maintain value for money through continuous improvement

Open for Business

This year has seen further expansion of the district's major employers, with the development of new facilities at the Nestlé coffee production factory in Hatton and booming sales at Toyota following the launch of the Auris Touring Sports model.

Government Minister, Chris Grayling MP, opened the new UK headquarters of the Keystone Group, in Swadlincote. The company made its name manufacturing and supplying insulated steel lintels to the British and Irish construction industries.

Nampak Plastics has increased its annual plastic bottle production at Dove Valley Park from 120 to 150 million, with bottles now fed directly into the adjacent dairy operated by Dairy Crest.

A further expansion of Hi Tech Fabrication at Bretby Business Park has taken its operations up to 86,000 sq ft. The company undertakes metal manufacture, fabrication and welding for various industries.

With the upturn in the economy, retail expansion has included a new Aldi supermarket at Hilton, a new Peacocks clothing store on Swadlincote High Street and a purpose-built new home for Massey's DIY and Gardening Store in Woodville.



Aston-on-Trent



Ann
Watson



Neil
Atkin



Peter
Watson



Benjamin
Stuart



Gordon
Rhind



Trevor
Southerd



John
Lemmon



Lisa
Brown



Andy
Roberts

Church Gresley

Etwall

Hatton

Linton

Melbourne

Midway

Newhall & Stanton



Bob
Wheeler



Charles
Jones



Jim
Hewlett



John
Harrison



John
Wilkins



Paul
Dunn



Robert
Pearson



Jean
Mead



Kevin
Richards

Get involved in the

Attending Council meetings

All the Council's committees report back to Full Council meetings where their work can be considered by every Elected Member.

If you would like to come to see a committee or the Full Council in action, you can find a full calendar of meetings, as well as agendas and the minutes which record what was decided, by visiting the Council and Democracy section of our website www.south-derbys.gov.uk.

Most of the meetings of the Council and its committees are open to the public. Occasionally some final agenda items are "exempt", which means that they can be discussed when only Councillors are present. Items are exempt due to specific legal and contractual reasons or where individuals are involved.

The Finance and Management Committee ensures that all Council services are organised and funded effectively and efficiently.

The Environmental and Development Services Committee, alongside the Housing and Community Services Committee, set out and monitor the work of Council staff to ensure the best possible services for the people of South Derbyshire.

The Council's Licensing and Appeals Committee handles licensing for entertainment, alcohol and private hire drivers as well as any appeals on employment issues by Council staff.

In 2013-2014 the Overview and Scrutiny Committee assisted the Finance and Management Committee to develop the Council's budget proposals and carried out an in depth analysis of crime and disorder, particularly in cases of domestic abuse.

The Planning Committee considers applications in relation to planning policy, the representations received from members of the public, consultation responses and the recommendations of the planning officer.

Tell us what you think

To tell us your opinions on Council services or how we have dealt with an issue, please contact Customer Services found on our website www.south-derbys.gov.uk

If you wish to make a complaint about a Councillor, please visit the Standards

Councillors

Key:
■ Conservative
■ Labour

Hilton



Amy Plenderleith



Julie Patten



Michael Bale



Michael Stanton



Peter Smith



Margaret Hall



Steven Frost



David Shepherd



Manjit Chahal

Repton

Seales

Stenson

Aston

Swadlincote

Willington & Findern

Woodville



Sean Bambrick



Mick Mulgrew



Neil Tilley



Yvonne Heath



Ann Hood



Martyn Ford



Pat Murray



Roy Bell



Steve Taylor

The Council's work

Having your say at Area Forums

At these local meetings, local people can raise local issues. You can get involved in the decision-making process, find out more about Council services, express any concerns you might have as well as put forward your own ideas to add to your sense of community.

The quarterly meetings are held at Etwall, Linton, Melbourne, Newhall, Repton and Swadlincote. Each starts with a Safer Neighbourhood meeting at 6:15pm, where community safety issues are discussed, with local Derbyshire Police Officers and Police Community Support Officers taking part.

Through the commitment of people who attended these meetings 20 local Safer Neighbourhoods projects have been funded in 2013/14 including; CCTV Cameras at Hilton, Lullington, Newhall, Overseal and Barrow, property marking kits to Weston on Trent, youth activities in Etwall and Aston, lighting at Gresley Old Hall, a community project at William Allitt School and security measures at community facilities in Netherseal and Aston.

There is a second meeting, beginning at 7.30pm, which is dedicated to District and County Council matters. Senior and specialist staff take part in the meetings, which are usually attended by District, County and Parish Councillors.

Every year at the Area Forums, local residents are involved in the deliberations about the rate at which council tax should be set. In 2013-2014 people at Area Forums had their say on how the new localised Council Tax Reduction scheme should be put into practice in South Derbyshire.

The dates of Area Forums, agendas and minutes can be found on our website www.south-derbys.gov.uk/areaforums

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Sustainable Growth and Opportunity - Working to strengthen S



Following a successful pilot in 2012/13, the **South Derbyshire Business Advice Service** has been extended and is now providing advice to new and existing businesses. A total of 72 firms received crucial support to help them flourish in just three months, while 36 newcomers were given assistance to get up and running. 100 per cent of the beneficiaries rated the service as good or excellent, showering the scheme with high praise.



The **Swadlincote Farmers' and Producers' Market** continues to go from strength to strength thanks to fun and varied themes, while a plant market has also become a popular fixture during the summer months. The traditional market also participated in '**Love Your Local Market**' in May, a national initiative designed to attract new stallholders. In December a combined general and farmers' market was held with fairground rides, food tastings and entertainment. This attracted over 70 stalls and a high level of footfall.



The first ever **Swadlincote Festival of Transport** was staged throughout the town centre in May. The event, led by the Rotary Club of Swadlincote and the Box Motor Club, attracted some 150 classic and contemporary vehicles and thousands of visitors.

The **National Forest Walking Festival 2013** returned in May, attracting funding from South Derbyshire District Council, The National Forest Company and Leicestershire County Council. Now in its sixth year, the Festival featured over 100 walks and the support of 40 partner organisations, together with significant media coverage. Despite poor weather the number of walkers was up an impressive 10% on 2012 at 1,459.

South Derbyshire's economy in a clean and sustainable environment

South Derbyshire has been named as one of the best locations in the country for attracting inward investment and creating jobs. The district's expanding economy and ever growing potential was heralded by specialist publication the Municipal Journal.

A Youth Training Fair at Swadlincote Town Hall attracted over 100 young people. A key theme was the chance to try a new skill on the day, ranging from plastering to hairdressing. More than 25 organisations exhibited, promoting employment, education, training and business start-up opportunities. 96% of those attending found the event helpful.

Tourism is booming in South Derbyshire on the back of successful attractions. There has been an increase in day trips and overnight stays in the District and The National Forest this year. Enquiries handled by Swadlincote Tourist Information Centre have risen to more than 11,000.

The **What's On in South Derbyshire** publication has been further developed and is now published three times per annum in both printed form and online.

Conversations have been held with residents to shape the **Local Plan**, which is designed to help South Derbyshire grow and flourish up until 2028 by ensuring that the necessary infrastructure is in place for future generations.

The Burton-Swadlincote-Utttoxeter (Burton Mail) **Business Awards 2013** attracted a number of new corporate sponsors and a growth in entries.



Making our Communities safe and secure - Delivering a range



The **Safer South Derbyshire Partnership** worked with communities to reduce crime and the fear of crime in a low-crime district, funding 20 projects put forward by local groups at Safer Neighbourhood meetings.

Over 300 young people took part in daily **Summer Vibe** sessions in Hilton and Newhall as part of a drive to cut down on anti-social behaviour.

Two ASBO's were obtained to control prolific offenders with seven young people successfully completing Acceptable Behaviour Contracts.

Liberation Day was yet another glorious success with more than 350 over 60s taking part in the themed event, which focuses on how to stay safe and secure.

230 properties were secured through the **Safer Homes Scheme** run by the CVS. A further 60 properties were secured through the Sanctuary Scheme.

The four **South Derbyshire secondary schools** were paid visits to promote healthy relationships and raise awareness of Domestic Violence services during National Relationships Week.

South Derbyshire District Council has worked with the **Shout Out disability support group**, providing information on hate crime and how to report it and delivering crime education sessions to Granville School students.

The local Community Payback scheme, which sees offenders repay their wrongdoings, helped 27 out of 29 young people to stay on the right side of the law.



Tamperproof number plate screws were fitted to cars in Castle Gresley, Hilton, Swadlincote and Etwall to deter criminals.

The Council offers a high standard of accommodation for its tenants, providing responsive services at affordable rents. 100% are satisfied with the levels of maintenance we provide. We involve tenants in decision making and support the **South Derbyshire Tenants' and Residents' Forum**.

The Council works with landlords to drive up standards of housing across the district, particularly in the private sector. We also support people who are homeless or threatened with homelessness.

Our **Careline Service**, which helps around 1,600 vulnerable people to remain independent, moved to the new Oakland Village, in Swadlincote. A total of 37,812 calls were efficiently dealt with.

Housing Services launched a business plan to invest £27 million in improving council homes over the next five years and £108 million over the next 30 years, ensuring that that the Council maintains and exceeds the **Decent Homes Standard**.

Dozens of young people were encouraged to become more involved in community activities through the Council's **Dreamscheme** by delivering hampers to vulnerable tenants at Christmas and gardening in communal areas.



Providing Lifestyle Choices - Improving the health



National Play Day was a great success with over 2,000 people take part in a wide range of activities from mini-Olympics to environment-themed entertainment.

The patriotic, rousing **Last Night of The Proms** played to hundreds of spectators at The Glade at Rosliston Forestry Centre.

Improvements to leisure facilities across the District are underway. The £550,000 refurbishment works are progressing and **Green Bank Leisure Centre** users are benefitting from the improvements.



Rosliston Forestry Centre has had over £80,000 of improvements to facilities supporting children with disabilities.

The Green Flag Award, recognising the best open spaces in the country, has been retained at Maurice Lea Memorial Park in Church Gresley for the sixth consecutive year.

Conservation volunteering projects at Swadlincote Woodlands and Coton Local Nature Reserve have delivered in excess of 280 volunteer days.

80 new trees have been planted in the urban Parks with funding assistance from The **National Forest Company**.



The **Playscheme** achieved over 7,500 participations. Activities included human table football, the Wacky SportsMobile and the Climbing Wall.

The annual **Festival of Leisure** weekend at Maurice Lea Memorial Park drew nearly 10,000 visitors with a wide variety of attractions.

The **Village Games Project** benefitted communities through a range of activities from chair based exercise to village youth group support.

South Derbyshire Day, a special pre-match extravaganza at Derby County's Pride Park, let football fans know of the great work carried out by community organisations and individuals to promote the District.

South Derbyshire has its own special **Sports Awards** to encourage and honour sportspeople and the volunteers that make things happen in the District. Canoe polo player Claire Mitchell, from Shardlow, was named Sportsperson of the Year after racking up an impressive medal haul with Team GB at the World Games and European Championships.

Weddings graced **Swadlincote Town Hall** with its transformation into an approved licensed venue for marriages and civil partnerships.

Funding of £149,000 has been allocated to local **Voluntary and community sector groups** to deliver a range of health and wellbeing initiatives to the local community.

South Derbyshire District Council achieved the acclaimed **ISO 14001** international standard for its work to reduce environmental impact. Energy consumption at the Civic Offices in Swadlincote is down 12 per cent annually as the Council looks to become a green role model.





Council Tax was frozen for the fourth consecutive year so that residents didn't feel more of the chill of the age of austerity.

Auditors Grant Thornton declared that South Derbyshire is offering value for money by “making proper arrangements to secure economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources.”

It means that we are in a good financial position to meet current and future needs.

The auditors praised our five year plan stating: “The Council has robust arrangements in place for ensuring that the Medium Term Financial Plan is kept up to date to reflect its response to the continued challenges presented by funding cuts.”

Praise was also afforded to the financial governance, planning and control in place at the Civic Offices.

Grant Thornton said: “The Council continues to take a long term approach to efficiency planning. This is made possible by having a strong understanding of both internal and external factors facing the authority.”

Cutting costs not services

South Derbyshire District Council is committed to doing more with less.

A detailed review by the Council's Overview and Scrutiny Committee highlighted proven value for money in waste, cleansing and grounds maintenance services.

By offering sustained support to voluntary and local groups and by working in partnership with funding organisations, South Derbyshire is able to attract external funding to community developments of all kinds.

A striking example is Eureka Park in Swadlincote, which is being lovingly restored with a grant of over half a million pounds awarded from the Heritage Lottery Fund and Big Lottery Fund through their Parks for People programme.

Long lost features, such as the Floral Clock, Rose Arch Walk and water cascades, are to be lovingly reinstalled. Footpath improvements are also in the pipeline, while colourful planting is to be put in place and recreational facilities enhanced.



Maintaining financial resilience

Significant efficiency savings continue to protect and improve vital services and balance the books.

Measures introduced include greater partnership working, streamlining senior management and a wide range of efficiency measures designed to reduce overhead and back office costs.

Through forward thinking and effective leadership, the Council has continued to invest in projects making a difference to the lives of residents.

For example, we introduced a new recycling scheme, which includes plastics and cardboard. Residents have recycled over 5,000 tonnes of waste since the Easy Green Recycling scheme began in October. This is more than double the amount collected in the same period in the previous year. Households have recycled 625 tonnes of plastic so far - three and a half times the amount previously going into recycling centres.

Even in the age of austerity, investments are also being made in leisure facilities in Swadlincote, Etwell, Melbourne and Rosliston. Almost £2 million in external funding is intended to ignite the legacy of the Olympics across South Derbyshire.

Improving customers' experience with the Council

All of the work of South Derbyshire District Council is focused on providing the best possible service for local residents and businesses.

The Council recognises that there are areas of service which can be further improved and uses its Overview and Scrutiny Committee to investigate specific areas and recommend new ways of working.

If you have a question or query, get in touch by calling **01283 595795** or emailing customer.
services@south-derbys.gov.uk.

Alternatively, visit **www.south-derbys.gov.uk**.





Northgate

Northgate Public Services has worked with the Council to provide its corporate services and deliver extra value for money. In its partnership with the Council, Northgate guaranteed to make Council savings of £2.1million and spend £1.9 million upgrading IT systems and services.

Law:Public

When required, Law:Public offers the Council's legal team additional expertise across a broad range of legal services.

The South Derbyshire Partnership

This partnership of the public, private and voluntary sector promotes South Derbyshire through three theme groups which focus on community safety, sustainable development and health and wellbeing.

South Derbyshire CVS

South Derbyshire CVS chairs the Strategic Volunteering Partnership which is assisted by the District Council to support all forms of volunteering in South Derbyshire.

Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB)

South Derbyshire District Council helps to fund the CAB so that it can continue providing vital support and advice on issues such as employment and debt.

Safer South Derbyshire Partnership

This is the statutory Community Safety Partnership for South Derbyshire. It brings together agencies to reduce and prevent incidents of crime and anti-social behaviour in the district.

The National Forest Company

The National Forest Company is a co-sponsor with Rolls-Royce of the Environmental Education Project, which works to develop knowledge, respect and understanding of the environment. It also supports events and walking schemes.

South Derbyshire Sport

Focussing on increasing sports participation by young people. This included supporting work on a £550,000 refurbishment of Green Bank Leisure Centre.

The Schools Sports Partnership

The partnership is managed by the Council's Sport and Health team. It has had great success with activities for young people including football leagues, wheelchair basketball, fencing and Bikeability.

Active Nation

Active Nation manages the Green Bank Leisure Centre in Swadlincote and Etwall Leisure Centre in partnership with the Council.

Melbourne Sporting Partnership

South Derbyshire District Council is working with clubs from five different sports to develop facilities costing £2.5 million at Cockshut Lane Recreation Ground.

Village Games

Supports local community activity through a range of events, from chair based exercises to youth group support.

Derbyshire County Council / Parish Council

South Derbyshire District Council, Derbyshire County Council and Parish Councils work in conjunction on a vast array of projects designed to benefit local people.

Other partnerships the Council works in conjunction with:

- **People Express**
- **The Community Partnership Scheme**
- **Sport England**
- **Public Health**
- **The National Lottery**
- **The NHS**
- **The Forestry Commission**
- **The Football Foundation**
- **Derbyshire Sport**
- **Rolls Royce**



Our income

Our total income for 2013-2014 was £45.8 million compared to £50.620 million in 2012-2013.

This came from government grants, housing rents, council tax, fees, recharges, Supporting People and interest.

£3.3m	Fees and Charges
£25.6m	Government Grants
£11.7m	Housing Rents
£0.1m	Interest
£0.3m	Supporting People Contributions
£4.4m	Council Tax
£0.4m	Recharges

£45.8m Total

In 2013-2014, our element of the Council Tax remained the same as 2012-2013. This gave a Band D Council Tax of £150.25, significantly less than the national average of over £170 for shire district councils. The figure for housing rents pays for local authority housing.

Our expenditure

Our revenue account shows the costs of running our services. In 2013-2014, we spent a total of £45.8 million on delivering services under our four themes. This was 9% less than the £50.620 million we spent on services in 2012-2013. The decrease was mainly due to some budget reductions, together with expenditure on housing benefits.

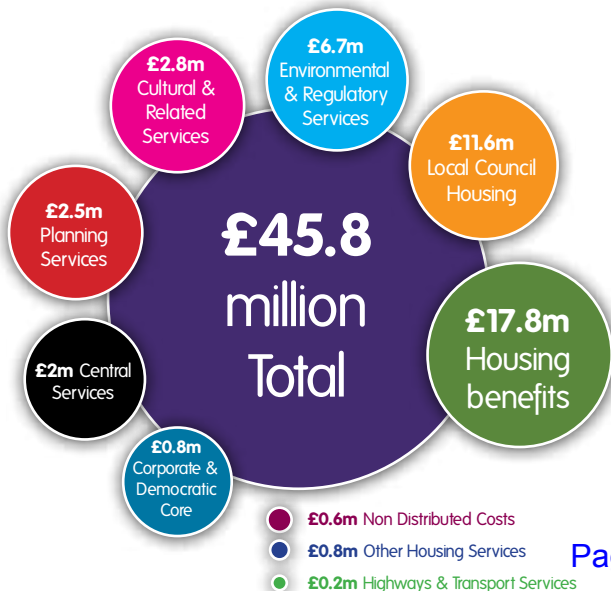
Our revenue also shows the costs of delivering our priorities and the amount left to be financed from local and national tax income.

