

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AREA FORUM

ETWALL

10th May 2012

**PRESENT:-**

**District Council Representatives**

Councillor Mrs. Brown (Chairman) and Councillor Mrs. Patten (Vice-Chairman) and Councillors Lemmon, Mrs. Plenderleith and Roberts.

F. McArdle (Chief Executive) and P. Spencer (Democratic Services).

**Derbyshire County Council Representatives**

Councillor Mrs. Patten.

P. Jameson (Forum Liaison Officer).

**Parish Council/Meeting Representatives**

B. Cowley and M. Nesbitt (Egginton Parish Council), N. Ireland and B. Payton (Etwall Parish Council) and C. Thurman (Hatton Parish Council).

**Members of the Public**

B. Myring, C. Hall and G. Wale

EA/28. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence from the Meeting were received from Councillor Bale, D. Muller (Etwall Parish Council), T. Beresford (Foston and Scropton Parish Council), S. Avery and Mrs. Clarke.

EA/29. **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chairman advised that a brief recycling survey had been placed on the chairs and she urged those present to complete and return this to the Clerk.

EA/30. **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Etwall Area Forum held 13th February 2012 were noted.

EA/31. **REPORT BACK ON ISSUES RAISED AT THE LAST MEETING**

The Chairman referred those present to the report circulated with the Agenda. She reminded of the issues raised at the last Meeting and the progress made to date.

EA/32. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON ISSUES RAISED BY RESIDENTS**

A question was submitted about the circulation arrangements for the recycling questionnaire and further information was duly provided. An update was sought on the Egginton flood defence scheme, but it was noted that this was the subject of a live planning application, so Members could not comment on it. An update was also sought about the Egginton Common development following the discussion at the last Meeting. It was confirmed that nothing further had been received for report at this stage.

For the next Area Forum, it was suggested that a presentation be provided on rural broadband. It was noted that Derbyshire County Council was currently working with BDUK on rural broadband initiatives and there was funding available. A District Councillor publicised information available via the County Council's website.

**The Forum Liaison Officer agreed to refer this matter back to the County Council and to request a presentation at the next Meeting.**

EA/33. **COUNTY COUNCIL ISSUES**

It was reported that an inspection chamber cover on Scropton Road at Hatton had sunk and was in need of repair. This was possibly a matter for Severn Trent Water.

**It was agreed that the Forum Liaison Officer pursue this matter.**

A question was submitted about reporting "potholes" in the road and residents could either do this by completing a form on the County Council's website or by phoning Call Derbyshire on 08456 058058.

A comment was then made about previous plans for parish councils to be informed of roadworks in their area. This was important when local village events like well dressings were planned. Another point concerned the reinstatement of grass verges following maintenance works and a recent example was in Main Street, Etwall. The local County Councillor requested to be kept informed of such works, so that she could advise the Parish Council and others. In response, the Forum Liaison Officer spoke about the County Council's advance publicity of roadworks and measures to ensure that reinstatement works were completed correctly. It was expected that other agencies undertook similar publicity.

**The Forum Liaison Officer agreed to refer the comments raised back to Derbyshire County Council and to submit a report back to the next Area Forum.**

A "No Motor Vehicles" sign was requested for Grassy Lane at Burnaston. The local County Member confirmed this had been submitted again recently, but the request had previously been rejected.

EA/34. **DISTRICT COUNCIL ISSUES**

The Chief Executive referred to planned developments at the Nestlé factory in Hatton. He explained that a public consultation event would take place shortly and thereafter a briefing would be provided to District Councillors. Subject to

the planning process, significant investments were planned for the site, which would also benefit the local area.

EA/35. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

It was confirmed that the next Etwall Area Forum would be held on 25th July 2012 at the Dalbury Lees Village Hall.

MRS. L. BROWN

CHAIRMAN

The Meeting terminated at 7.50 p.m.