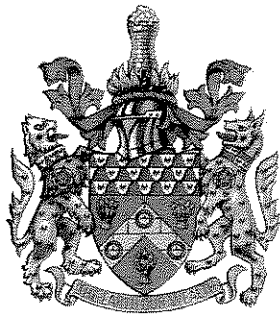


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Monday
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Repton Village Hall
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COUNCIL	Thursday 12.11.09
Repton Area Forum at 7.00 p.m. at Repton Village Hall	Monday, 16.11.09
Environmental & Development Services	Thursday 19.11.09
Development Control	Tuesday 24.11.09
Linton Area Forum at 7.00 p.m. at Overseal Village Hall	Wednesday, 25.11.09
Housing & Community Services	Thursday 26.11.09
Finance & Management	Thursday 3.12.09
Overview & Scrutiny	Wednesday 9.12.09
Development Control	Tuesday 15.12.09
Audit Sub (4.00 p.m.)	Wednesday 16.12.09

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SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

**SOUTH DERBYSHIRE
AREA FORUM
REPTON**

(Covering Bretby, Hartshorne, Milton, Newton Solney, Repton, Willington and Woodville)

**Meeting to be held at
Repton Village Hall,
Askew Grove, Repton**

**on Monday, 16th November 2009
at 7.00 p.m.**

(Light Refreshments will be available at 6.30 p.m.)

Members:

District Councillors: Councillor Bladen (Chairman) and Councillors Ford (Vice-Chairman), Mrs. Gillespie, Mrs. Hood, Murray, Stanton, Taylor and Mrs. Wheeler.

County Councillors: Councillors Ford (Vice-Chairman), Murray and Mrs. Farrington.

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BUSINESS

1. Apologies for absence.
2. Declarations of Interest.
3. Police issues.
4. Chairman's Announcements.
5. To note the Minutes of the Meeting held on 20th July 2009 (copy attached).
6. Presentation by Money Spider Credit Union.
7. South Derbyshire Partnership; New Sustainable Community Strategy.
8. Report back on issues raised at the last Meeting.
9. Public questions on issues raised by residents.
10. County Council issues.
11. District Council issues: Electoral Review of South Derbyshire by Boundary Committee for England
12. Dates of Future Meetings:
 - Wednesday, 27th January 2010 at Woodville Infants School, High Street, Woodville
 - Wednesday, 7th April 2010 at Goseley Community Centre, Hartshill Road, Hartshorne

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AREA FORUM

REPTON

20th July 2009

PRESENT:-

District Council Representatives

Councillor Bladen (Chairman) and Councillors Ford, Mrs. Gillespie, Mrs. Hood and Taylor.

F. McArdle (Chief Executive), P. Spencer (Democratic Services) and K. Ward (Helpdesk).

Derbyshire County Council Representatives

Councillor Ford.

P. Jameson (Forum Liaison Officer).

Derbyshire Constabulary

Sergeant M. Sisman.

Parish Council/Meeting Representatives

D. Buchanan and A. Topliss (Newton Solney Parish Council), R. Paulson and J. Shortt (Repton Parish Council), P. Rickett (Willington Parish Council) and R. Statham (Woodville Parish Council).

Members of the Public

J. Cownie, S. Cownie, A. Gillespie, A. Jones, C. Manifold, J. Orme, P. Pearson, G. Varty, D. Ward, C. Warren and G. Wass.

RA/1. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN**

It was noted that Councillor Bladen had been appointed Chairman of the Repton Area Forum at the Annual Council Meeting.

RA/2. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence from the Meeting were received from Mark Todd M.P., District Councillor Mrs. Wheeler, A. Gifford (Willington Parish Council), N. Cumming (Repton Parish Council) and A. Mayger.

RA/3. **APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN**

It was agreed that District and County Councillor M. Ford be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Repton Area Forum for the ensuing year.

RA/4. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Ford declared a personal interest in the County Council's consultation on Minerals and Waste Planning, as Chairman of that Authority's Development Control Committee.

RA/5. **POLICE ISSUES**

Sergeant Sisman advised that he had recently become the seconded police officer working with the Safer South Derbyshire Partnership. He gave an update on the police staffing for this part of the District and a report on progress with the issues raised at the previous meeting. It was planned to produce a leaflet over the coming weeks with police contact details and this would be circulated via the Area Forums and Safer Neighbourhood Meetings. An explanation was given of how the Constabulary tackled anti-social behaviour and, related to this, the County Council's action on dealing with minor offences was also discussed. The Sergeant then spoke about activities for young people and feedback was provided on the car vandalism problems in Church Gresley.