£17.8m	Housing Benefits
£11.6m	Local Council Housing
£6.7m	Environmental & Regulatory Services
£2.8m	Cultural & Related Services
£2.5m	Planning Services
£2m	Central Services
£0.8m	Other Housing Services
£0.8m	Corporate & Democratic Costs
£0.6m	Non Distributed Costs
£0.2m	Highways & Transport Services

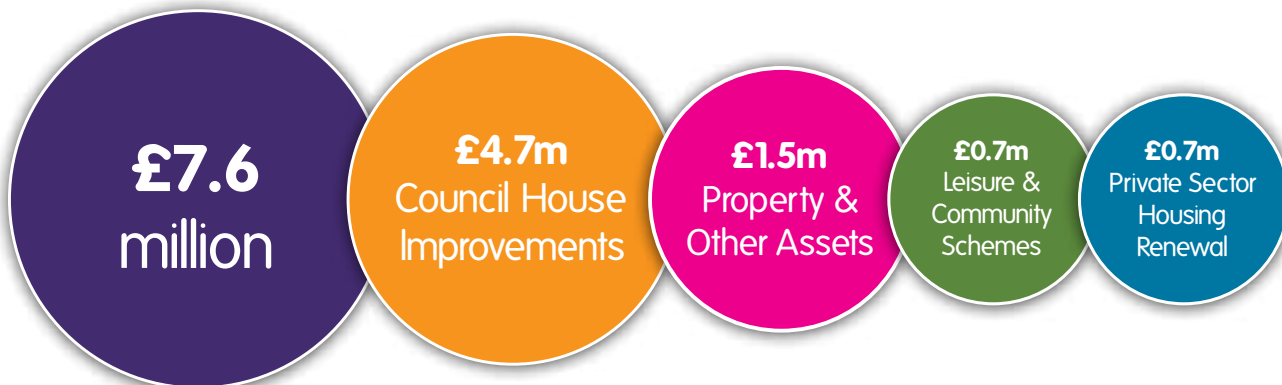
£45.8m Total

Our **capital account** sets out the money we spend on buying and improving our land and property so we can offer first class public facilities. In 2013-2014, we spent £7.6 million on our land and property assets. We financed this through £1.1 million of grants and contributions and £6.5 million from capital receipts and reserves.

What we spent on services



What we spent on land and property



At the end of the financial year we draw up a **balance sheet** that shows how much our land and buildings are worth, what we owe others, what others owe us and how much cash we have. Our net worth is £35.8 million.

Our balance sheet: 31 March 2014

Revenue reserves & balances		Net Assets	
£17.0m	Unusable Reserves	£108.4m	Value of Land & Property
£10.4m	General Balances	£7.5m	Cash in Bank & Investments
£5.2m	Capital Reserves	£5.3m	Money Owed to us
£3.2m	Earmarked Reserves	-£85.3m	Money Owed by us
£35.8m Net Worth		£35.8m Total	

The Director of Finance and Corporate Services' statement



As South Derbyshire statutory Chief Finance Officer, I can confirm that we prepared this year's statement of accounts in line with the Accounting Code of Practice. We have compiled the figures presented in this summary with proper regard to accounting practices. The Government's public spending watchdog, the Audit Commission, appointed Grant Thornton Accountants to review our 2013-2014 accounts. We received an unqualified audit opinion and Council approved our 2013-2014 accounts on 25th September 2014. A full copy of the audited statement of accounts is available on our website at:

http://www.south-derbys.gov.uk/council_and_democracy/council_budgets_spending/statement_of_accounts/default.asp

Kevin Stackhouse

Director of Finance and Corporate Services Page 36 of 129
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National Forest Walking Festival

LICENSING AND APPEALS SUB-COMMITTEE

16th June 2014

PRESENT:-

Members of the Licensing and Appeals Sub-Committee

Councillor Atkin (Chairman) and Councillor Wheeler (Conservative Group) and Councillor Mrs. Heath (Labour Group)

District Council Representatives

J. Green (Senior Legal Officer), L. Kinsey (Licensing Officer) S O'Hanlon (Democratic Services Officer) and A. Maher (Democratic Services Officer).

MATTERS DELEGATED TO SUB-COMMITTEE

LAS/48. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN**

RESOLVED

That Councillor Atkin be appointed Chairman for the Meeting.

LAS/49. **DETERMINATION OF AN APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE**

The Sub-Committee met on Wednesday 16th June 2014 to determine an application for a premises licence, for the Sunny Mai Festival, farmer's field opposite entrance to Betty's Farm, Castle Way, Willington, Derby DE65 6BW

RESOLVED:-

The application was approved, as detailed in the Decision Notice, a copy of which is incorporated in the Signed Minute Book.

LAS/50. **DETERMINATION OF AN APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE**

The Sub-Committee also discussed the determination of an application for a Premises Licence under the Licensing Act 2003 for Melbourne Fete and Carnival, Melbourne Junior School Playing Fields, Packhorse Road, Melbourne, DE73 8JE.

RESOLVED:-

The application was approved, as detailed in the Decision Notice, a copy of which is incorporated in the Signed Minute Book.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

RESOLVED:-

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

LAS/51. The Sub Committee reviewed an existing private hire driver's licence..

RESOLVED:-

Based on the evidence before them, the Panel deemed the driver to be a 'fit and proper person' for the purposes of holding a Private Hire Driver's Licence.

However, due to the fact that the driver had failed to ensure that he had a current MOT certificate and had taken a considerable number of jobs from his operator during that period, the Panel felt it necessary to issue him with a written warning as to his future conduct, which shall remain on his file for a period of 12 months.

The meeting terminated at 2pm

N ATKIN

CHAIRMAN

PLANNING COMMITTEE

25th June 2014

PRESENT:-

Conservative Group

Councillor Ford (Chairman), Councillor Mrs. Brown (Vice-Chairman) and Councillors Bale, Mrs. Hall, Jones, Watson and Wheeler.

Labour Group

Councillors Bell, Mulgrew, Pearson, Rhind, Shepherd and Southerd.

PL/01 **APOLOGIES:-**

Councillors Stanton, Dunn and Richards.

PL/02 **MINUTES**

The Open Minutes of the Meetings held on 25th March and 15th April 2014 were taken as read, approved as true records and signed by the Chairman.

MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE

PL/03 **REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY AND PLANNING SERVICES**

The Director of Community and Planning Services submitted reports for consideration and determination by the Committee and presented oral reports to the Meeting to update them as necessary. Consideration was then given thereto and decisions were reached as indicated.

PL/04 **DEMOLITION OF EXISTING BUILDINGS AND ERECTION OF A CONTINUING CARE RETIREMENT COMMUNITY (CLASS C2) COMPRISING 60 CARE BEDROOMS, 49 CARE SUITS AND 76 CARE APARTMENTS TOGETHER WITH 74 DWELLING HOUSES (C3) AT ASTON HALL HOSPITAL MAPLE DRIVE ASTON ON TRENT DERBY**

It was reported that Members of the Committee had visited the site prior to the Meeting.

An update was given to the Committee with regard to comments received from the Highways Authority and some changes to drawing numbers.

T. Hurrell representing Weston and Aston Parish Councils (on behalf of objectors) and P. Jackson (Applicant) attended the Meeting and addressed Members on this application.

Representations were also read out from Ward Members - Councillors Mrs. Watson and Atkin, who sent their apologies to the meeting and Cllr Watson also addressed the meeting in person.

RESOLVED:-

That planning permission be granted, subject to the conditions set out in the report of the Director of Community and Planning Services subject to the applicant entering into a Section 106 Agreement with the Council to secure the detailed contributions. Elected Ward Members to be kept informed of the outcome of continued negation for public access to new on site facilities.

PL/05 **THE ERECTION OF AN EXTENSION OF AN EXTENSION AT 24A UTTOXETER ROAD, HATTON, DERBY CONVERSION 9/2014/0247**

Alan Sanders, opposing the applications and Alan Tyers (Agent) attended the Meeting and addressed Members on this application.
Members requested a site visit before this application is determined.

RESOLVED:-

Deferred for a site visit

PL/06 **THE VARIATION OF CONDITION 3 ATTACHED TO PLANNING PERMISSION 9/2011/02336/b TO OPEN 17.30 – 00.00 HOURS MONDAY TO SATURDAY AND BANK HOLIDAYS AT 61 DERBY ROAD, MELBOURNE, DERBY 9/2014/0280/B**

Mr. Ahmed (on behalf of the agent) attended the Meeting, but did not address Members on this application.

RESOLVED:-

That planning permission is granted in accordance with the conditions detailed in the report of the Director of Community and Planning Services.

PL/07 **OUTLINE APPLICATION (ALL MATTERS TO BE RESERVED) FOR THE RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF ALLOTMENT GARDENS OFF ASHBY ROAD, WOODVILLE, SWADLINCOTE 9/2014/0189/FO.**

Members were apprised of additional comments received from Derbyshire Wildlife Trust in respect of a bio-diversity study, in addition to those contained in the report.

RESOLVED:-

That planning permission is granted, in accordance with the recommendations set out in the report of the Director of Community and Planning Services.

PL/08 **APPEAL DECISIONS**

The content of the following report was noted:-

Appeal Dismissed

- a) Outline Application (All Matters Reserved) for residential development on land at SK3926 Kings Newton, Derby.

PL/09 **EAST MIDLANDS GATEWAY STRATEGIC RAIL FREIGHT INTERCHANGE CONSULATION**

A report was presented with regard to the statutory consultation in respect of this multimodal site, giving particular consideration to the impact the development will have on residents in South Derbyshire. Members were directed to an amended conclusions section and received updated information regarding noise comments.

Members commented on the consultation document, with concerns being raised about the impact of noise.

RESOLVED:-

That the proposed comments, as set out in the “Conclusions” section of this report as updated by the additional paper circulated, be submitted as the Council’s response to the consultation exercise.

PL/10 **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT [ACCESS TO INFORMATION] ACT 1985)**

RESOLVED:-

That, in accordance with Section 100(A) (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

MINUTES

The Exempt Minutes of the Meetings held on 25th March 2014.

M. FORD

CHAIRMAN

The meeting terminated at 19.47

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

25th JUNE 2014

PRESENT:-

CONSERVATIVE GROUP

Councillors Mrs Plenderleith (Chairman), Atkin (Vice-Chairman), and Mrs Patten

LABOUR GROUP

Councillors Bambrick and Pearson

OS/01. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs Heath, Mrs Hood and Mrs Mead.

OS/02. **COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME**

The Committee agreed its core work programme for the year. This would consist of reviews into issues that were important to both the Council and the wider South Derbyshire community. The reviews agreed by the Committee were:

- (a) How are we going to meet the challenges of Individual Electoral Registration?
- (b) Are there sufficient NHS dental services to meet new and existing demand from South Derbyshire people?
- (c) Are we doing enough to make sure that we will have sufficient cemetery space to meet the district's needs in the future?
- (d) Do we have the right leisure services in place to meet the needs of local people?

During the discussion about the first investigation, it became clear that a key area of concern for members was whether those who have never registered before, such as young people, could be successfully persuaded to put their names down on to the electoral register. The Committee noted that other authorities were already doing a lot to encourage 'hard to reach' groups to register.

Members were keen to find out how South Derbyshire intended to meet the challenge locally. As a first step, it was agreed that the Chief Executive should be requested to attend the Committee's meeting in **September 2014** to discuss this.

The Committee then looked at the review on dental provision for the district, which would be led by Councillor Patten. As part of this, members made it clear that they would like to hear from local people about what their experiences had been and whether they had found it difficult to find a dentist. There was a general consensus that in order to get the views of local people, an effective communications strategy would be required. It was also thought that a variety of engagement techniques ought to be used. These included on-line questionnaires via the Council's web site, the use of social media and face-to-face meetings with the public.

The Committee supported this approach and was especially keen that the public be involved extensively in this review. The Director of Finance and Corporate Services, as the Council officer with overall responsibility for communications, agreed to help progress this. In this context, it was agreed that he should meet Councillor Patten to determine the best way forward. The findings from this consultation would then be discussed by the Committee at its meeting in **October 2014**. Following on from this, the Committee's conclusions and recommendations would be passed to the relevant NHS bodies responsible for dental service provision, such as the Clinical Commissioning Group and Public Health.

Finally, Committee members discussed the review on leisure provision. They identified two key areas which they would like to focus on. First of all, who are the users of the leisure services and do a significant number live outside of the district? Second, are there any parts of the district where people cannot access leisure services, because of poor transport links etc. and are there groups who are excluded because the leisure centres do not offer the right services for them? It was agreed that the Director of Planning & Community Services should be requested to attend the Committee's meeting in **January 2015** to discuss these issues with members.

RESOLVED:-

That the Committee work programme for 2014-15 be approved.

OS/03. **CEMETERY PROVISION IN THE DISTRICT.**

The Committee then turned to the question of whether we are doing enough to make sure that we will have sufficient cemetery space to meet the district's needs in the future? Members were reminded that although cemetery provision was important, it was not a statutory service, which the Council had to provide. The Culture & Community Manager gave the Committee an update about what action had happened since it last considered this matter, over a year ago. He summarised the current capacity of the district's cemeteries and the actions that had been taken to increase the number of spaces available.

Members welcomed these measures. However, they recognised that the Council would ultimately need to decide on the long term future of the service. Members were informed that work had already taken place to identify possible new sites on Council owned land and also sites that would require the use of land that the Council did not own. This could be prohibitively expensive, especially if the land had to be acquired in or close-to the built-up areas.

In this context, members were told that there may be scope as part of any Section 106 planning decisions to require developers to help fund new cemetery provision in the district. However, it was pointed out that in order to do this the Council would need to first set out what its 'vision' for the service is. In particular, does it want to establish a new central cemetery for the district or does it want to identify several locations for new cemetery spaces, which could then be potentially expanded?

The Committee discussed the issue of local church cemeteries and how they are used. Members felt that this discussion highlighted the importance of assessing cemetery provision for the sub-region as a whole and for a co-ordinated approach to be developed between the different areas.

The Committee felt it important that there should continue to be cemetery provision in the district, but that for this to happen it would be necessary to develop a planning framework setting out the Council's vision for the service and for discussions to take place with neighbouring areas. The officers agreed to carry out further work on this and to report back to the Committee about what progress had been made.

RESOLVED:-

That the Committee considers this issue at its meeting in December 2014.

OS/04. **WORKING WITH OTHERS**

The Committee considered a briefing paper prepared by the Centre for Public Scrutiny (CfPS) setting out the role of different agencies in holding to account various public service providers. The paper explained the different policy and operational areas which they cover, their powers and how joint projects could be organised that would be mutually beneficial to various scrutiny bodies.

Members welcomed the briefing paper and the possible ways in which the Committee could co-operate with other scrutiny bodies. It was suggested that a representative of the Centre for Public Scrutiny be invited to meet with the Committee to discuss this further with members.

OS/05 **RESOLVED:-**

That the Chairman arranges a meeting between the Committee and a representative of the Centre for Public Scrutiny to discuss the opportunities for joint working with other scrutiny bodies.

The meeting terminated at 6.45pm

CHAIRMAN

FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (SPECIAL)

26^h JUNE 2014

PRESENT:-

CONSERVATIVE GROUP

Councillors Mrs Watson (Chairman), Councillor Jones (Vice-Chairman), Councillor Mrs Hall (substitute for Councillor Murray), Hewlett, Smith, Watson and Wheeler

LABOUR GROUP

Councillors Bell, Mulgrew (substitute for Councillor Richards), Rhind, Southerd, Taylor and Wilkins

FM/20 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Murray and Richards

MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE

FM/21 **BUDGET OUT-TURN AND FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS 2013/4**

The Committee received a report detailing the final out-turn position for 2013/14 for the main revenue and capital accounts. It also detailed the financial position on these accounts as at 31st March 2014 compared to that estimated in the Council's Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP).

This report follows the provisional out-turn report considered by the Committee on 20th May 2014, which detailed the Council's indicative position including detailed figures and financial commentary, and that the Council's out-turn position was favourable compared to that budgeted.

The report presented confirmed final figures and updates where applicable. The Director of Finance and Corporate Services provided an update regarding the changes made for the final position regarding Business Rates, Court Costs income and an increased provision for Housing Benefits Subsidy, all of which had been subject to final accounts in May. Additionally, the Collection Fund detail has been expanded to show a split between that relating to Council Tax and Business Rates following the introduction of the Retention System for 2013/14. The Collection fund also includes details of the Local Council Tax Support Scheme.

The Director Finance gave a verbal update on the treatment of the NNDR account balance and that it would change from that included in the report. This

would be confirmed at the next meeting on 4th September prior to final audited accounts being submitted.

Cllr Mrs Watson congratulated the Director of Finance and Corporate Services and his team for their hard work and efforts during the year.

RESOLVED:-

That the final out-turn positions be approved as detailed in the report for:

- ***The General Fund Revenue Account 2013/14***
- ***The Housing Revenue Account 2013/14***
- ***Capital Expenditure and Financing 2013/14***
- ***The Collection Fund 2013/14***
- ***The Balance of Reserves and Provision at 31st march 2014***
- ***That it be noted the deficit on the NNDR account will be transferred from the General Fund to the Collection Fund***
- ***That final audited figures are reported to the Committee on 4th September 2014.***

FM/22 **TREASURY MANAGEMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2013/14**

The Committee received a report detailing the Council's actual borrowing and lending for 2013/14 compared to the approved strategy, including performance against its Prudential Indicators. This was in accordance with the Local Government Act 2003 and associated regulations,

The Council's borrowing and investment strategy for the year required that its cash flow requirements were managed through short-term borrowings and bank deposits. Overall, the Council's cash flow remained positive throughout the year. However, due to low rates and limitations on approved counterparties, interest received was lower than budgeted.

As financial monitoring reports throughout the year highlighted, the main Bank of England base rate remained at 0.5% throughout the year. This continued to limit the amount of interest earned on short term investment and bank deposits.

