

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AREA FORUM

SWADLINCOTE

12<sup>th</sup> November 2013

**PRESENT:-**

**District Council Representatives**

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

F. McArdle (Chief Executive) and S. Winfield (Safer South Derbyshire Partnership).

**Derbyshire County Council Representatives**

Councillors Chilton, Dunn.

P. Jameson (Forum Liaison Officer).

**Parish Council/Meeting Representatives**

M. Mycock (Hartshorne Parish Council).

**Members of the Public**

P. Yates, M. Barsby, A. Clarke, R. Causer, G. Sargeant.

SA/10 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence from the meeting were received from Councillor Bell and Taylor and M. Lunn.

SA/11 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

SA/12 **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

To be discussed later in the meeting.

SA/13 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Swadlincote Area Forum held on 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2013 were noted.

SA/14 **REPORT BACK ON ISSUES RAISED AT THE LAST MEETING**

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

Item 2. It was reported that a good job had been made of the carriageway repair.

Items 3&4. Senior officer agreed to meet local members on site to look at options available. No date fixed as yet. Cllr Dunn & Taylor met with DCC regarding traffic calming along Moira Road and Belvedere Road.

Item 7. Carriage way patching to be done in conjunction with other works outside Toons. Cllr Stuart raised that the stretch from Newhall to Toons was an issue with regard to the damaged drains.

Item 10. Complaints have been minimal and compliments have been many. Thanks were issued to residents for their patience. Residents present at the meeting praised the new recycling collections.

Item 11. The Chief Executive responded that he met on site with the developer's agent about 12 months previous and agreed the sign to be used. Developer, unfortunately, was unable to provide the sign and so it was agreed that the tenants notified their suppliers with the correct postcode for satnav's which made a significant difference.

SA/15 **PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON ISSUES RAISED BY RESIDENTS**

Resident thanked the County Council for removing a wheel clamping sign on West Street, Swadlincote.

Resident raised that a lampstand sited in the road opposite the old Dominoes pub at Goseley Estate was very corroded. There was also water constantly leaking out of the rubble adjacent to the footpath, which could be a burst pipe. **The Forum Liaison Officer agreed to raise this issue and report back to a future meeting.**

Cllr Heath raised that the island outside Springfield Road School has structural damage to its construction. Cllr Mulgrew raised that it is also one of the main routes into the town. **The Forum Liaison Officer agreed to raise this issue and report back to a future meeting.**

Resident questioned what was happening around Gresley Common. The Chief Executive confirmed that this was a continuation of the original scheme with the wooden stumps.

A discussion took place regarding the upkeep of the island at the bottom of Coppice Side outside Morrison's. **The Forum Liaison Officer agreed to raise this issue and report back to a future meeting.**

Resident raised that an article in the Burton Mail confirmed that funding was no longer available for Woodville regeneration. Cllr Dunn discussed the funding situation and confirmed this would be considered at another round of bidding.

A discussion took place over the Memorial Hall adjacent to Gresley Common, which stands in a derelict state.

Resident raised flooding issues opposite the skate park and black shed island. **The Forum Liaison Officer agreed to raise this issue and report back to a future meeting.**

SA/16 **COUNTY COUNCIL ISSUES**

None.

SA/17 **DISTRICT COUNCIL ISSUES**

The Chief Executive discussed the draft local plan and that consultation is still ongoing. Residents can make comments by contacting the planning department and many have attended drop in sessions.

SA/18 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

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

N TILLEY

CHAIRMAN

The Meeting terminated at 8.25 pm