Questions were invited and the first concerned problems associated with youth activities on the Mitre Field at Repton. A particular individual was thought to be causing problems and attendance by a PCSO was requested. This issue had been raised previously. **Sergeant Sisman agreed to pursue this request.**

Concerns were raised about the vandalism of waiting room seats and those on the platform at Willington Station. There were safety concerns that objects could be thrown onto the rail lines. A further issue, raised at a previous meeting concerned a broken window and an unsightly temporary repair which needed to be fixed properly. **Sergeant Sisman agreed to pursue these matters with Transport Police and it was agreed that the Clerk write to Network Rail to pursue the necessary repair works.**

A further problem in Willington concerned vehicles parking on pavements in Trent Avenue and Twyford Road. This was causing an obstruction to footway users. **Sergeant Sisman agreed to investigate this matter and residents were asked to contact PC Chris Fearn when such incidents occurred.** PC Fearn could be contacted at the Swadlincote Police Station on (0345) 123 3333. The Sergeant concluded his presentation by giving an update on crime statistics.

RA/6. **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Repton Area Forum held on 20th April 2009 were noted.

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

Information had been circulated with the agenda to provide an update on the issues raised at the last meeting. The Forum Liaison Officer gave supplementary information on those issues referred to Derbyshire County Council and in particular, the highway problems in Woodville. This was discussed by Woodville representatives, who were concerned about the condition of the road traffic island adjacent to the Clock Garage. The proposed feasibility study to investigate ways of giving protection to the central island was noted, but there was a need for urgent repair works, due to the poor condition of the traffic island presently. The County Council's report also made reference to the Swadlincote Regeneration Route, as a longer-term means of alleviating congestion. It was questioned when this would be completed, but given the substantial external funding that would be required, there was no definitive date for the completion of this route. A local Councillor added that the problems of congestion in High Street, Woodville were amongst some of the worst in South Derbyshire, which in turn was the sixth fastest growing area in the Country. He felt there should surely be some way to secure funding for the required regeneration route.

A further highway safety issue concerned on-street parking in Newton Solney and there was a need for parking restrictions, particularly in the vicinity of the Village Hall.

The Forum Liaison Officer noted all the comments submitted and would refer these back to colleagues at the County Council.

An update was also provided on those issues referred to the District Council at the previous meeting. Further feedback was awaited on the untidy condition of the Willington Station site, regarding how the Primary Care Trust utilised funding from Section 106 Agreements and the risks associated with airborne dust. These issues would be pursued again and reported back to the next Area Forum Meeting.

RA/8. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON ISSUES RAISED BY RESIDENTS**

Notice had been given by Mr. Orme of Willington of a question about Area Forum boundaries. Mr. Orme gave a summary of his question, which sought a review of boundaries to make the area covered by this Forum similar to that for the Safer Neighbourhood Meeting. The Chairman responded by thanking Mr. Orme for the suggestion, which was noted and could be taken into consideration in the future, as and when a district-wide review of forum boundaries took place.

In Newton Solney there were plans for a vehicle speed activated warning sign and local representatives sought an update on when this would be installed. The Forum Liaison Officer gave an update on the difficulties in identifying a

suitable power source and a scheme brief had been requested. School Safety Zone signs had also been requested and these were still to be activated.

The Forum Liaison Officer agreed to research these items and to provide a report back to the next Area Forum.

There was concern about the abuse of weight limits in villages between the A38/A50 at Toyota and Swadlincote. It was requested that Trading Standards take a pro-active approach to this problem. The local County Member gave an update and this issue had been referred to the relevant officer at Derbyshire County Council. A Trading Standards Monitoring Form was available for residents to take details of vehicles considered to be breaching weight limits. This was acknowledged, but it was difficult for residents to be aware of those companies with rights of access to nearby business premises.

A point was made about the costs associated with providing public toilets. A comparison was drawn to the overall costs, which were reducing over the coming years and the increased charge levied to Willington Parish Council for the toilets within that Village. A response was provided to the points raised. There was also discussion about anticipated cuts in public service expenditure following the next Parliamentary Election. This point was acknowledged and the Chief Executive referred to a presentation later in the meeting, which would give a summary of key findings from a local priorities consultation. There was a difficult balance between delivering the services that people wanted without increasing levels of Council Tax unnecessarily.