During the year there were no significant transactions regarding borrowing

In addition, within the report an economic overview was provided and it was confirmed that during 2013/14 economic growth was higher than anticipated by many forecasters.

RESOLVED:-

1. ***That the Treasure management Annual Report for 2013/14 is approved***
2. ***To note the Treasure Management Stewardship Report and Prudential Indicators for 2013/14 (as detailed in Appendix 1) and that the Council complied fully with all requirements.***
3. ***That the Statement on the Minimum Revenue Provision for 2013/14 as detailed in Section 5, is recommend to Council for approval.***

FM/23 LOCAL GOVERNMENT PENSION SCHEME 2014 – LOCAL DISCRETION

The Committee received a report detailing information to allow Members to determine the Council's employer discretions permitted under the new Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) Regulations 2014.

The LGPS requires each employer to formulate, publish and keep under review a policy statement in relation to the exercise of a number of discretions to the LGP that came into effect on 1st April 2014. The Council has a statutory deadline of 30th June 2014 to submit its policy statement to the pension administering body which is Derbyshire County Council.

It was explained to Members the discretions that are proposed (as detailed in Appendix A of the report)

Members asked questions of the content, which were answered to their satisfaction.

RESOLVED:-

That the Committee approve the employer discretions set out in Appendix A of the report, which are required to be determined and published by 30th June 2014 in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Pension Scheme

FM/24 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985**RESOLVED:-**

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

MRS. A. WATSON

CHAIRMAN

The meeting terminated at 6.20 pm

LICENSING AND APPEALS SUB-COMMITTEE

2nd July 2014

PRESENT:-

Members of the Licensing and Appeals Sub-Committee

Councillor Harrison (Chairman) and Councillor Watson (Conservative Group) and Councillor Rhind (Labour Group)

District Council Representatives

A. Kaur (Chief Legal Officer), A. Edwards (Senior Legal Officer) L. Kinsey (Licensing Officer) and A. Maher (Democratic Services Officer).

MATTERS DELEGATED TO SUB-COMMITTEE

LAS/52. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN**

RESOLVED

That Councillor Harrison be appointed Chairman for the Meeting.

LAS/53. **DETERMINATION OF AN APPLICATION FOR A GRANT OF A CLUB PREMISES CERTIFICATE**

The Sub-Committee met on Wednesday 2nd July 2014 to determine an application for a club premises certificate under the Licensing Act 2003, for the Overseal Memorial Bowls Club, Woodville Road, Overseal, DE12 6JG

RESOLVED:-

The application was approved, as detailed in the Decision Notice, a copy of which is incorporated in the Signed Minute Book.

LAS/54. **DETERMINATION OF AN APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE – THE DELPH MARKET SQUARE, SWADLINCOTE TOWN CENTRE.**

The Sub-Committee considered an application for a premises licence under the Licensing Act 2003, for the Delph Market Square, Swadlincote Town Centre, Derbyshire, DE11 9DG

RESOLVED:-

The application was approved, as detailed in the Decision Notice, a copy of which is incorporated in the Signed Minute Book.

J HARRISON

CHAIRMAN

The Meeting terminated at 10.15 a.m.

PLANNING COMMITTEE

15th JULY 2014

PRESENT:-

Conservative Group

Councillors Ford (Chairman), Mr Brown (Vice Chairman) and Councillors Bale, Mrs Hall, Hewlett (substitute for Watson), Jones, Stanton.

Labour Group

Councillors Bell, Dunn, Pearson, Richards, Shepherd, Southerd.

In attendance

Councillors Mrs Patten, Mrs Plenderleith

PL/12 **Apology**

An apology was received from Councillor Watson. Councillor Hewlett attended the meeting as the substitute for him.

PL/13 **Open Minutes**

The open minutes of the Committee meeting held on the 13th May 2014 were agreed as a true record.

PL/14 **Declarations of Interest**

Councillor Hewlett and Councillor Shepherd both declared interests on Item 1.3, an outline application for a residential development at Station Road, Melbourne. Councillor Hewlett explained that he knew and had a commercial relationship with the developer in the past. Councillor Shepherd explained that a close relative lived in the vicinity of the proposed development.

Councillor Hewlett also declared an interest on Item 9, enforcement action in Melbourne, on the grounds that he knew one of the people involved.

PL/15 **Questions by members of the Council pursuant to Council procedure rule No.11**

The Committee was informed that no questions from members of the Council had been received.

MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE

PL/16 **REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY AND PLANNING SERVICES**

The Director of Community and Planning Services then submitted a report dealing with several planning applications, for consideration and determination by the Committee.

PL/17 **OUTLINE APPLICATION FOR THE RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF 22 DWELLINGS WITH ASSOCIATED OPEN SPACE AND HIGHWAYS WORKS ON LAND SK3925 STATION ROAD, MELBOURNE, DERBY 0/2014/0287.**

At the suggestion of the Chairman, the Committee agreed to consider this application first. The Planning Services Manager explained that the site for the proposed development had been visited earlier in the day by members. He pointed out that all issues would be reserved for future approval, other than access to the site, which the Committee would be asked to approve at today's meeting.

The Committee heard from speakers who were opposed to and in favour of, the application. The supporter of the application highlighted the quality of the proposed development; the contribution it would make to the district's housing targets and the inclusion of a significant proportion of affordable homes within the scheme. The speaker who opposed the application highlighted the impact of the development on the wider community and especially on the transport infrastructure, local education and medical services in Melbourne.

Members then discussed the application. Concern was raised about the potential impact on the local primary school. Although it was explained that funding would be made available as a result of the development to pay for additional primary school places, concern was raised by the Committee about whether the funding requested by the Derbyshire Local Education Authority (LEA) would be enough to pay for them and what form this additional provision might take. It was agreed that these points should be raised with the LEA for clarification.

Resolved:-

That outline planning permission be granted subject to the conditions set out in the report of the Director of Community and Planning Services.

That the Planning Services Manager seeks clarification from the Local Education Authority about how it would provide and fund the additional school places required as a result of the development.

PL/18 **OUTLINE APPLICATION FOR A MIXED USE DEVELOPMENT COMPRISING UP TO 485 DWELLINGS, EMPLOYMENT UNITS ETC ON LAND SOUTH OF THE MEASE, HILTON, DERBY 9/2013/1044**

The Committee was informed that some members had visited the site earlier in the day. The Planning Services Manager explained that this was an outline application for the mixed development of industrial units / offices, housing, a small, mixed-use, neighbourhood centre and a primary school. All matters would be reserved for approval at a later date, except for access to the site, which the Committee would be asked to agree today.

Members heard from the applicant. He emphasised that this would be a high quality redevelopment of a major brown field site in the district. He also said that there had been extensive consultation and that the plans took into account concerns raised locally.

The Committee then discussed the application. Local members made it clear that they broadly supported the development and in particular welcomed the provision of a new primary school as part of it. They requested that one of the neighbourhood centre units be reserved for a period in order to hopefully attract a dental practice to locate there. The Committee supported this request.

There was an extensive discussion about flood prevention. Members felt that there should be a condition for any flood prevention scheme to be properly maintained on an ongoing basis, if responsibility for it did not pass to the local authority. The officers made it clear that this condition could be imposed, if required. Concern was expressed about speed limits on the main road adjoining the site, which it was felt would be too high if the development took place.

RESOLVED:-

That outline planning permission be granted subject to the conditions set out in the report of the Director of Community and Planning Services and with the additional conditions discussed at the meeting. In particular, that a 12 month reservation on one of the neighbourhood units is put in place for a dental practice and that the highway authority is contacted for a re-evaluation of speed limit on The Mease.

PL/19 **ERECTION OF AN EXTENSION AT 24A UTTOXETER ROAD, HATTON, DERBY 9/2014/0247/FH.**

The Committee had considered this application at its previous meeting, but decided to defer determination until a site visit had taken place. This visit had taken place earlier in the day. Members heard written submissions in support and in opposition to the application.

Following this, the Committee considered the application. Several members expressed concern about the impact of the proposed extension on the neighbouring property.

RESOLVED:-

That planning permission be refused on the grounds of poor and awkward design and its relationship with the existing buildings, contrary to HP13 of the local plan.

PL/20

AN EAST MIDLANDS INTERMODAL PARK ON LAND SOUTH OF A50 AND WEST OF THE A38, ETWALL NSIP/2014/0001

Members of the Committee were informed that this was an application for development of a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project, which would ultimately be determined by the Secretary of State for Transport, via the Planning Inspectorate. The determination process had only just begun and was currently at the informal pre-application stage. In this context, the applicants had asked the Council to express its preference between the three *Master Plan* options for the proposed park. These options were explained to members at the meeting.

The Committee discussed the proposal and in particular the consultation exercise that had been held to date. Members felt that too little detailed information had been made available about the potential impact of the Intermodal Park during this exercise, such as the size of the buildings, the impact on rail and road transport etc. to reach any conclusions on the proposed development. There was a general consensus on the part of the Committee that this and other information should be made available as part of a further round of informal pre-application publicity, before the formal statutory consultation on the plan takes place. The Committee also felt that the Council should reserve its position until it had more information upon which to make a judgement about the Master Plan options.

RESOLVED:-

That the developers be advised that the information currently available is insufficient to allow a proper assessment of the various option and the the Council reserves its position in respect of the invitation to comment on the proposals. That the developers be made aware that any comments made at this stage by the Council would not be intended to give the impression that all other aspects of the scheme are acceptable.

That the development of land south of the railway should be excluded from the Master Plan in order to provide significant separation between the developed site and Eggington village and provide a broader landscaped boundary to the site when viewed from elevated locations in the wider countryside.

That the landscaping north boundary adjacent to the A50 is increased to provide a significant offset between the road and any built development on the site.

That a further round of pre application publicity be undertaken with far more technical detail and examination of the impacts prior to the selection of a preferred option for the Master Plan.

PL/21 **APPEAL DECISION**

The Committee noted the results of an appeal decisions made by the Planning Inspectorate: Land off the Castle Way, Willington, Derbyshire. (Appeal ref: App/F1040/A/13/2208310)

PL/22 **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT [ACCESS TO INFORMATION] ACT 1985)**

RESOLVED:-

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

PL/23 **Exempt Minutes**

The exempt minutes of the Committee meeting held on the 13th May 2014 were agreed as a true record.

PL/24 **EXEMPT QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE No 11.**

The Committee was informed that no questions from members of the Council had been received.

PL/25 **ENFORCEMENT ACTION – MELBOURNE.**

Members received a report on this issue and were informed of the remedial work that had been agreed would now be carried out

RESOLVED:-

That the recommendations be approved.

M. FORD

CHAIRMAN

The meeting terminated at 8.10pm

PLANNING COMMITTEE

5th August 2014

PRESENT:-

Conservative Group

Councillor Ford (Chairman), Councillor Mrs Brown (Vice-Chairman) and Councillors Mrs. Hall, Hewlett (substitute for Councillor Bale), Jones, Stanton, Watson

Labour Group

Councillors Bell, Dunn, Pearson, Richards, Shepherd, Southerd

In attendance

Councillors Taylor and Stuart

PL/29 **Apology**

An apology was received from Councillor Bale. Councillor Hewlett attended the meeting as the substitute for him.

PL/30 **Declarations of Interest**

The Committee was informed that no Declarations of Interest had been received.

PL/31 **Questions by members of the Council pursuant to Council procedure rule No.11**

The Committee was informed that no questions from members of the Council had been received.

MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE

PL/32 **REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY AND PLANNING SERVICES**

The Director of Community and Planning Services then submitted a report dealing with several planning applications, for consideration and determination by the Committee.

PL/33 **ERECTION OF A BANQUETING SUITE AT NADEE INDIAN CUISINE 130 HEATH LANE, FINDERN DERBY 9/2014/0493/SRF**

At the suggestion of the Chairman, the Committee agreed to consider this application first. The Planning Services Manager explained that the proposed banqueting suite would replace a banqueting suite that has been in place since 2010.

Members were informed that the Highway Authority had objected to the proposal, on the grounds that it could cause traffic problem. The report argued, however, that the site had always been used as a public house / restaurant and that there had been no traffic problems since the Marquee had been in place. Local concern had also been expressed about possible noise nuisance. But it was stated that as this would be a brick building there should actually be a reduction in ambient noise levels compared to those emanating from the current marquee. Finally, it was pointed out that there was an error in one of the conditions for planning permission set out in the report. The text ought to have read that functions held in the banqueting suite from Sunday to Thursday finish no later than 23:00 hours (11pm).

The Committee heard from the agent for the scheme, Mr. Peter Diffey, who argued that the proposed development would improve the condition of the site.

RESOLVED:-

That planning permission is granted subject to the conditions set out in the report of the Director of Community and Planning Services

PL/34 **CONVERSION OF EXISTING RESIDENTIAL NURSING HOME AND ASSOCIATED ACCOMMODATION INTO RESIDENTIAL APARTMENTS AT HILLTOP LODGE NURSING HOME, COLLIERY ROAD CHURCH GRESLEY SWADLINCOTE 9/2013/0675/RSD**

At the request of Councillor Southerd, the Committee agreed that determination of this application be deferred in order to allow a site visit by members to take place first. The Committee heard from the agent for the application, Ms. Marissa Sadar, who set out the case for the development; and in particular, how it would create accommodation suitable for small families and be in line with the local plan. At the conclusion of her comments, Ms. Sadar was asked to produce a summary of her views in bullet point form, which would then be read to the Committee as an aide memoire when the application was determined.

RESOLVED:-

That determination of the application is deferred in order to allow members to visit the site of the proposed development.

PL/35 **PROPOSED BRICK WALL TO FRONT BOUNDARY AT 57 MERLIN WAY MICKLEOVER RECTION OF AN EXTENSION AT 24A UTTOXETER ROAD, HATTON, DERBY 9/2014/0247/FH.**

The Committee was informed that members had visited the site of the proposed wall earlier in the day. Some concerns had been raised about replacing part of the hedge by a brick wall. However, it was felt that this would be in keeping with similar front boundaries in the vicinity and so ought to be approved.

RESOLVED:-

That planning permission is granted subject to the conditions set out in the report of the Director of Community and Planning Services.

PL/36 **APPEAL DECISION**

The Committee noted the results of appeal decisions made by the Planning Inspectorate: Land off Acresford Road, Swadlincote and 26 Albert Road, Church Gresley (Appeal references: 9/2012/0570 and 9/2013/0949)

PL/37 **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT [ACCESS TO INFORMATION] ACT 1985)**

RESOLVED:-

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

PL/38 **EXEMPT QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE No 11.**

The Committee was informed that no questions from members of the Council had been received.

PL/39 **PERMITTED DEVELOPMENT - WOODVILLE**

The Committee considered a report which sought authorisation to proceed with a so-called 'Article 4 Direction.' This would require the Committee to grant planning permission, before the demolition of a nineteenth century former brewery building in the Woodville Area could take place.

RESOLVED:-

That the recommendations be approved.

M. FORD

CHAIRMAN

The meeting terminated at 6.35pm.

LICENSING AND APPEALS SUB-COMMITTEE

6th AUGUST 2014

PRESENT:-

Members of the Licensing and Appeals Sub-Committee

Councillor Stanton (Chairman) and Councillor Harrison (Conservative Group) and Councillor Dunn (Labour Group)

District Council Representatives

A. Kaur (Chief Legal Officer), A. Edwards (Senior Legal Officer) L. Kinsey (Licensing Officer) and A. Maher (Democratic Services Officer).

MATTERS DELEGATED TO SUB-COMMITTEE

LAS/55 **APOLOGIES**

The Sub-Committee was informed that no apologies had been received.

LAS/56 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Sub-Committee was informed that no declarations of interest had been received.

LAS/57 **REVIEW OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE.**

The Sub-Committee received a report on this driver and was asked to determine whether he could still be considered a fit and proper person to hold a Private Hire Driver's licence with this authority.

Members questioned the licence holder, who explained the reasons why a short gap in his MOT cover had inadvertently occurred. The driver apologised to the Committee for this and made it clear that he would make sure that it did not happen again.

RESOLVED:-

That Sub-Committee confirms that the driver remains a fit and proper person to hold a Private Hire Driver's Licence with South Derbyshire District Council

The driver be given a verbal warning as to his future conduct, that he must ensure that he is aware of his MOT renewal date and has his vehicle inspected by then, as required by law.

LAS/58 **REVIEW OF A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE**

The Sub-Committee received a report on this driver and was asked to consider whether he could still be considered a fit and proper person to hold a Private Hire Driver's Licence with this authority. It was explained that the applicant had failed to let [Page 60 of 120](#) know of a conviction for using his vehicle

without the correct insurance. It was also explained that he had failed to then take and pass the Driving Standards Agency test within a six month period, as required by the Council's policy.

The Sub-Committee questioned the driver, who explained the circumstances of his conviction and the reasons why he had not yet taken the test.

RESOLVED:-

In line with Council's Private Hire Licence Conditions, the driver be required to pass the Driving Standards Agency Test within a six month period.

That the driver's Private Hire Licence be suspended until such time as he has taken and passed the Driving Standards Agency test.

That the driver be informed of his right to appeal this decision to the Magistrates Court.

LAS/59 **APPLICATION FOR A PRIVATE HIRE DRIVER'S LICENCE.**

The Sub Committee considered this application for a Private Hire Driver's licence. Members were informed that the applicant had been convicted of criminal offences in the past, although none of these convictions had taken place during recent years.

The Sub Committee discussed this with the applicant and asked to him to explain why he was now a fit and proper person to hold a Private Hire Driver's Licence with this authority. Based on the assurances given by the applicant members supported granting him a licence

RESOLVED:-

That the application for a Private Hire Driver's Licence with South Derbyshire District Council be approved.

M. Stanton

CHAIRMAN

The Meeting terminated at 11.05 a.m.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE

21ST AUGUST 2014

PRESENT:-

Conservative Group

Councillor Peter Watson (Chairman), Councillor Andy Roberts (Vice Chairman) and Councillors Mrs Brown, Ford, Mrs Hall, Murray (substitute for Councillor Mrs Patten) Stanton

Labour Group

Councillors Dunn (substitute for Cllr Taylor), Mulgrew, Shepherd (substitute for Cllr Chahal) Stuart and Tilley

In attendance

Councillor Mrs Plenderleith, Councillor Harrison

EDS/13 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence from the Meeting were received from Councillors Mrs Patten, Chahal and Taylor. Councillors Murray, Shepherd and Dunn substituted for them.

EDS/14 **MINUTES**

The Open Minutes of the Meeting held on 5th June 2014 were approved as a true record.

EDS/15 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Dunn declared an interest on Item 8, the permanent diversion of a footpath, Swadlincote, in his capacity as a County Councillor. He made it clear that he would neither participate in the discussion or in the decision making on this matter.

EDS/16 **QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 10**

The Committee was informed that no questions from elected members had been received.

EDS/17 **QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11**

The Committee was informed that no questions from members of the public had been received.

EDS/18 REPORTS OF THE OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

The Committee was informed that there were no Overview & Scrutiny Committee reports for it to consider.

MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE

EDS/19 LOCAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

The Committee was asked to endorse the publication of the Local Development Scheme (LDS). The scheme was considered by the Committee in April and was a necessary step for preparing the 'Local Plan'. The Council had a statutory duty to maintain an up to date LDS, setting out the programme for preparing those documents required for the Local Plan and also those documents to be written as Supplementary Planning Documents (SPD's).

It was explained that since the scheme had been produced the Local Plan had been submitted to the Planning Inspectorate.

Members welcomed the progress made on the Local Development Scheme and Local Plan; and especially the fact that the plan had now been submitted to the Planning Inspectorate. There was some discussion about what progress had been made on the special planning documents and the likely time line for their production. In this context, it was noted that progress on the Greenways SPD was linked on the review by the County Council of their Greenways strategy

RESOLVED:-

That the Local Development Scheme be published

EDS/20 PERMANENT DIVERSION OF FOOTPATH - SWADLINCOTE

The Committee then considered a report recommending that part of the Public Footpath 46, which runs through Swadlincote, be permanently diverted in the area of William Nadin Way. The diversion would, it was explained, enable the construction of 158 new dwellings on the site.

Members discussed the proposal. They saw this as a sensible measure, which would benefit the local community, by creating a more pleasant, vehicle free, walking route than the existing footpath. They concluded that the diversion ought to be supported.

RESOLVED:-

To authorise the making of an order to divert the named footpath to enable the site of 158 dwellings to be implemented

EDS/21 **REVIEW OF THE RATIONALISATION OF WASTE BRING SITES**

The Committee received a report on the rationalisation of the Waste Bring Sites. The Committee had agreed earlier in the year to reduce the number of these sites from 83 to 10. But as part of this they asked for a further update on what the impact had been. The report made it clear that there continues to be sufficient capacity to receive waste and that as a consequence there had been no increase in the incidence of fly tipping in the District.

The Committee discussed the conditions at some of the specific sites, including Willington. In answers to concerns raised, it was confirmed that there were no plans to reduce further the number of Waste Bring Sites. Any changes would, it was stated, require the approval of the Committee.

RESOLVED:-

To note the conclusion of the report that the capacity of the existing Brings Sites is sufficient to meet demand and that there has been no increase in fly tipping as a result of the reduction in Bring Sites.

EDS/22 **CORPORATE PLAN 2009-15: PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT REPORT**

Members considered the latest performance report for the Corporate Plan 2009-15. This covered the first quarter of the current financial year, or 1st April to 30th June 2014. The Committee was informed that most of the targets included in the plan had been achieved. The reasons for the lack of progress in some areas were explained. For instance, it was pointed out that the Local Plan had actually only been submitted four days late. Other delays had been caused by staffing difficulties.

In this context, the Committee discussed the Council's performance on dealing with planning applications, which had fallen slightly. This had been caused, it was explained, by staff shortages, which had now been rectified.

RESOLVED:-

To note the performance information in relation to the Council's Corporate Performance Plan for the period 1st April to 30th June 2014.

EDS/23 **COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME**

The Committee considered its revised work programme for the year.

RESOLVED:-

To approve the updated work programme

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

RESOLVED:-

EDS/24 *That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it would be likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.*

EDS/25 **EXEMPT QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11**

The Committee was informed that no exempt questions from elected members had been received

EDS/26 **EXEMPT MINUTES**

The Exempt Minutes of the Meeting held on 5th June 2014 were approved as a true record.

P. WATSON

CHAIRMAN

The meeting terminated at 18.35

LICENSING AND APPEALS SUB-COMMITTEE

26th AUGUST 2014

PRESENT:-

Members of the Licensing and Appeals Sub-Committee

Councillor Stanton (Chairman), Councillor Watson (Conservative Group) and Rhind (Labour Group)

District Council Representatives

J. Green (Senior Legal Officer and Clerk to the Sub-Committee). E. Mc'Hugh (Senior Licensing Officer)

Also in attendance

Elaine Chadwick (Applicant)
David Carpenter (Designated Premises Supervisor for the Applicant)
Councillor Hewlett (representing the Objector to the application, Carole Warburton)

Councillor Harrison (Observer)

MATTERS DELEGATED TO SUB-COMMITTEE

LAS/60 **APOLOGIES**

The Sub-Committee was informed that no apologies had been received.

LAS/ 61 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Sub-Committee was informed that no declarations of interest had been received.

LAS/62 **APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE, 8 HIGH STREET, MELBOURNE, DERBY, DE73 8GN**

The Sub-Committee was asked to determine an application for a new Premises Licence to permit the sale by retail of alcohol at 8 High Street Melbourne, in the building that had been the former HSBC bank. The application was for the 'Chip & Pin' as the premises would be known, to open between 12:00 and 22:30 Mondays to Saturday and 12:00 to 15:00 on Sundays.

Councillor Hewlett was asked to explain the reasons why the objector, Carole Warburton, opposed the application. He began reading a statement from Ms Warburton in which she first expressed her concerns about fire safety. Some of these points, it was noted, had been made by Ms Warburton in her written objection. Councillor Hewlett had been asked, however, to introduce new points that had not been made in the objection. It was explained to him that this would not be permitted. He summarised that Ms Warburton was particularly concerned about fire safety and nuisance.

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The applicant was then asked to explain why she believed that the application ought to be approved. She emphasised that this would be a 'micro-pub' which would be very different to other public houses. All of the customers would either be seated on benches or standing or leaning at high tables. It would provide an 'at seat' service and not have a bar. There would be no music, TV or gaming machines. The bar would not serve lagers, keg beers or spirits and would close early. This would, it was believed, help to prevent anti-social behaviour and provide a positive addition to Melbourne as a community.

The Sub-Committee discussed the application. It was noted that neither the Police nor any other of the responsible authorities had submitted representations or objections to the application. Members reached the conclusion that, due to the scale and nature of the proposed use as a micro-pub, it would be appropriate and proportionate to grant the Premises Licence.

RESOLVED:-

To grant the application for a Premises Licence as follows:

Sale by Retail of Alcohol for consumption on and off the premises:

Monday to Saturday: 12:00hrs to 22:30hrs
Sunday: 12:00hrs to 15:00hrs

Hours premises to remain open to members of the public

Monday to Saturday: 12:00hrs to 22:30hrs
Sunday: 12:00hrs to 15:00hrs

The grant of the application for a Premises Licence be subject to the mandatory conditions contained within the Licensing Act 2003, and the conditions contained within the operating schedule of the original application form.

M. Stanton

CHAIRMAN

The Meeting terminated at 2:50pm

PLANNING COMMITTEE

26th August 2014

PRESENT:-

Conservative Group

Councillor Ford (Chairman) and Councillors Mrs Hall, Murray, Roberts, Stanton, Watson

Labour Group

Councillors Bell, Dunn, Pearson, Rhind, Shepherd, Southerd

In attendance

Councillor Stuart

PL/38 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillors Mrs Brown, Bale and Richards. Councillors Murray, Roberts and Rhind substituted for them.

PL/39 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Committee was informed that no Declarations of Interest had been received.

PL/40 **QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO.11**

The Committee was informed that no questions from members of the Council had been received.

MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE

PL/41 **REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY AND PLANNING SERVICES**

The Director of Community and Planning Services then submitted a report dealing with several planning applications, for consideration and determination by the Committee.

PL/42 **OUTLINE APPLICATION FOR THE RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF THREE DWELLINGS ON THE LAND ADJACENT TO HILL VIEW, CHAPEL LANE, BARROW ON TRENT, DERBY 9/2014/0228/FO**

At the suggestion of the Chairman, the Committee agreed to consider this application first.

The Planning Services Manager explained that several members had visited the site of the proposed development earlier in the day. It was, he stated, an outline application for three dwellings that would be built in the back garden of an existing property. The Committee was told that the proposal would be in line with current development policy, but not with the new local plan. However, as this was not yet in place, the current policy continued to have primacy in terms of determining the application.

Members were told that part of the site would be subject to flooding. Although the proposed dwellings themselves would not be affected, there would not be a 'dry' route out of them. To get around this an evacuation plan would have to be put in place, to make sure that the residents could leave in good time. It was also confirmed that the development would not exacerbate the flooding problem in the surrounding area. Moreover, the Environment Agency would require the developer to put in place appropriate technical measures to make sure that this did not happen.

Members heard from Mr Paul Nellist, agent for the applicant. He reminded the Committee that this was only an outline application at this stage and that the development itself would be subject to the appropriate conditions imposed by the Committee. He also pointed out that the application was in line with current development policy and that the Environment Agency had raised no objections in terms of flooding risk to the properties. They also did not think that it would increase the flooding risk to neighbouring houses.

Councillor Watson then explained to members that a local resident, Mr Graham Davis, had wished to address the Committee in opposition to the application, but unfortunately was on a pre-arranged holiday. He had, however, produced a written summary of his views. With the agreement of the Chairman, Councillor Stanton was asked to read out this summary.

Briefly, Mr Davis highlighted the potential impact on flooding in the area and to neighbouring properties if the development took place. He also highlighted the potential problems if the new houses overlooked existing homes, the lack of public transport to the site and the potential impact on local traffic and parking.

Members discussed the application. The general consensus which they reached was that the development was in line with existing policy and similar to other small scale developments that had been approved. For these reasons, and also because the relevant agencies had no professional concerns about the possible flood risks or the impact on road safety, they felt that the application should be granted.

RESOLVED:-

That outline planning permission is granted, subject to the conditions set out in the report by the Director of Community & Planning Services.

PL/43 **CONVERSION OF EXISTING RESIDENTIAL NURSING HOME AND ASSOCIATED ACCOMMODATION INTO RESIDENTIAL APARTMENTS AT HILLTOP LODGE NURSING HOME, COLLIERY ROAD CHURCH GRESLEY SWADLINCOTE 9/2013/0675/RSD**

The Committee then considered an application to convert a former nursing home into 15 self-contained apartments. Members were reminded that determination of this application had been deferred at the last meeting in order to allow a site visit. This had taken place earlier in the day. With the agreement of the Chairman, the comments of the agent for the applicant, Ms Marissa Sadar, were read-out. These summarised the points that she had made about the scheme at the previous meeting.

The Committee discussed the application. Concern was raised about the potential impact of the development in terms of on-street parking. It was pointed out that the Highways Authority had not raised any objections on these grounds and that the developer had agreed to resurface the entire length of the access road to the site. Members hoped that this road could subsequently be ‘adopted’ and a request was made for the County Highway Authority to be approached to adopt the road post-construction. It was also requested that a sum referred to in the proposed legal agreement be allocated towards the making up of the remainder of the footpath towards Castle Gresley.

The elected members for the Gresley ward explained their views. Although they did not think that the proposed development was ideal, it would help to bring back into use this vacant building and provide relatively low cost accommodation in the area. For this reason they made it clear that they would be prepared to support the application.

RESOLVED:-

That subject to the developer entering into a ‘Section 106 agreement’ as specified in the report, planning permission is granted, subject to the conditions set out in the report by the Director of Community & Planning Services.

PL/44 **ALTERATION OF EXISTING BUILDING AND CHANGE OF USE TO A DWELLING AT 70 SCROPTON ROAD, HATTON, DERBY 9/2014/0114/FM**

The Committee considered an application to alter a detached garage building in order to create a separate dwelling. Members were reminded that the site of the proposed development had been visited earlier in the day. It was explained that the application had been discussed with officers to resolve the issues which had been raised about the proposed development and that, as a consequence, it was now considered acceptable. For this reason the Committee was recommended to approve the application.

RESOLVED:-

That planning permission is granted, subject to the conditions set out in the report by the Director of Community & Planning Services.

PL/45 **ERECTION OF BUILDING TO PROVIDE CARERS ACCOMMODATION AND EXISTING CAR PORT TO PROVIDE SECURE STORE AT OLD RECTORY, CHURCH ROAD, EGGINGTON, DERBY 9/2014/0238/NO**

Members were informed that this application had been referred to the Committee as the application had been submitted by Councillor Mrs Brown, the Vice Chairman of the Committee. Briefly, it was proposed to create accommodation for a care worker looking after elderly residents living in the main property. This would, it was explained, be a modest one story building, which would not adversely impact on the surrounding area. Similarly, it was not thought that the proposed car port would have an impact on the surrounding area.

Members discussed the application. They sought and received assurance that the accommodation would be used solely for care workers or other support staff working in the main house. It could not be used for other purposes, such as holiday accommodation. Any change of use would have to be subject to an entirely separate planning application.

RESOLVED:-

That planning permission is granted subject to the conditions set out in the report of the Director of Community and Planning Services.

PL/46 **INSTALLATION OF SMALL DOMESTIC PIZZA OVEN & FLUE AND RETENTION OF SHED, SMALL METAL GATE & SIDE PANEL, GREENHOUSE, HEN HOUSE, HEN RUN, TRELIS 7 REDUCTION / REMOVAL OF BOUNDARY FENCES AT 43-45 BLANCH CROFT MELBOURNE DERBY 9/2014/0709/FH**

Members were informed that the historic buildings adviser had looked at the proposed changes and had concluded that they would cause no demonstrable harm to the neighbouring listed building. During the discussion, it was confirmed that the outdoor Pizza oven would be solely for domestic and not commercial use.

RESOLVED:-

That planning permission is granted subject to the conditions set out in the report of the Director of Community and Planning Services.

PL/47 **APPEAL DECISION**

The Committee noted the results of appeal decisions made by the Planning Inspectorate: The Old Barn, Trent Lane, Kings Newton, Melbourne and 17 Windmill Road, Etwall, Derby (Appeal references: APP/F1040/D/14/2219192 and APP/F1040/A/14/2218226)

PL/48 **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT [ACCESS TO INFORMATION] ACT 1985)**

RESOLVED:-

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it was likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

PL/49 **EXEMPT QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE No 11.**

The Committee was informed that no questions from members of the Council had been received.

M. FORD

CHAIRMAN

The meeting terminated at 7:15 pm.

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

28th August 2014

PRESENT:-

Conservative Group

Councillors Hewlett (Chairman), and Councillors Ford, Mrs Hall, Harrison, Mrs Hood, Murray, Mrs Watson

Labour Group

Councillors Dunn, Frost, Rhind, Richards, Shepherd, Southerd

In attendance

Mr Bob Ledger and Mr Martin Guest

HCS/12 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence was received from Councillor Smith (Vice Chairman) - substituted by Councillor Mrs Hall, Councillor Mulgrew – substituted by Councillor Southerd and Cllr Lemmon – substituted by Councillor Mrs Watson

HCS/13 **Minutes**

The Committee considered the open minutes of the meeting held on 12th June 2014

RESOLVED:-

To approve as a true record the open minutes of the meeting held on 12th June.

HCS/14 **Declarations of Interest**

None have been received.

HCS/15 **Questions raised by members of the public pursuant to Council Procedure Rule No 10**

None have been raised.

HCS/16 **Questions raised by members of the public pursuant to Council Procedure Rule No 10**

None have been raised.

HCS/17 **Reports of Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

None to Report.

HCS/18 **Presentation by Active Nation on the Leisure Management Contract**

With the agreement of the Chairman this has been postponed until the next meeting on the 9th October.

HCS/19 **Setting of Garage Rents at Chatsworth Road, Newhall**

The Committee considered a report from the Director of Housing & Environmental Services in the setting of the Garage rents at Chatsworth Road, Newhall. A couple of members questioned why that Council Tenants would not be charged VAT but Non-Council Tenants are charged VAT at 20%.

It was explained that letting to Council house residents were deemed to be in-house and non VAT chargeable, whereas non tenants were deemed to be VAT chargeable. The Committee was informed that a more in-depth explanation if required could be provided by the Director of Finance, Kevin Stackhouse.

RESOLVED:-

Members approve the report and agree a rental value of £9.75 per week for each of the Chatsworth Road garages.

HCS/20 **Experian Rental Exchange Scheme Phase 1**

The Committee then considered a report from the Director of Housing & Environmental Services regarding the Rental Exchange Scheme with Experian and Big Issue Invest.

A brief presentation was given on Phase 1 of the Scheme. This scheme would help provide people who are Social Housing Tenants to improve their Credit Score, as at present rental payment history is not currently included in the credit score process.

Members were informed that if the Council does sign up to Phase 1 of the Scheme it could be established how many of our Tenants could improve their Credit Score. Also through this scheme the Council could identify tenants who are financially vulnerable and help them to get back on track through the Tenancy Sustainment Service.

During the discussion a few queries were aired about whether those people who chose to withhold information might find that this was detrimental to their Credit History. There were also questions about whether Credit History is based on the Postcode and not the individual. Assurances were given that the Credit History is based on the individual, so for instance if the siblings go away to University and get into debt and gaining a bad credit rating. This would not adversely affect the parents.

Overall it was felt that Phase 1 could be a positive move for our tenants and help the vulnerable tenants towards Credit Unions instead of Loan Sharks.

Resolved:-

- To approve that we should engage with the Rental Exchange scheme in its first phase to analyse data on our tenant portfolio.
- To authorise the Director of Finance & Corporate Services to sign the Data Processing Agreement as attached in Appendix 1.
- To note that any proposal to move forward into the scheme's second phase would come before Members in a subsequent Committee report for approval.

HCS/21 **Corporate Plan 2009-15: Performance Management Report**

Members considered a report by the Director of Housing & Environmental Services and Director of Community & Planning Services on the progress and achievements during the period of 1st April to 30th June 2014. in relation to the Council's Corporate Plan 2009/15.