In the Woodville area, there was a planning gain agreement for the provision of a new pedestrian crossing near to the junction of the A511 with Lincoln Way. An update was sought on when the crossing would be provided, as there were safety concerns for the numerous children crossing the A511 at this location to access the Granville School. Additionally, in Moira Road, Woodville, works were due to be undertaken associated with the Woodville Woodlands Scheme. An update was sought on both items.

The Forum Liaison Officer agreed to research these items and to provide a report back to the next Repton Area Forum.

RA/9. **COUNTY COUNCIL ISSUES**

The Forum Liaison Officer reported that Derbyshire County Council and Derby City Council had jointly begun preparing new plans, which would set out where and when new minerals and waste development would take place over the next 20 years. Information was circulated to those present, which explained more about the plans. The County Council was carrying out further consultation and asked, if any residents had opinions about what the minerals and/or waste plans should contain, that they express their views. In addition, they would include any person or organisation that wished to be consulted regularly in their list of consultees. It was pointed out that residents could get involved at any

stage, but it was important to register interest early in the process, if they wished to influence the plans from the start.

To express a view or to register, it was requested that people email: wasteminsldf@derbyshire.gov.uk or write to Andrew Hollyer, Development Plans Team, Environmental Services Department, Derbyshire County Council, Shand House, Dale Road South, Matlock, DE4 3RY.

A question was submitted about how specific the proposals resulting from this consultation exercise would be. The Forum Liaison Officer agreed to undertake additional research on this aspect and would report back to a future Area Forum. To provide a context, it was noted that these consultation processes would run until 2012 and 2013 respectively. Another resident questioned whether these consultation processes would take over two years to complete. Following a meeting at Derbyshire County Council earlier in the day, it was noted that feedback would be provided to parish councils on this subject in the coming weeks. It was also noted that Derbyshire was in the top three counties nationally in terms of mineral extraction. The Planning Team would consult extensively on these issues and it was vital that local people had an input, particularly on mitigation measures. A further point was raised on the likely location of mineral extractions within South Derbyshire.

RA/10. **DISTRICT COUNCIL ISSUES: FEEDBACK ON VISION AND PRIORITIES**

Frank McArdle, Chief Executive of the District Council advised that a booklet had been circulated entitled "Local Priorities Consultation – Summary of Key Findings". He reported that during 2008 and early 2009, the District Council had consulted key stakeholders on priorities for the District. A wide range of consultation methods were used and the results had informed two key documents, being the Council's Corporate Plan and South Derbyshire's Sustainable Community Strategy. The booklet gave a summary of the key findings following this consultation. Residents were thanked for giving their views. A resident commented on transport issues and particularly public services for the area.

RA/11. **DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

It was reported that the next Repton Area Forum would be held in November 2009. Details of the venue and exact date would be confirmed by letter. Future Area Forum Meeting dates were confirmed as 27th January 2010 at the Woodville Infants School and 7th April at the Goseley Community Centre.

J. BLADEN

CHAIRMAN

The Meeting terminated at 8.00 p.m.

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

REPTON AREA FORUM

(Covering Bretby, Hartshorne, Milton, Newton Solney, Repton, Willington and Woodville)

16th November 2009

REPORT BACK ON ISSUES RAISED AT THE LAST MEETING

At the last Repton Area Meeting held on 20th July 2009, at Newton Solney Village Hall, Main Street, Newton Solney the following issues were raised. The issues are listed below, together with progress made to date:-

Derbyshire County Council Issues

1. Concern was raised about the condition of the road traffic island adjacent to the Clock Garage, Woodville. Derbyshire County Council is still awaiting the results of the study into how to improve the roundabout to aid traffic flow and reduce damage to the island.

The loose bricks have now been removed from the centre island. Concrete is to be placed where the blocks have been removed as a temporary measure until a decision is taken on what to do with the island.

2. Reference was made to the Swadlincote Regeneration Route as a longer-term means of alleviating congestion at the Clock Garage roundabout. The local Councillor's concerns regarding the situation have been passed to the appropriate County Council Transportation Officer. The Forum will continue to be kept updated in regard to any progress with the Swadlincote Regeneration Route.
3. Concern was raised regarding on-street parking in Newton Solney, including the need for parking restrictions, particularly in the vicinity of the Village Hall. The County Council's Traffic and Safety Manager is of the view that vehicles parking on the carriageway in this vicinity, resulting in passing traffic having to give way to oncoming vehicles, does not give any cause for concern. There are therefore no plans

to introduce waiting restrictions in this location, in what is an entirely rural setting.