It was reported that performance on property re-let times was improving and would be back on target by the end of the second quarter.

On Table 4 of the report Councillor Dunn questioned the turnover times of the properties as he knew someone who had been allocated a property and did not get the keys until 63 days later. In addition there was a health and safety issue with the heating installation which had not been picked up on the inspection. Councillor Dunn questioned if we have the skills and staff to do inspections efficiently of re-let properties.

It was confirmed that we do have the correct skills and staff and that properties are left in various states and the Council has a fit to let Standard to adhere to. The Director of Housing and Environmental Services gave a commitment to look into the case raised by Councillor Dunn.

RESOLVED:-

To note the progress and achievements during the period 1st April to 30th June 2014, in relation to the Council's Corporate Plan 2009/15.

HCS/22 **Work Programme Report**

Members of the Committee received a report from the Director of Community & Planning Services and Director of Housing & Environmental Services setting out the updated work programme.

RESOLVED:-

To note the updated work programme for the year.

Exempt Items

HCS/23 **Any Exempt questions received by Members of the Council pursuant to Council procedure Rule No 11.**

No questions were received.

HCS/24 **Exempt Minutes**

The Committee considered the exempt minutes of the meeting held on the 12th June.

RESOLVED:-

To approve as a true record the exempt minutes of the meeting held on the 12th June 2014.

Cllr Hewlett
CHAIRMAN

The meeting terminated at 6.40 p.m.

LICENSING AND APPEALS SUB-COMMITTEE

1ST SEPTEMBER 2014

PRESENT:-

Members of the Licensing and Appeals Sub-Committee

Councillor Mrs Patten (Chairman), Councillor Watson (Conservative Group) and Councillor Mrs Heath (Labour Group)

District Council Representatives

A. Kaur (Chief Legal Officer), A. Edwards (Senior Legal Officer) E. McHugh (Senior Licensing Officer) and A. Maher (Democratic Services Officer).

Applicant

Mr Andrew Molloy (Greysich Kennels)

MATTERS DELEGATED TO THE SUB-COMMITTEE

LAS/63 **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN**

Councillor Mrs Patten was appointed as Chairman for today's meeting of the Sub-Committee.

LAS/64 **APOLOGIES**

The Sub-Committee was informed that no apologies had been received.

LAS/65 **Declarations of Interest**

The Sub-Committee was informed that no declarations of interest had been received.

LAS/66 **DETERMINATION OF AN APPLICATION FOR THE GRANT OF A PREMISES LICENCE, CASTLE WAY, WILLINGTON, DE56 6BW**

The Sub-Committee received a report on an application for a new premises licence to permit the sale of alcohol off the premises. Members were informed that both Derbyshire Constabulary and Trading Standards Service had raised concerns about this application. However, the applicant had agreed to a series of conditions, which met their concerns. As a consequence, both the Constabulary and the County Council had now withdrawn their objections to the application.

RESOLVED:-

That the license be granted subject to: (a) the conditions agreed and set out in the Decision Notice incorporated into the signed minute book, and (b) the conditions within the operating schedule of the original application form.

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LAS/67 **DETERMINATION OF AN APPLICATION FRO A DOG BREEDING ESTABLISHMENT LICENCE, GREYSICH FARM, BRETBY, DE15 0RH**

The Sub-Committee received a report on an application for a Dog Breeding Establishment Licence at Greysich Farm in Bretby. The Sub-Committee had carried out a site visit to see the facilities prior to today's meeting.

Members were informed that the applicant had held a Dog Breeding Establishment Licence in the past. Complaints were made about him at the time in connection with this.

However, the Chairman made it clear that the Sub Committee would focus solely on the current application and in particular whether the proposed premises would comply with the Breeding of Dogs Act 1973. This legislation set out the accommodation and other conditions under which the animals must be kept.

Members discussed the proposed Dog Breeding Establishment with the applicant, Mr Andrew Molloy. Several points emerged from this discussion. In particular, that:

- Although the facility would initially cater for 7 breeding bitches, his long term goal was to have a breeding stock of 17 bitches;
- The initial stock of 7 animals would be sourced from the Republic of Ireland. Mr Molloy believed that breeds from that country were hardier and more robust than comparable animals sourced from within the U.K.
- The accommodation would be properly maintained and heated in order to protect the animals from the elements;
- The kennels would be kept clean by using pressure washing equipment;
- The kennels would eventually also accommodate his pet huskies (7 animals). Mr Molloy believed that suitable accommodation could be provided on site to also accommodate them;
- Depending on the nature of any allegations that might subsequently be made about the facility, the Licensing Service would be able to access the kennels; either by arrangement with Mr Molloy or through a statutory right of entry.

The Sub-Committee thanked Mr Molloy and retired to determine the application.

RESOLVED:-

That a Dog Breeding Establishment Licence be granted to the applicant, Mr Molloy, with standard conditions.

Mrs J. Patten

CHAIRMAN

The Meeting terminated at 11.35 a.m.

OPEN

FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

4th September 2014

PRESENT:-

Conservative Group

Councillor Mrs Watson (Chairman) along with Councillors Hewlett, Murray, Smith (Vice Chairman for the meeting), Stanton and Watson

Labour Group

Councillors Bell, Dunn, Rhind, Taylor and Wilkins

In Attendance

Councillors Harrison and Mrs Plenderleith (Conservative Group)

FM/27 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Jones. Councillor Stanton substituted for him. Councillor Richards also gave his apologies. Councillor Dunn substituted for him.

FM/28 **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

Councillor Harrison declared a personal interest in Item 17 – the Melbourne Sporting Partnership.

FM/29 **MINUTES**

The Committee received the open minutes of its meetings, held on the 20th May and 19th June. These were agreed as a true record.

FM/30 **QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO.10**

The Committee was informed that no questions had been received from the public.

FM/31 **QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO.11**

The Committee was informed that no questions had been received from elected members of the Council.

FM/32 **REPORTS OF THE OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

There were no reports of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee to consider.

FM/33 **FINAL BUDGET OUTTURN**

Members were asked to approve the final out-turn position for 2013/14 on the Council's General Fund and Housing Revenue Accounts. They were also asked to approve the out-turn position on capital expenditure and financing, the collection fund and the balance of reserves and provisions as at 31st March.

The Committee was informed that the out–turn position had remained better than originally budgeted, with a £1.5m surplus on the general fund and earmarked reserves of £4.935m. Members discussed the out-turn figures. They thanked the officers for their work during the year in helping to manage the authority's finances effectively.

RESOLVED:

To approve the final out-turn position for 2013/14 as set out in the report.

FM/34 **CORPORATE PLAN 2014/15 – PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT REPORT**

This report set out the progress which had been made against the Corporate Plan targets during the period 1st April to 30th June 2014 under the 'Value for Money' theme. Members were informed that there were no specific problems to report. All targets for relevant projects and performance measures had been achieved. The Committee welcomed this.

The report also included information about health & safety in the Council. Briefly, it was explained that following deteriorating performance on sickness absence during 2013/14, the overall rate had improved in the first quarter of 2014/15. The main concern, it was pointed out, continued to be the incidence of long term absences. Although the number of cases was small, they were responsible for a disproportionately large number of lost days for the organisation as a whole.

RESOLVED:

To note and approve the progress towards achieving Corporate Plan performance targets.

FM/35 **BUDGET AND FINANCIAL MONITORING 2014/15**

Members then considered the Budget & Financial Monitoring Report, which explained how Council expenditure was performing against its budgets. The Committee heard that there was expected to be a net underspend of between £600,000 and £700,000. It was pointed out that the Housing Revenue Account had been set on the assumption that a significant deficit would have to be

financed. However, this deficit was now expected to be smaller than originally thought.

Several problem areas were highlighted. For instance, there had been greater than expected costs in terms of refurbishing the Green Bank Leisure Centre, because un-planned repair work had been required.

In addition, the time taken by the authority to process benefit claims had slipped significantly and was now well above target. The Committee was told that the Council was working with Northgate to resolve this and that a commitment had been given to get South Derbyshire back to parity.

There was then an extensive discussion about the problems which late or incorrect benefits caused in local communities. Members queried whether the Council tried to reclaim over payments. The suggestion was made that the authority sometimes did this in inappropriate ways. It was agreed that any allegations be forwarded to the Director of Finance and Corporate Services, so that they could be investigated.

There was a general consensus that delays in paying benefits were a serious problem that would impact on the most vulnerable in society. Members welcomed the action that had been taken to rectify this and the commitment which had been given to restore the District's former position as a lead authority in terms of processing quickly benefit claims.

Resolved:

To approve the first quarter budget and financial monitoring figures for 2014/15

FM/36

REVIEW OF THE TREASURY MANAGEMENT LENDING POLICY AND COUNTER PARTY LIST

The Committee was next asked to consider a revised Lending Policy and Counter Party List. The revision was required in order to bring the Council into line with the Financial Services (Banking Reform) Act. This effectively replaced government bail-outs of financial institutions with 'investor' bail-ins'. Or in other words, large scale corporate bondholders and depositors (including local authorities) would be required to help meet any losses. The exact amount that they would have to pay would depend on the scale of any losses and a range of other factors.

The report made it clear that because of this the Council would have to adopt new approach when deciding on how to invest. It would have to choose those institutions where its exposure to a possible investor bail-in would be most limited.

Members felt that this was a proportionate and sensible approach

Resolved:

That the revised Lending Policy and Counterparty List set in Appendix 2 to the report be approved;

That delegated authority is given to the Section 151 officer to amend the named Counterparty List if circumstances change and to report back to the Committee in the Quarterly Treasury Management Report.

FM/37 **TOYOTA CITY**

The Committee then considered a report which explained how the links between South Derbyshire and Toyota City in Japan had become increasingly strong during recent years. As part of this, a number of joint initiatives had been held, such as an exhibition of the 'Toyota City Industry Feste.' This featured products manufactured in Derbyshire. It also promoted the County as a tourist destination.

The report made it clear that in order to build on these joint initiatives funding would be required. It recommended, therefore, that the Council should allocate £10,000 to help fund further initiatives in the future.

Members discussed the value of the link to Toyota City and the contribution which the plant at Burnaston had made to the local economy; both in terms of direct employment at the plant and in South Derbyshire firms which provide parts and services. There was a general consensus that the link had proved extremely valuable and ought to be fostered still further.

Resolved:-

To support the allocation of resources as set out in this report to further develop the relationship with Toyota City for the benefit of the local economy.

FM/38 **WORK PROGRAMME**

The Committee received its revised work programme for the local government year.

Resolved:-

To note and approve the Committee's revised work programme.

FM/39 **COURT REPRESENTATION**

The Committee considered a report recommending that the newly appointed Senior Legal Officer be formally authorised to represent the authority, at both the magistrates and county courts of law.

Resolved:-

That the Senior Legal Officer be authorised to represent the authority at both magistrates and county courts of law as specified in the report.

FM/40 **EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS**

Resolved:-

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it was likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

FM/41 **EXEMPT QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE No 11**

The Committee was informed that no questions had been received.

FM/42 **Minutes**

The Committee received the exempt minutes of its meetings held on the 20th May and 19th June. These were agreed as a true record.

FM/43 **REVIEW OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UNIT**

The Committee considered a report on the Council's Economic Development Unit. This suggested remodelling certain staff roles. It also recommended that the Council develop its own web based alternatives to the Visit Peak District & Derbyshire Destination Management System as a way of promoting tourism in the District.

Members supported the proposed changes. It was generally felt that tourism could make an important contribution to the economic development of the District. There would, it was felt, be value in continuing to work at a sub-regional level to promote the county as a whole as a tourist destination, and not just the Peak District. The Chief Executive pointed out that any specific proposals to commit resources to further joint working would require the approval of the Council's Finance & Management Committee.

RESOLVED:-

That the recommendations be approved

FM/44 **HOUSING SERVICES STAFFING RESTRUCTURE**

The Committee was asked to approve a range of changes to the Housing & Environmental Services Staffing structure. These changes had been agreed by the relevant committees in June and had since then be subject to formal consultation.

Members heard about some of the operational issues that would have to be addressed in order to implement the new arrangements. They were assured that the changes would enable the Council to concentrate resources in those areas where it faced the greatest challenges. They were also told that there would be no compulsory redundancies as a result of the changes.

RESOLVED:-

That the recommendations be approved

FM/45 **MELBOURNE SPORTING PARTNERSHIP**

Members considered a report recommending that the Council complete a leasing agreement with the Melbourne Sporting Partnership in order to enable the comprehensive redevelopment of leisure facilities in the area.

RESOLVED:-

That the recommendations be approved

MRS ANN WATSON

CHAIRMAN

The meeting terminated at 7.20 p.m.

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AREA FORUM

LINTON

28th May 2014 at Rosliston Village Hall

PRESENT:-

District Council Representatives

Councillor Wheeler (Chairman) and Councillors Jones; Frost and Mrs Hall.

S Batchelor (Director of Community and Planning); S Winfield (Service Assistant); K Allies (Environmental Development Manager)

Derbyshire County Council Representatives

P Jameson (Forum Liaison Officer).

County Council Representatives

Councillor K Lauro

Parish Council/Meeting Representatives

K Bradford (Coton in the Elms Parish Council); P Marbrow (Rosliston Parish Council); M Horne (Walton on Trent Parish Council); P McGibbon (Netherseal Parish Council); C Wright (Castle Gresley Parish Council) S Jones, C Knight (Overseal Parish Council); J Powell (Linton Parish Council)

LA/1 **TO NOTE THE APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIRMAN**

Councillor Wheeler was appointed Chairman by Annual Council for Linton Area Forum

LA/2 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence from the Meeting were received from J Pallett and S Jackson

LA/3 **APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRMAN**

Councillor Mrs Hall was appointed Vice Chairman of the Linton Area Forum.

LA/4 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

LA/5 **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Cllr Wheeler confirmed the consultation on Part 1 of the Local Plan finished on 22nd April and officers are currently working through the comments. This will be submitted to the Secretary of State on 11th July, to be examined in the autumn, with adoption in 2015. Part 2 of the Local Plan has commenced and the first consultation will take part this autumn. The detail of Part 1 and Part 2 will go to the Environmental and Development Services Committee on 5th June, before being submitted to the

Secretary of State

LA/6 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Linton Area Forum held on 29th January 2014 were noted.

LA/7 **REPORT BACK ON ISSUES RAISED AT THE LAST MEETING**

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

Acresford Road, Netherseal – Carriageway flooding

Forum Liaison Officer reported that a further letter had been sent to the landowner but not reply received. The maintenance section had also been approached regarding the legal right of entry to the land. This is a surface water issue with a suspected broken pipe in the field. Cllr Mrs Hall raised that water draining into the Mease needs attention as this is a protected river.

Action: Forum Liaison Officer to make enquires and report back at a future meeting.

LA/8 **PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON ISSUES RAISED BY RESIDENTS**

Walton resident reported that a vehicle was mounting the pavement and crossing a grass verge to park in Bells End Road.

Action: Forum Liaison Officer to make enquiries and report back at a future meeting.

Coton in the Elms Parish Council questioned if all dropped kerb applications should be brought to the attention of the Parish Council as there had been an increase in kerbs dropped but the Parish Council hadn't seen the applications. It was advised that any unauthorised or substandard works should be brought to the attention of DCC for investigation.

Action: Director of Community and Planning to make enquiries and report back at a future meeting.

Rosliston Parish Council raised that certain planning applications were not posted on lamp posts in the village. Two addresses were passed onto the Director of Community and Planning.

Action: Director of Community and Planning to make enquiries and report back at a future meeting.

The road surface at the traffic lights in Overseal was raised and whether funding was available to address this. Forum Liaison Officer confirmed that a scheme list of winter damage repairs would soon go to Committee. Once approved then the works can be programmed.

It was raised that a large pothole had appeared on the Cadley Island.

Forum Liaison Officer advised that the works section (left-turn towards Castle Gresley)

had received a carriageway patch shortly after the last forum. He was unaware of any further plans to carry out works at this time. Cllr Lauro confirmed that she had enquired into this and been advised that there are no works planned at this time.

Coton Parish Council raised that many speed limit signs were obscured by overgrown verges. Director of Community and Planning confirmed that a grass cutting programme was in place.

It was raised that roadworks at Drakelow were still ongoing. Forum Liaison Officer confirmed the bridge replacement works had been delayed but were due to be complete by 6th June. DCC will be repairing a culvert adjacent to Gate B at Drakelow Power Station, which is due to commence in early June for 14 weeks. It is estimated that the works will need two one-week closures – possibly in August and October – with temporary signals and a 30mph speed limit in place for the remainder of the works.

Cllr Lauro raised that a site meeting had been arranged to discuss the Rosliston crossroads towards Cadley Hill and Police have been invited.

It was raised that there are plans to stagger the crossroads at Drakelow / Rosliston Road.

It was raised that a green wheelie bin had been abandoned near the bus shelter on The Green in Rosliston.

Action – Director of Community and Planning to arrange to have it collected.

Linton Parish Council raised that several drain covers had been stolen and cones have been put out in Coton Park

LA/9

UPDATE ON ENVIRONMENTAL VOLUNTEERING

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LA/10 **COUNTY COUNCIL ISSUES**

Forum Liaison Officer gave the following update: -

DCC are facing massive budget pressures and need to save £157m by 2018 to meet Government spending targets. DCC will look at how they offer children's centre services so they are offered in the best possible way to support children and families within the limited and reducing budgets. There are 54 centres currently operated across the county, which cost £8m per year to run. A saving of £1.1m is needed to meet targets. A consultation is being carried out on the way these services are offered. The consultation commenced on Wednesday 14th May and runs until Tuesday 17th June. There are several ways residents can take part, either via the website: www.derbyshire.gov.uk/ccreview (free internet access in libraries and some children's centres); pick up a paper copy at a children's centre or request one via Call Derbyshire on 01629 533190.

A number of options are being considered, which include: -

- Charging parents for using children's centres;
- Charging organisations for using the buildings;
- Reduction in staffing levels;
- Closing some centres;
- Only offering services which are not already available elsewhere through the voluntary, community and independent sector.

Feedback from the review will be used for a follow-up report to Cabinet this autumn. If any centres were to be subsequently earmarked for possible closure, a further consultation would take place before any final decision was made. Children's centres in South Derbyshire are located at Castle Gresley (Mount Pleasant Road), Coton-in-the-Elms (Elmslea Avenue), Etwall (Hilton Road), Newhall (Elmsleigh Drive, Midway) and Woodville (Blacksmith's Lane).

Castle Gresley Parish Council raised that the 60 mph limit along the bypass changes to 30 mph too close to the island. Cllr Lauro confirmed that the accident injury rate was being considered. It was raised that St Modwen's development would also attract accidents. Cllr Lauro confirmed that this issue would be incorporated with the Rosliston crossroads meeting. Forum Liaison Officer confirmed that DCC are bound by the Department of Transport regarding speed limits but once areas are developed then this may be a case for a change of speed.

It was suggested that Cadley Hill Road (A514) should be reduced to 30mph, particularly in the vicinity of the Ryder Close junction. It was claimed there have been 3 collisions near the junction within the last 12 months. Ryder Close Industrial Estate is now largely occupied and the recently opened Chesapeake unit (opposite) has in the region of 20 HGV's parked there at any one time.

Action: Forum Liaison Officer to make enquiries and report back to a future meeting.

LA/11 **DISTRICT COUNCIL ISSUES**

Environmental Development Manager discussed the Swadlincote Townscape Heritage Scheme. The District Council applied for a lottery grant to upgrade buildings and was issued £8,000 to carry out interim work. A public consultation will take place to upgrade the Lady Diana Memorial garden.

It was raised that Ernest Hall Way in Swadlincote was untidy with rubbish and overgrown with weeds.

Action – Environmental Development Manager to report to the District Council.

Director of Community and Planning informed the group of a briefing to be held on 9th July on trees and open space management at the Civic Offices and on 17th September - planning, development management and planning policy. This information will be going out to Parish Councils. After Christmas there will be briefings on neighbourhood planning and in March a briefing on building standards and planning enforcement

Director of Community and Planning discussed the Last Night at the Proms production scheduled to take place at The Glade at Rosliston Forestry Centre on 6th September. The theme is the remembrance of World War I and there will be lighting of the beacon. An event will take part during the day in Swadlincote.

LA/12 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

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

R WHEELER

CHAIRMAN

The meeting terminated at 8.15 pm

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AREA FORUM

REPTON

2nd June 2014 at Repton Village Hall

PRESENT:-

District Council Representatives

Councillor Smith (Chairman); Councillors Stanton; Shepherd, Ford & Mrs Hood

F McArdle (Chief Executive); Sarah Winfield (Service Assistant); A Bates (Environmental Education)

Derbyshire County Council Representatives

County Councillor Davison and Mrs Chilton

P Jameson (Forum Liaison Officer).

Parish Council/Meeting Representatives

R Parker (Newton Solney Parish Council); C Fellows, R Lisewski (Stenson Fields Parish Council); K Overton (Willington Parish Council); A Badger (Bretby Parish Council)

Members of the Public

S Lloyd; P Pearson; G Varty; F Hood; J Juneau; L McLean; H Hall; C Egan; M Evans; D Melen; J Melen; B Hanson; D Eastman; S Toone; J Orme; A Brown; Mrs Brown; K Abell; S Skelton; D Mapplebeck; I Nelson

RA/1 **To note the appointment of the Chairman.**
Councillor Smith was duly elected by Annual Council as Chairman of the Repton Area Forum

RA/2 **Apologies**
Apologies were received from Councillor Chahal and Lynette Nash (Findern Parish Council)

RA/3 **Appointment of Vice Chairman.**
Councillor Smith thanked Cllr Shepherd for chairing the Area Forum over the last year. Councillor Stanton was elected as Vice Chairman of the Repton Area Forum

RA/4 **Declarations of Interest.**
None

RA/5 **Chairman's Announcements.**

None.

RA/6 **To note the Minutes of the Meeting held on 17th February 2014**

Page 2 - Riverbank footpath at Willington – the public meeting will take place at Willington Village Hall

Page 3 - Stenson Parish Council raised the issue of the speed limit to be reduced to 30 mph and that their comments were not included in the minutes. See below.

The concerns of the Parish Council's representatives have again been brought to the attention of the Traffic & Safety Team, but officers concur with the response provided at the forum and comments made previously. It was agreed to review the speed limit with the Police, on completion of the development.

Page 3 - Councillor Stanton confirmed that the entrance to Ticknall Village Hall had now been repaired.

RA/7 **Report back on issues raised at the last Meeting.**

The Chairman reviewed those items raised at the last meeting and the Forum Liaison Officer reported the progress made in each case.

Drainage issues on Bretby Lane

It is proposed to replace a section of drainage along the problem section of Bretby Lane, to increase capacity. During previous site investigations it was established that the outfall is damaged and permission has been gained to enter private land to carry out repairs to this, prior to the works in the carriageway.

Collapsed wall at Newton Solney

The County Council have been allocated money from Central Government as part of the severe weather relief fund. Allocation of these funds is subject to a report going to Cabinet at the end of June. Councillor Chilton stressed the importance of this funding being granted as the wall is dangerous.

Damage to bridges in Stenson

The River and Canal Trust had recently confirmed that the canal bridge had been inspected and is included in a monthly inspection regime and has a 40 ton load capacity. Under Schedule 8 of the Section 106 Agreement it states that the developer should provide a routing schedule for works traffic. This hadn't been provided and the Planning Enforcement Team are addressing the issue. Cllr Shepherd reported that the developers had agreed not to use these bridges and was happy that the Enforcement Team were involved.

Potholes on Chapel Lane, Ticknall

Councillor Stanton confirmed these potholes had now been repaired.

RA/8 **Public questions on issues raised by residents.**

It was raised that the car park adjacent to the church in Findern was frequently being used for overnight parking. Signage does state no overnight parking. It was asked if new signage could be provided.

Action - SDDC to make enquiries and report back

Willington resident discussed the proposed part night lighting scheme for the village and the lack of consultation from Derbyshire County Council. A further issue of bulbs not being replaced was also raised.

Forum Liaison Officer confirmed that all street lighting was replaced on a rolling programme but the Authority can no longer afford to do this. The burn to extinction scheme had been introduced on certain roads which means that once a light goes out then it will only be replaced if reported and no longer on a rolling programme.

Stenson Parish discussed their experience with the part night lighting scheme and the consultation process. Cllr Davison discussed the problems with the Stenson Fields consultation, culminating in 37 responses out of 1600 residents and the future proposal that this be delivered more through the website and getting the views of the Parish Councils.

Forum Liaison officer confirmed that there have been instances when lights have been turned on – i.e. when requested by the Police to address issues with ASB during the hours of darkness. There has to be very good reason to switch a light back on and will not be done just on request alone.

Resident questioned what the regulations were on parking near junctions and against the flow of traffic after dark, in particular in Pinfold Lane, Repton. The Chairman confirmed that he had seen a ticket issued to one motorist on this road.

Cllr Ford discussed previous involvement in parking issues surrounding the Bulls Head, Repton

Repton residents had been informed via a Parish magazine that the Police would be available to speak to after the meeting as they wished to raise parking on the High Street in Repton. The Chief Executive confirmed that the Safer Neighbourhood Meeting took place prior to the Area Forum Meeting and Police were present to discuss local issues. Cllr Ford confirmed that a Repton Parish Council meeting was scheduled the following Monday in which he would raise this issue and facilitate a specific meeting.

Cllr Chilton confirmed that parking enforcement can be accessed via parking@derbyshire.gov.uk

Newton Solney Parish Council raised that a serious accident occurred near to the garden centre and discussed having a 30 mph speed limit enforced. Cllr Chilton confirmed that both Bretby and Newton Solney Parish Council confirmed there was no requirement to change the speed limit.

Forum Liaison Officer advised that a site investigation had revealed that vegetation around the junction was well trimmed and that visibility for emerging traffic was reasonably good. On the Knight's Lane approaches it was noted that the advanced warning signs were free from obstruction. There is also a 'SLOW' carriageway marking on the s/bound approach. It was considered that there is sufficient measures in place to alert drivers to the presence of the junction.

At a time of reducing budgets, we need to ensure that funds for road safety improvements are allocated to areas with a history of injury collisions. Aside from the recent collision referred to, there has been a good road safety record here in previous years and therefore little evidence to suggest further measures are warranted.

This route is entirely rural in nature, with very few fronting properties, and therefore a 30mph speed limit isn't appropriate and would not be respected.

It was raised that the road running from Winshill to Newton Solney was very narrow and bushes were overgrown over the pavement.

Action – Forum Liaison Officer to make enquiries and report back to a future meeting.

Resident questioned the impact on the village from the proposed development near Willington as already 19,000 vehicles a day pass through the mini-islands

RA/9 **Update on Environmental Volunteering**

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RA/10 **County Council issues.**

Cllr Shepherd raised that overgrown foliage needed cutting back along the canal bridge and requested this be made part of the yearly programme.

Action – Forum Liaison Officer to make enquiries and report back to a future meeting.

Cllr Shepherd questioned why several speed signs had arrived in a short space of time around Melbourne

Action – Forum Liaison Officer to make enquiries and report back to a future meeting.

Cllr Davison raised that developments at Egginton Common will be on the Agenda for the South Derbyshire Local Area Committee, which is open to the public on 11th June.

RA/11 **District Council issues.**

None

RA/12 **Date of Next Meeting.**

The date of the next Meeting would be confirmed in due course.

P SMITH

CHAIRMAN

The Meeting terminated at 8.35 pm

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AREA FORUM

ETWALL

4th June 2014 at Egginton Memorial Hall, Egginton

PRESENT:-

District Council Representatives

Councillor Mrs. Brown (Chairman) and Councillors Ford; Bale; Mrs Patten and Mrs Plenderith.

Kevin Stackhouse (Director of Corporate Services)

C Smith (Safer Communities Manager).

Martin Buckley (Tree Officer)

Kate Allies (Environmental Development Manager) – Rosliston Forestry Centre

Julie Marson - Clerk

Derbyshire County Council Representatives

P Jameson (Forum Liaison Officer).

Natalie Ward – DCC Digital Derbyshire

Councillor Mrs Patten

Councillor M Ford

Parish Council/Meeting Representatives

S.Cooper (Hilton Parish Council); M.Pateman and J.Nicols (Dalbury Lees Parish Council); P.Harris, I.Bennett, D.Muller and N.Ireland (Etwall Parish Council); B.Myring (Etwall Neighbourhood Watch); S. and M. Nesbitt (Egginton Parish Council); T.Beresford (Foston & Scropton Parish Council); C.Thurman (Hatton Parish Council); Sir H. Every (Egginton Parish Council).

Members of the Public

C Moore, A.Billings, S.Jolly, C.Moore

EA/1

APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIRMAN

Councillor Mrs Lisa Brown was appointed at Annual Council as Chairman of the Etwall Area Forum

EA/2

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Roberts, Lemmon

EA/3

APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHARIMAN

Cllr Patten was appointed (nominated by Cllr Plenderith and Cllr Bale)

EA/4

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

EA/5 **COUNTY COUNCIL ISSUES**
DCC BROADBAND UPDATE – NATALIE WARD

Item 10 was brought forward as Natalie Ward had to head back to Chesterfield. Digital Derbyshire has signed a contract for £27.67 Million with BT to bring faster broadband services into Derbyshire by September 2016. This has already started by doing surveys and talking with Derbyshire County Council and inputting Planning Notifications for cabinets to be installed in areas to help the entire district receive better and faster broadband.

Area 1 will be done in 2015 – 2016, but to get a clearer picture of the dates for your area, please go to the following link and it will take you to a map which will give you these details.

http://www.digitalderbyshire.org.uk/where_when/map.asp.

At present there is a pilot scheme being run from Devil's Elbow which is connected to 145 properties and they are trying to overcome any challenges to be able to provide the service proposed.

Egginton already has fibre optic broadband which runs from Etwall to Egginton and the speed of the broadband went from 1-37 with the new programme so this is an improvement.

If you require any further details on this issue, please go to the website where it will give you more information.

<http://www.digitalderbyshire.org.uk/>.

EA/6 **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Consultation on the Rail Freight has started and Councillor Mrs Brown encouraged people to get involved with the process and to make representations to the Parish Councils and Ward Members.

Draft Local Plan – Part 1 (Large Strategic Sites) will be going to the Secretary of State on 11th July 2014 and then a Planning Inspector will be appointed in the Autumn to be examined.

Final Announcement in early 2015.

Part 2 (100 dwellings or less) – consultation to be held at the end of this year.

The Pig Farm application is still being held by Environment Agency – nothing further to report at this time.

It was asked whether there was a Solar Farm Application for the same site No Councillor was aware of any application.

Overview of Planning – 290 Houses at Hackwood Farm is in the Local Plan but no application has been submitted at this time.

Willington Road, Etwall is still under consideration.

St Modwen's Hilton for 485 Houses is proposed for Planning Committee on 24th June 2014.

New House Farm – 70 objections received and are outstanding on Highways grounds.

EA/7 **REPORT BACK ON ISSUES RAISED AT THE LAST MEETING**

Changes to the Mobile Library Service within the District:-

- Comments received in the initial consultation have been used to develop a more detailed second stage; outlining a proposal to maintain 2 standard mobile libraries, working to a monthly timetable (this proposal received the greatest support).
- Out of the 383 communities currently visited, the proposal would allow at least 140 of them to continue receiving the service with one stop per community. It would also allow the service to be retained at selected locations, some of which are too inaccessible for the larger MCV's to reach.
- All of the original options remain open and we're eager to hear a full range of responses and any fresh ideas residents may have.
- Questionnaires are available in all DCC branch and mobile libraries and GP surgeries. Alternatively, complete a survey online at www.derbyshire.gov.uk/mobilelibraries. Paper copies can also be requested through Call Derbyshire on 01629 533190.
- We expect the final proposal on the future of the service to be presented to the council's Cabinet for consideration in September 2014.
- The draft timetables, based on the retention of 2 vehicles operating to a monthly timetable have been drawn up. The stops we have proposed to be retained have been selected by applying several criteria to make it as fair as possible – i.e. existing business levels (number of books currently borrowed); distance from a branch library; local social and economic considerations (i.e. health, employment, housing, car ownership).

For Church Broughton, Dalbury Lees and Sutton on the Hill the nearest Library is in Etwall. Cllr Patten encourages people to take part in the consultation as it is the rural communities who will be hit and this goes hand in hand with the broadband proposal.

EA/8 **TO NOTE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 28TH JANUARY 2014 (COPY ATTACHED)**

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

EA/9 **PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON ISSUES RAISED BY RESIDENTS**

Application for Wind Turbines has it gone quiet. Cllr Brown had a few previous applications at Etwall, Burnaston and Longlands Lane but nothing is happening at present.

Action: Councillor Brown to check and report back.

EA/10 **UPDATE ON ENVIRONMENTAL VOLUNTEERING**
KATE ALLIES – ENVIRONMENTAL DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

This project aims to help local groups like Parish Councils and Footpath/Wildlife Groups find volunteers to do environmental tasks on their land, or land they manage. It will also provide suitable tasks for businesses and other groups (e.g. Derby University students, Rolls Royce, Bison and Toyota) wishing to volunteer for ½ day (or more) on an environmental task.

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At present there is a 9 month project ongoing for Egginton with Rolls Royce working at the Gateway to the Village.

SWADLINCOTE TOWNSCAPE SCHEME

SDDC has received a grant from Heritage Lottery of £8,200 to **prepare a plan** for repairing and restoring some buildings in Swadlincote Town Centre's Conservation Area (following on from previous schemes) SDDC will also be working with Derbyshire County Council.

More information will follow – but over the next 6-8 months we will be consulting schools and the public about activities and about certain parts of the project to make sure everyone is informed and has a chance to take part eg through an events programme (talks, walks, 'have a go' activities?).

The first part of the consultation is about the Diana Memorial Garden in Swadlincote and we are asking people how they would like to see the garden developed and how they would like to use it.

Info will follow via:

- letters to Clerks to Parish Councils
- consultation in Swadlincote eg at Festival of Leisure, Markets
- website and social media information

Can show people summary with more information at the end of the meeting if they want it?

Any questions please contact:

philip.heath@south-derbys.gov.uk (general project info) 01283 228764

Richard.shaw@south-derbys.gov.uk (Diana Garden consultation) 01283 595936

Kate.allies@south-derbys.gov.uk or ellen.hill@south-derbys.gov.uk (events and activities) 01283 535039.

For further information on the above please see attached links:-



Env Forum
programme 2014-201



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Volunteering 2014.pdf

EA/11 **DISTRICT COUNCIL ISSUES**
ASH DIEBACK UPDATE – MARTIN BUCKLEY

The Forestry Commission has confirmed the presence of Ash Die in the UK. It was first confirmed in February 2012

There are estimated to be 80 Million Ash Trees in Britain and there are many Ash Woodlands which are major Tourist Attractions, therefore, the loss of these trees would not only be an ecological tragedy, would also have major financial implications.

The Government have implemented a Management Plan in an attempt to slow down progression, rather than containment, or eradication. This consists of Restrictions on movement of Timber and Plant movements and the replacement of Ash trees with other native trees. Ash Dieback is in our district – Pick Triangle in Albert Village, Willersley Woods near Ashby, Feanedock Covert and Swadlincote Woodlands are affected.

The requirement now is for Landowners and the public to be watchful and contact the Forest Commission if they believe any Ash Trees are diseased.

The National Forest Company, based at Bath Yard, Moira, have a target to plant 24 million trees, creating a tapestry of woodlands across our area, known as The National Forest. Management of these woodlands has moved into phase 2, part of which will be to provide advice to landowners regarding pests and diseases.

There are also several other exotic pests and diseases, either in or close to the UK, all with the potential to kill many thousands of our native trees, many of which have no defence. Scientists now believe the movement of these pests and pathogens is down to 'globalisation'; the free movement of mankind, goods and materials across the globe. The list includes; Acute oak decline, Bleeding canker of horse chestnut Chalara dieback of ash, Dothistroma needle blight, Horse chestnut leaf miner and Oak processionary moth. It has been estimated, The City of Westminster, along with other London Boroughs have spent in excess of £80 million in an attempt to eradicate Oak processionary moth, as they are considered a significant human health problem. There is a big issue in Royal Parks and this is not just to trees but to humans as well

There is a Tree Identification course to be held at Rosliston Forestry Centre please see details below:-

Wed July 23rd, Tree and Bird Identification at Rosliston Forestry Centre

2:30—4:00pm

A chance to learn basic skills in identification with the Environmental Education Project team using the Rosliston tree trail and the Centre's new electronic bird sound/ picture system.