4. An update was sought on plans for a vehicle speed activated warning sign in Newton Solney. The County Council's Traffic and Safety Officer dealing with this issue has confirmed that there is now a supplier/contractor for the electronic sign which, it is hoped, will speed procurement up compared to previously. It is anticipated that the sign should be installed and operational within the next two months.
5. It was queried when the School Safety Zone in Main Street, Newton Solney would be operational. The County Council's Traffic Signal section has advised that a sign manufacturer has been chosen and orders have been placed for the necessary equipment. The system should be in place and operational in the near future.

Following the request for additional signage entering Main Street from the direction of Bretby (Newton Lane junction), the County Council has advised that it will be difficult to site signs on the approach from Bretby. However, the request will be investigated and signs provided if possible.

6. Updates were requested on the situation regarding Section 106 planning agreement works in association with developments at Lincoln Way and Moira Road, Woodville.

With regard to the Lincoln Way development, enquiries are still ongoing with the County Council's Legal Services section and any further updates will be reported at the Meeting. The District Council's Head of Planning Services has advised that, to date, £2,000 of funding has been received and a further £28,000 remains outstanding.

The County Council has allocated £40,000 of Section 106 funding in order to introduce traffic calming on Moira Road. However, the installation of traffic calming cannot be sought until the route is protected by a permanent weight restriction. The weight restriction cannot be introduced until Occupation Lane is closed, which is part of the planning agreement. It is expected that the closure will be undertaken under the Town & Country Planning Act at the developer's expense. The District Council is progressing the Planning Act Order so that the closure can be completed. Following completion, the weight restriction and subsequent traffic calming can be progressed.

7. Following a presentation on the consultation on the Waste and Mineral Core Strategy Plans, it was queried whether the completed plans would include specific sites and how long the consultation period would last. The County Council has now advised that it is

expected that some site allocations, or indications of locations where specific site boundaries can't be identified, will be included. However, the sites will be limited to those necessary to show that the strategies are realistic and can be implemented.

The County Council is happy to receive the views of community forums, parish councils, private individuals, business, etc., throughout 2009 and 2010. During that time, some structured consultations will be undertaken. The next formal consultation is expected to be in late autumn of this year and will encompass issues and options for the Waste Core Strategy. However, representations can be made at any time. In addition, the County Council's website, www.derbyshire.gov.uk, will be kept up to date on progress in this matter.

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Police Issues

1. Concern was raised regarding problems associated with youth activities on the Mitre Field at Repton. Attendance by a PCSO was requested and it had been agreed to pursue this matter. Any further update will be provided at the Meeting.
2. Safety concerns were raised following vandalism at Willington Station. It had been agreed to pursue the matter with Transport Police and any further update will be provided at the Meeting.
3. Obstruction to footways users by vehicles parking on pavements in Trent Avenue and Twyford Road, Willington was reported. It had been agreed to investigate the matter further and an update will be provided at the Meeting.

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South Derbyshire District Council Issues

1. Concern was raised about the vandalism of waiting room seats and those on the platform at Willington Station. Reference was also

made to a broken window and unsightly temporary repair. As requested, the issues have been referred to Network Rail for attention. It has subsequently been advised that this Company is responsible for the railway tracks only. The matters have therefore been referred to East Midlands Trains and Officers have now actioned work orders to remedy the problems. It is anticipated that the works will be completed by the end of the month.

The District Council's Planning Enforcement Officer has also been monitoring the site and has now concluded that it is unable to be dealt with as an untidy site. However, it is anticipated that the aforementioned works will remedy the situation.

2. During the Derbyshire Primary Care Trust (PCT) presentation at a previous Meeting, discussion was undertaken regarding expenditure by the PCT of capital sums accumulated from Section 106 Agreements, following significant residential developments. The PCT's Head of Primary Care Finance has now advised that the Section 106 funding was retrospectively for developments already funded by the PCT. The PCT can demonstrate that it spent in excess of £1m in premises development each year.

The District Council's Head of Planning Services has advised that contributions spent have included the Swadlincote Health Centre providing many services including dentistry in a community hospital setting, as well as a GP practice. It has also been agreed to build a new GP practice in Church Gresley. An additional £635,000 of NHS dentistry has been commissioned from local practices and this has facilitated the opening of a new surgery on Hartshorne Road.

3. Following concerns raised regarding airborne dust arising from the business activities of a local company in Woodville causing a potential health hazard, the situation is being monitored by the Environment Agency.

The Environment Agency has requested that it be advised of any further similar incidents, as this is not within the remit of the District Council's Environmental Health Department. A quantity of leaflets containing the Agency's incident hotline number has been forwarded and these will be circulated at the Meeting.

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