Please state if you want to cover both ID skills or have a preference for just one when you book.

Meet at the Classroom, Rosliston Forestry Centre, Burton Rd, Rosliston Swadlincote DE12 8JX

For further information on Ash Dieback Disease please follow the link to the Forestry Commission <http://www.forestry.gov.uk/chalara>. Also notices can be downloaded from this site informing people what to look out for and what to do if you think you have found a diseased tree.

EA/12 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next Meeting would be confirmed in due course.

MRS L BROWN

CHAIRMAN

The meeting terminated at 8.55pm

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AREA FORUM

MELBOURNE

10th June 2014 at Barrow upon Trent Village Hall

PRESENT:-

District Council Representatives

Councillor Harrison (Chairman) and Councillors Hewlett, Watson, Atkin, and Mrs Watson

F. McArdle (Chief Executive); Alan Bates (Environmental Development Assistant); Mandy McKeon (Services Assistant)

Derbyshire County Council Representatives

Councillors Davison and Mrs Chilton.

P. Jameson (Forum Liaison Officer).

Parish Council/Meeting Representatives

W Earp (Melbourne Parish Council); David Smith (Melbourne Parish Council); P Bickerton (Elvaston Parish Council); C Blackmore (Barrow on Trent Parish Council); T Scott (Shardlow and Great Wilne Parish Council); A Record (Weston on Trent Parish Council);

Members of the Public

A Madeley; K Whewell; E Bickerton;

MA/1 **TO NOTE THE APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIRMAN**

Noted as Councillor Harrison

MA/2 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Ken Atkin and Councillor Ed Hicklin

MA/3 **APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRMAN**

Councillor Peter Watson was happy to be appointed as Vice Chairman, nominated by Councillor Mrs Watson, Councillor Atkin was happy to second the nomination.

MA/4 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

MA/5 **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

MA/6 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Melbourne Area Forum held on 18th February 2014 were noted as an accurate record.

MA/7 **REPORT BACK ON ISSUES RAISED AT THE LAST MEETING**

The Chairman handed over to the Forum Liaison Officer to report back on those items raised at the last meeting.

Structural weight limits on bridges

Concerns regarding the canal bridge were passed to the River & Canal Trust who have confirmed that both bridges can take the 40-tonne capacity.

From a Highways perspective there are no restrictions to stop construction traffic.

South Derbyshire District Council planning enforcement team have been looking into this further because the Section 106 Agreement for that development does state that the Developer should provide a routing plan for construction traffic and as at a couple of weeks ago that had not been provided.

Swarkestone causeway – weight restriction monitoring

The Department for Transport has now responded but could not offer any advice and have informed us to seek our own legal advice. Officers are now looking for a way forward but there is nothing further to report as yet.

Action: Chairman to write to Secretary of State for Transport, Patrick McLoughlin who is a Derbyshire MP and will copy in the legal team at Matlock and Heather Wheeler, MP for South Derbyshire.

Action: Councillor David Smith requested for the letter to include advanced warning signs for drivers of vehicles over 7.5-tonnes on the A50.

Action: Councillor Davison to liaise with legal team at Matlock.

Action: Forum Liaison Officer to report back and get clarification on whether Highways Agency refused to put the large signs on the A50

because of a safety issue (it wasn't a necessary warning sign) or indeed a financial problem.

Councillor Atkin said he previously asked members of the public to write in giving details of number plates of lorry drivers going over the bridge in order to follow-up a possible prosecution. Although there is a DVLA database in the UK, would a foreign plate be prosecuted?

Forum Liaison Officer believed that Trading Standards do not have the powers to pursue vehicles from abroad. Trading Standards will issue warnings to drivers/operators found in breach of the restriction - and can prosecute on any further breaches – but it was suspected that foreign operators fell outside of their jurisdiction.

Action: Chairman said he would investigate further.

MA/8

UPDATE ON ENVIRONMENTAL VOLUNTEERING
(ITEM BROUGHT FORWARD SO A BATES COULD LEAVE MEETING)

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Swadlincote Townscape Heritage Scheme

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First part of the consultation is about the Diana Memorial Garden in Swadlincote. We are asking people how they would like to see the garden developed and how they would like to use it. Further information will follow via parish council meetings, consultation in Swadlincote, Festival of Leisure, markets, website and social media.

MA/9

PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON ISSUES RAISED BY RESIDENTS

Councillor Earp raised an issue from a Melbourne resident who contacted her that day regarding the positioning of an electricity substation, which has been moved from another location in Melbourne. The company, Western Power had approached South Derbyshire District Council with various locations where they would like to relocate this substation and were refused on 12 occasions. This substation has now been 'plonked' on the pathway next to a resident's house and is quite a substantial structure. It is not an acceptable place to be moved to due to children playing nearby. (1) Is County Council aware of this and (2) what are South Derbyshire District Council's reasons for refusal?

Action: Parish Council should write to the District Council and ask why the District has refused access for this structure on any of the properties.

Action: Forum Liaison Officer will look into it from a County Council perspective.

A resident asked for an update on whether an application had come into the council for buying land around Elvaston Castle (Borrowash Road, Harrington Villas to the right of Home Farm) for buying land on Home Farm.

Councillor Chilton commented that 10-year vision is going to cabinet on 17 June.

Action: Forum Liaison Officer had no information but would make enquiries and report back to the Forum.

A resident asked for a sign to be put up at the bottom of the bridge for cyclists to re-join the main carriageway. He is having a few problems with passers-by and his property is being damaged and rubbish being thrown outside his home. The Police have been informed.

Action: Councillor Watson agreed to notify the District Council's Green Team to request the removal of rubbish to be removed outside this property. He also gave the resident contact information for Green Team and the Police so he may contact them directly.

Councillor Atkin mentioned a problem in Melbourne with overhanging trees on Robinsons Hill. They need to be cut back for a safety point of view. A call has been put through to call Derbyshire but there seems to be a lack of reaction.

Action: Forum Liaison Officer will report back and ask for a Highways Inspector to have a look into this.

Councillor David Smith asked for some clarification on Melbourne toilets.

The Chief Executive summarised:

The Council is under a duty for all of its properties in the whole of South Derbyshire to sweat its assets and obtain the best possible use of them for the benefit of the people it represents. The Council have been approached by a buyer to purchase the site of the toilet. A valuation was requested, by the Council, to find out how much the land is worth and the offer from the buyer is a good one.

The toilets will never be taken away from Melbourne. The Council are looking to improve the facilities within the village and have enquired into relocating to the Assembly Rooms, who are in favour of this decision, should it go ahead. The Chief Executive mentioned that money from a potential sale could be ring-fenced for Melbourne and the facilities could be better, brighter, modern and more accessible.

A report had been prepared and sent to Members to look into the Assembly Room relocation. The consideration has not gone through. The Chief Executive would be prepared to sit down with his officers and the Parish Council to discuss further.

Councillor David Smith accepted the offer of the opportunity for a meeting with the Parish Council and the Chief Executive to take the matter forward.

Councillor Linda Chilton - Swarkstone Causeway, at the southern end before Wards Lane there is a tiny gimp in the wall which is noticeable coming northbound direction. The stones are off and have been for many weeks. Can action be taken?

Action: Forum Liaison Officer will look into this and report back.

Councillor David Smith - Wards Lane/Hollywell Lane from Stanton to Kings Newton there were reports it is blocked/overgrown and is impassable.

Action: Forum Liaison Officer will look into this and report back.

MA/10 **COUNTY COUNCIL ISSUES**

Councillor Davison mentioned a County Council South Derbyshire Local Area Committee - Oakland Village at 6pm – 11 June 2014.

Councillor Watson stated he was disappointed that he was not made aware of this.

Chairman suggested more details could be published in local newspapers etc.

Chairman – Reminded meeting of two outstanding consultations taking place. One on the future of Children’s Centres with a closing date of 17 June and the other on the future of mobile libraries with a closing date of 9 August to make a response for consultation.

MA/11 **DISTRICT COUNCIL ISSUES**

Councillor Watson gave an overview of The Local Plan.

MA/12 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next Meeting to be confirmed in due course.

J. HARRISON

CHAIRMAN

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AREA FORUM

SWADLINCOTE

Tuesday 17th June 2014 at Goseley Community Centre, Hartshorne

PRESENT:-

District Council Representatives

Councillor Rhind (Chairman) and Councillors, Richards, Southerd, Stuart, Tilley, Mulgrew and Mrs Heath.

B Ledger (Director of Housing and Environmental Services) and S Winfield (Service Assistant); K Allies (Environmental Development Manager)

Derbyshire County Council Representatives

Councillor Dunn and Mrs Chilton

Parish Council/Meeting Representatives

J Burley, K Coe; M Mycock (Hartshorne Parish Council); M Gee (Woodville Parish Council)

Members of the Public

L Milsom; P Delaney; S Delaney; T Morgan; S Clamp; R Causer; M Crouch; P Tribe; S Squires; V Musson; V Suddaby; J Hopper; H Eames; A Wright; Mr & Mrs T Haywood; A D Hardwick; J Hardwick; Mr & Mrs Hunt; Mrs Smith; D Staley; N Parry; J Slawson; P Slawson; M Lunn; L Johnson; Mr & Mrs J Thompson; C Tubey; A Wood; B Wood; P McKay; J McKay; J McKinstry; T McKinstry; J Seaton; S Rowland; D Rowland; M McGarry; N Reid (Swadlincote Times); H Kreft (Burton Mail); Mrs McGarry; J Mountney; J Cable; J Roth; P Jules; T Long; N Richardson-Day; S Greaves; M Ashmore; A Batchelor; D Shuttleworth; J Woodward; J Bird; H Wild; N Fenwick; A Clarke; C Landenberger; M Shepherd; R Thomas;

SA/1 **TO NOTE THE APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIRMAN**

Councillor Rhind was appointed Chairman of the Swadlincote Area Forum at Annual Council

SA/2 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies received from P Jameson (Forum Liaison Officer) Councillor Murray and Bell; C Horridge; S Horridge

SA/3 **APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRMAN**

Councillor Mulgrew was appointed Vice Chairman of the Swadlincote Area Forum

SA/4 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

SA/5 **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

SA/6 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Swadlincote Area Forum held on 4th February 2014 were noted.

SA/7 **REPORT BACK ON ISSUES RAISED AT THE LAST MEETING**

In the absence of the Forum Liaison Officer, the Chairman referred the meeting to the report back annexed to the minutes.

Item 9 - loose gulley covers. Resident confirmed that the Forum Liaison Officer has now instructed Severn Trent to address this issue

SA/8 **PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON ISSUES RAISED BY RESIDENTS**

Resident raised that speeding was a serious issue along Sandcliffe Road, Midway. It was considered that, due to a lack of signage and deterrents to slow drivers down, this was making the area dangerous. A Community Speedwatch scheme has been running to gather evidence and Derbyshire County Highways have been approached on a number of occasions to address this issue. Hartshorne Parish Council have agreed funding towards traffic calming measures. Residents are currently putting together a petition, which will be submitted to DCC by County Councillor Chilton. Residents feel the new development at the former Mason's Arms will exacerbate the situation, together with the proposed bypass from the Broomy Farm development. There is currently no signage along the whole of Sandcliffe Road.

ACTION - Forum Liaison Officer to make enquiries regarding additional signage and report back to a future meeting.

Resident discussed the proposed development at Broomy Farm Hartshorne identified in the Local Plan. A recent consultation meeting was held at Granville School to discuss this development and residents expressed disappointment in the advice available. At that meeting residents were advised that a traffic survey had been carried out, which showed a reduction in traffic but this only took into account the A511 and not the road from Swadlincote to Woodville or Woodville to Hartshorne. Resident expressed concern over the amount of traffic using the Clock Island roundabout, the additional vehicles created from Wards and Jeffrey's Haulage industrial areas, together with the proposed 440 houses at Broomy Farm.

Councillor Rhind stated that all South Derbyshire Labour Councillors disagree with the proposals in the Local Plan

Councillor Dunn confirmed there was not a DCC representative at the Granville School meeting and that County Council have not carried out a traffic impact survey. Any traffic surveys will have been carried out by Hallam Land Management.

Goseley Liaison Group raised issues with parked cars on Goseley Avenue and that it was difficult to see oncoming traffic or manoeuvre round them resulting in some vehicles having to reverse out onto the main road. It was requested that it be made into a one-way system.

ACTION - Forum Liaison Officer to make enquiries into a one-way system on Goseley Avenue and report back to a future meeting.

Resident raised concerns over the proposed bypass in that additional traffic will be travelling through Hartshorne village and using Sandcliffe Road to avoid the hold ups along the A511

Resident raised issues of speeding from the Clock Island towards Hartshorne. 200 letters were sent to County Highways asking for a representative to attend the Area Forum. Many accidents have occurred over the years and evidence of speed has been obtained from Speedwatch schemes. An additional 400 plus homes on the Broomy Farm development will make this situation worse. Hallam Land Management have released a statement to confirm they have instructed specialist highway consultants to advise on the potential impact of this development. They feel that the proposed link road would be beneficial infrastructure. They confirm that resident's concerns will be considered. Their consultants have undertaken assessments in peak hour traffic and accept that there is strong local concern about traffic flow. They have confirmed that they will discuss current speed limits with DCC Highways. The public's input was welcomed by Hallam Land Management. Residents confirmed that they have support from all agencies to reduce the speed limit and introduce traffic calming measures, together with improvements to pavements at Hartshorne Primary School.

ACTION - Forum Liaison Officer to make enquiries with Highways with regard to reducing speed limits and introducing traffic calming measures along Hartshorne Road, Woodville and Woodville Road, Hartshorne and also improving pavements at Hartshorne Primary School.

Residents raised concerns over the amount of wildlife lost with large scale construction and that plenty of brown field sites are available in the area before developing farmland.

Resident raised that Hartshorne Road was already dangerous without the proposed Broomy Farm development. The proposed 440 houses on 80 acres of land is small scale compared to a possible 1200 houses on that amount of land (based on 15 per acre). Resident discussed Section 106 Agreements between the developer and the District Council, which can provide funding to address the road issues. Dr's Surgeries and the highway.

Resident raised that existing plots of land include 6 acres along Nadin Way, two plots near Aldi in Swadlincote and a multitude of brown field sites around Swadlincote which are ready to develop with existing road infrastructure.

Councillor Taylor discussed Section 106 Agreement monies being subject to profit from the development. The Area Forum was not a meeting arranged for Broomy Farm, but covered issues from the surrounding area. Councillor Taylor confirmed that he did not support the Broomy Farm development and was well aware of the impact on the surrounding area. Certain sites are not suitable and Broomy Farm was one.

Resident supported Councillor Taylor's views and discussed the Tesco development on the High Street and the impact that has on traffic through Woodville. Resident stressed the need to improve the infrastructure in the area.

Councillor Chilton confirmed that she was working closely with the residents in Sandcliffe Road and stressed that County Council and the District Council do have a close working relationship. Cllr Chilton stated that some brown field sites were not in the right position.

Resident discussed flooding issues on Hartshorne Road. Issues are with storm drains and building on farm land will make this worse as it is a natural drainage area. Old reed beds have already been developed. It was raised that an environmental assessment hasn't been carried out. Councillor Rhind confirmed that this would only be done once a planning application was received.

The Director of Housing and Environmental Services discussed the purpose of the meeting and that it was not arranged specifically to discuss Broomy Farm. Resident's views will be reported back to relevant officers. Some brown field sites are being progressed but some are in private ownership and are small in size.

Resident raised that the right turn on the island towards Bridge Street, Albert Village in Church Gresley has very bad visibility due to overgrown verges

ACTION - Director of Housing and Environmental Services to make enquiries and report back to a future meeting.

Coppice Side pipeworks development - resident raised that the island was going to be cut back but this has not been done.

ACTION – Director of Housing and Environmental Services to contact SDDC grass cutting team and report back to a future meeting.

Serious potholes on Albert Road, Church Gresley

ACTION- Forum Liaison Officer to make enquiries and report back to a future meeting.

Drainage issues were discussed along Hartshorne Road, specifically storm water draining capacity. Water flows into the brook and the capacity of the pipes is insufficient. It was requested that Severn Trent be invited to a future meeting to address these problems.

ACTION Severn Trent Water to be invited to a future meeting.

SA/9 **UPDATE ON ENVIRONMENTAL VOLUNTEERING**

Postponed to a future meeting

SA/10 **COUNTY COUNCIL ISSUES**

None

SA/11 **DISTRICT COUNCIL ISSUES**

None

SA/12 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next Meeting would be confirmed in due course.

G RHIND

CHAIRMAN

The Meeting terminated at 8.30 pm

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AREA FORUM

NEWHALL

17th July 2014 at the Newhall Centre, Newhall

PRESENT:-

District Council Representatives

Councillor Mr Richards (Chairman) and Councillors Mulgrew, Wilkins, Dunn and Mrs Mead

F McArdle (Chief Executive) and Alan Bates (Environmental Educational Project) J Marson (Service Assistant).

Derbyshire County Council Representatives

P Jameson (Forum Liaison Officer).

Members of the Public

C Maddock; R House; G Hall; R Trim; Mr & Mrs Foster; N Cockayne, J Cockayne, C Fox, G Fox, J Scalon, J P Cantrill, B & S Harris; M Richards; S Kaur

NA/1 **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN**

Cllr Kevin Richards

NA/2 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence for the meeting was received from Councillors Bambrick, Pearson and A Argent, C. Gillespie

NA/3 **APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRMAN**

Cllr Mick Mulgrew

NA/4 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

NA/5 **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

NA/6 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Newhall Area Forum held on 5th February 2014 were agreed.

NA/7 **REPORT BACK ON ISSUES RAISED AT THE LAST MEETING**

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

Traffic lights on A444 at Stanton. Residents raised that the lights are not giving enough time and contested they were correct as they give only 8 seconds to pull out of Park Road and then the A444 traffic is on green.

Signal Engineers looked into this and the 8 seconds is within the Department for Transport guidelines. The public do not agree with the Signal Engineers and invite them to come and see on a Sunday.

Resident raised that County Council clean the rubbish from a culvert adjacent to the village hall. Rubbish was left on the bank and ended up back in the water. Culvert needs cleaning out again and the rubbish removed from site.

The brook that passes beneath the culvert is classed as a main watercourse; the flood risk is managed by the EA and concerns have been passed onto them.

It was raised that new public styles are not very wide and it is difficult for people to pass through. A resident had torn clothing when trying to pass through. One in particular is near to the Manor House.

It has been assumed that this query relates to footpath no.99. On investigation it was observed that there is only one stile on the route. It is acknowledged that the style is narrow, but made of metal, and not something you would easily tear clothing on. There is a further stile at the side of the route – giving access into an adjacent field – but this is not an official Right of Way. It would be useful if the resident could clarify whether the route investigated is the correct one.

NA/8 **PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON ISSUES RAISED BY RESIDENTS**

The redevelopment in Midway, the play area to be repositioned. Mr Foster contacted the offices and has received no response or seen the plans. Cllr Wilkins said that amended plans had been put forward but he had not received consultation and the amendments have been passed.

Action: Frank McArdle to look into.

New Flats off Oversetts Road, where local residents were sent letters informing them that the residents would be Ex Offenders and Drug Offenders. Some residents attended a local meeting where they were told that 4 flats were for people needing homes and the other 4 are for people with Special Needs and there will be a warden on site.

Resident reported that 25 occasions had been logged with times and dates of problems with the noise from the Gun Club. John Mills – Environmental Officer is liaising with the resident and club and is doing an excellent job. They are looking into opening times Councillor Richards said this could be done through Enforcement law.

There was a meeting held regarding 600 houses being built near Golf Course this was with the developers. Asked what Leisure facilities in Newhall and Swadlincote.

East Staffordshire has received a growth fund will South Derbyshire be getting any. There is a meeting to be held with Derbyshire County Council but we have put forward Woodville Development and Drakelow Park.

A resident asked about what to do if you want your area to have a Parish Council – this can be done under the Localism Bill. There are 6,500 residents in Stanton and Newhall area 10% need to sign a petition wanting a Parish Council; they are trying to reduce the % to 7.5%. Funding has been granted for this through Mrs Orme. A meeting is to be held at Old Post Centre on Thursday 24th July 2014 Clare Orme is pushing for a Newhall and Stanton Parish Council.

Amenity Site in Newhall is planting Samplings is this area going to be part of the National Forest?

NA/9 **UPDATE ON ENVIRONMENTAL VOLUNTEERING – ALAN BATES**

This project aims to help local groups like Parish Councils and Footpath/Wildlife Groups find volunteers to do environmental tasks on their land, or land they manage. It will also provide suitable tasks for businesses and other groups (e.g. Derby University students, Rolls Royce, Bison and Toyota) wishing to volunteer for ½ day (or more) on an environmental task.

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SWADLINCOTE TOWNSCAPE SCHEME

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The first part of the consultation is about the Diana Memorial Garden in Swadlincote and we are asking people how they would like to see the garden developed and how they would like to use it.

Info will follow via:

- letters to Clerks to Parish Councils
- consultation in Swadlincote eg at Festival of Leisure, Markets
- website and social media information

Can show people summary with more information at the end of the meeting if they want it?

Any questions please contact:

(general project info) 01283 228764

@south-derbys.gov.uk (Diana Garden consultation) 01283 595936

Kate.allies@south-derbys.gov.uk or ellen.hill@south-derbys.gov.uk (events and activities) 01283 535039.

For further information on the above please see attached links:-



Env Forum
programme 2014-201



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NA/10 **COUNTY COUNCIL ISSUES**

There was a press conference held on Tuesday to inform people how the cuts of 157 million will be implemented. They are going to delay cuts and dig into reserves and are encouraging people to be able to stay at home instead of being hospitalised.

School Governor of Fairfield Crescent Junior School – Said every senior school in the area are under special measurements so there is a need for a new school.

Councillor Mulgrew said that Granville is not in special measures. Councillor Mrs Mead said most schools are in special measures but they are all working hard to get out of them and believes this will be in near future.

Pingle School last 3 interim reports are improving at a good rate and are coming out of special measures by next year.

There is no funding for a new school – but County Council are still looking into this. 14,000 houses are to be built by 2030 under the Government.

NA/11 **DISTRICT COUNCIL ISSUES**

Frank McArdle started by outlining what has been achieved and what is the vision for Swadlincote within open spaces and recreational sites there has been £4,400 million brought into Swadlincote through the regeneration of the town and his will continue into the future.

The Golf course is nearing completion for a 18 hole and pitch and put course the Council is working in partnership with the Golf Company to get the balance right between the course and open space. The proposed application is up to 600 houses and the money will go into regeneration of the golf course and Grove Hall. With Grove Hall the council are looking into modern facilities for the younger generation e.g. climbing Walls and other extreme sports. The application is believed to be submitted mid September.

Council Depot – This will be moving to a new facility on Nadins Way next to Bison where a new road is being built. The new depot will be a multipurpose facility net receipt of a million pounds. The old depot site on Darklands Road is desirable for development.

The development at Chestnut Avenue was praised.

The piece of land between Stanton Chapel and Lakes is under offer. The scheme is for open space and greenbelt and this land is protected and cannot be developed for housing.

The old depot site will not be a DIY Store but proposed development will be more family orientated. We have the new Massey's store and we should support local businesses.

There was talk about a theatre opening up in Swadlincote and Frank McArdle is trying for a link between Sharpes, Amp theatre and the Town Hall with the Quad in Derby. There will hopefully be a Travelling Theatre in early spring coming to Swadlincote. We do have at present Sharpes and the Glade at Rosliston and Calke Abbey that do all kinds of plays, concerts and many more entertainment for the area. All details can be found on the websites and they are advertised in the Tourist Information centre at Sharpes.

NA/12 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next Meeting is 30th September 2014 at Rowland Memorial Hall, Midway

Councillor Kevin Richards

CHAIRMAN

The Meeting terminated at 8.31 pm

COUNCIL 25TH SEPTEMBER - ITEM 11

COMPOSITION OF COMMITTEES, SUB-COMMITTEES AND WORKING PANELS **2014/15**

FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (13)

Conservative Group (7)

Councillor Mrs. Watson (Chairman), Councillors Jones (Vice-Chairman) and Councillors Hewlett, Murray, Smith, Watson and Wheeler.

Labour Group (6)

Councillors Bell, Rhind, Richards, Southerd, Taylor and Wilkins.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE (13)

Conservative Group (7)

Councillor Watson (Chairman), Councillor Roberts (Vice-Chairman) and Councillors Mrs. Brown, Ford, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Patten and Stanton.

Labour Group (6)

Councillors Chahal, Frost, Mulgrew, Stuart, Taylor and Tilley.

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE (13)

Conservative Group (7)

Councillor Hewlett, (Chairman), Councillor Smith (Vice-Chairman) and Councillors Ford, Harrison, Mrs. Hood, Lemmon and Murray.

Labour Group (6)

Councillors Dunn, Frost, Mulgrew, Rhind, Richards and Shepherd.

PLANNING COMMITTEE (13)

Conservative Group (7)

Councillor Ford (Chairman), Councillor Mrs. Brown (Vice-Chairman) and Councillors Bale, Mrs. Hall, Jones, Stanton and Watson.

Labour Group (6)

Councillors Bell, Dunn, Pearson, Richards, Shepherd and Southerd

LICENSING AND APPEALS COMMITTEE (15)

Conservative Group (7)

Councillor Stanton (Chairman) and Councillors Atkin, Bale, Harrison, Mrs. Patten, Watson and Wheeler.

Labour Group (8)

Councillors Bell, Dunn, Frost, Mrs. Heath, Rhind, Richards, Southerd and Wilkins.

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (8)

Conservative Group (4)

Councillor Mrs. Plenderleith (Chairman), Councillor Atkin (Vice-Chairman) and Councillors Mrs. Hood and Mrs. Patten.

Labour Group (4)

Councillors Bambrick, Heath, Mrs Mead and Pearson.

STANDARDS COMMITTEE (6)

Conservative Group (3)

Councillors Harrison (Chairman), Stanton (Vice-Chairman) and Murray.

Labour Group (3)

Councillors Mrs. Mead and Pearson (one other to be confirmed)

JOINT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE (5)

Conservative Group (3)

Councillors Harrison, Mrs. Watson and Wheeler.

Labour Group (2)

Councillors Richards and Southerd

ETWALL LEISURE CENTRE JOINT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (3)

Conservative Group (2)

Councillors Bale and Lemmon.

Labour Group (1)

Councillor Shepherd

AUDIT SUB-COMMITTEE (5)

Conservative Group (3)

Councillor Harrison (Chairman), Councillor Ford (Vice-Chairman) and Councillor Murray.

Labour Group (2)

Councillors Dunn and Shepherd

HERITAGE GRANTS SUB-COMMITTEE (4)

Conservative Group (2)

Councillors Bale and Hewlett.

Labour Group (2)

Councillors Southerd and Taylor.

SINGLE STATUS STEERING GROUP (3)

Conservative Group (2)

Councillors Harrison and Wheeler.

Labour Group (1)

Councillor Wilkins

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP SCHEME ASSESSMENT PANEL (5)

Conservative Group (3)

Councillors Bale, Harrison and Wheeler.

Labour Group (2)

Councillors Rhind and Taylor

CORE STRATEGY WORKING PANEL (5)

Conservative Group (3)

Councillors Hewlett, Smith and Watson.

Labour Group (2)

Councillors Rhind and Taylor

CORPORATE SERVICES STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP BOARD (3)

Conservative Group (2)

Councillors Harrison and Wheeler.

Labour Group (1)

Councillor Richards

LOCAL PLAN OFFICER/MEMBER WORKING GROUP (6)

Conservative Group (3)

Councillors Watson (Chairman) and Councillors Mrs. Plenderleith and Stanton.

Labour Group (3)

Councillors Shepherd, Southerd and Taylor

AREA FORUM COMPOSITIONS

ETWALL

(Comprising Members from Etwall, Hatton and Hilton Wards)

Conservative Group

Councillors Bale, Mrs. Brown, Lemmon, Mrs. Patten, Mrs. Plenderleith and Roberts.

LINTON

(Comprising Members from Linton and Seales Wards)

Conservative Group [Page 123 of 129](#)

Councillors Mrs. Hall, Jones and Wheeler.

Labour Group
Councillor Frost.

MELBOURNE

(Comprising Members from Aston and Melbourne Wards)

Conservative Group
Councillors Atkin, Harrison, Hewlett, Mrs. Watson and Watson.

NEWHALL

(Comprising Members from Midway and Newhall & Stanton Wards)

Labour Group
Councillors Bambrick, Dunn, Mrs. Mead, Pearson, Richards and Wilkins.

REPTON

(Comprising Members from Repton, Stenson and Willington & Findern Wards)

Conservative Group
Councillors Ford, Mrs. Hood, Smith and Stanton.

Labour Group
Councillors Chahal and Shepherd.

SWADLINCOTE

(Comprising Members from Church Gresley, Swadlincote and Woodville Wards)

Conservative Group
Councillor Murray.

Labour Group
Councillors Bell, Mrs. Heath, Mulgrew, Rhind, Southerd, Stuart, Taylor and Tilley.

SUBSTITUTE PANELS 2014/15

Amended following Council – 3rd July 2014

FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Conservative Group (7)

Councillors Atkin, Bale, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Hood, Lemmon, Roberts and Stanton.

Labour Group (6)

Councillors Chahal, Dunn, Frost Mulgrew, Stuart and Tilley

ENVIRONMENTAL AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE

Conservative Group (7)

Councillors Atkin, Harrison, Jones, Lemmon, Murray, Smith and Wheeler.

Labour Group (6)

Councillors Dunn, Rhind, Richards, Shepherd, Southerd and Wilkins

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Conservative Group (7)

Councillors Bale, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Plenderleith, Roberts, Stanton, Watson and Wheeler.

Labour Group (6)

Councillors Bell, Chahal, Southerd, Stuart, Taylor and Wilkins

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Conservative Group (7)

Councillors Hewlett, Mrs. Hood, Lemmon, Murray, Mrs. Patten, Roberts and Wheeler.

Labour Group (6)

Councillors Bambrick, Mrs Heath, Rhind, Stuart, Taylor and Mulgrew

JOINT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

Conservative Group (3)

Councillors Hewlett, Mrs. Patten and Watson

Labour Group (2)

Councillors Rhind and Taylor

ETWALL LEISURE CENTRE JOINT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Conservative Group (2)

Councillors Mrs. Plenderleith and Roberts.

Labour Group (1)

Councillor Chahal

HERITAGE GRANTS SUB-COMMITTEE

Conservative Group (2)

Councillors Atkin and Smith.

Labour Group (2)

Councillor Bell and Mrs Heath

SINGLE STATUS STEERING GROUP

Conservative Group (2)

Councillors Mrs Hood and Mrs. Watson.

Labour Group (1)

Councillor Richards

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP SCHEME ASSESSMENT PANEL

Conservative Group (3)

Councillors Atkin, Mrs. Hood and Lemmon.

Labour Group (2)

Councillors Southerd and Tilley

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SCHEDULE OF PERSONS NOMINATED FOR SERVICES AS REPRESENTATIVES OF THE COUNCIL ON OUTSIDE BODIES FOR 2014/15

(Amended by Council July 3rd 2014)

Organisation	Representative(s)
1. Acre Lane, Shardlow Sand & Gravel Site Liaison Committee	Councillor P Watson Councillor A Watson (sub)
2. Adult Care Services Board(Supporting People).	Chairman of Housing and Community Services Committee
3. Arts Derbyshire	Councillor J Hewlett
4. Association of Retained Council Houses Ltd. (ARCH)	Councillor J Hewlett Director of Housing and Environmental Services
5. Building Control Joint Working Project Board.	Chairman of Environmental & Development Services Committee
6. Burton Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust Governors	Councillor A Plenderleith
7. Central Midlands Audit Partnership Board	Chairman of Audit Sub-Committee Vice-Chairman of Audit Sub-Committee (sub)
8. Community Arts Project (“People Express”) Management Committee	Councillor A. Hood Councillor P Smith
9. Community Transport (Swadlincote) Management Committee	Councillor M Hall
10. Derby Airfield Consultative Committee	Councillor M Ford
11. Derbyshire Economic Partnership Board	Councillor R Wheeler
12. Derby and Derbyshire Strategic Leadership Forum	Councillor R Wheeler Councillor J Harrison(sub) Chief Executive Monitoring Officer (sub)
13. Derby and Sandiacre Canal Trust Ltd	Councillor M Stanton
14. Derbyshire Hate Crime Panel	Councillor J Patten
15. Derbyshire Partnership Forum	Councillor R Wheeler
16. Derbyshire Police and Crime Panel	Councillor A Plenderleith Councillor N Atkin (sub)
17. Derbyshire Sport	Councillor P Smith
18. Donington Park Racing Circuit Liaison Committee	Councillor P Watson Councillor N Atkin (sub) Councillor J Harrison (sub)
19. East Midlands Airport	Councillor J Harrison

Independent Consultative Committee	Councillor N Atkin (sub)
20. East Midlands Airport Liaison Committee	Aston, Melbourne and Repton Ward Members
21. East Midlands Arts	Councillor J Patten
22. East Midlands Councils	Councillor R Wheeler
23. Elvaston Quarry Waste Disposal Site Liaison Committee	Councillor P Watson Councillor Mrs A Watson(sub)
24. Environmental Education Project Steering Group	Councillor J Hewlett
25. Goseley Community Centre Committee	Councillor P Murray Councillor S Taylor
26. Heart of the Forest Forum	Councillor M Stanton
27. Hilton Harriers Mease Management Committee	Councillor J Patten
28. Homestart	Councillor P Smith
29. Local Government Association (London)	Councillor R Wheeler (General Assembly) Councillor J Harrison (Rural Commission) Councillor P Watson (Urban Commission)
30. Local Government Information Unit	Councillor R Wheeler Councillor J Harrison (sub)
31. Melbourne Sporting Partnership	Director of Community and Planning
32. New Albion Revised Liaison Committee	Councillor P Watson
33. Next Step Against Domestic Abuse	Councillor J Patten
34. Parking and Traffic Regulations (outside London) Adjudication Joint Committee	Councillor P Watson
35. Pingle Artificial Turf Pitch Management Group	Councillor P Smith
36. Relate	Councillor J Patten
37. Rosliston and Caldwell Village Hall Management Committee	Councillor R Wheeler
38. Rosliston Forestry Centre Management Executive	Councillor J Hewlett
39. Rosliston Forestry Community Group	Councillor R Wheeler
40. Rural Action Derbyshire	Councillor M Stanton
41. Safer South Derbyshire Partnership Strategic Group	Councillor R Wheeler Councillor J Hewlett (sub)
42. Shardlow Heritage Centre Museum Working Group	Councillor M Stanton
43. Sharpe's Pottery Heritage & Arts Trust Ltd.	Councillor J Hewlett Councillor P Smith Councillor M Stanton Councillor R Wheeler

44. Sir John Port and John Osbourne Almshouses Charitable Trust	Councillor J Lemmon
45. Social Care Forum	Councillor P Smith
46. South Derbyshire Citizens' Advice Bureau	Councillor J Hewlett Councillor C Jones
47. South Derbyshire CVS	Councillor M Hall Councillor C Jones
48. South Derbyshire Partnership	Councillor R Wheeler Councillor J Harrison Councillor K Richards Councillor T Southerd (sub) Chief Executive
49. South Derbyshire Mental Health Association	Councillor J Hewlett
50. South Derbyshire Music Trust Management Committee	Councillor M Hall
51. South Derbyshire Strategic Sports Group	Councillor P Smith Councillor J Hewlett (sub)
52. Swarkestone Pit, Barrow-on-Trent Sand and Gravel Site Liaison Committee	Councillor P Watson Councillor A Watson (sub)
53. Toyota Community Liaison Committee	Councillor R Wheeler Councillor J Lemmon
54. Visit Peak District and Derbyshire	Councillor M Stanton