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FAILSWORTH & HOLLINWOOD DISTRICT EXECUTIVE Agenda

Date Thursday 2 October 2014

Time 7.00 pm

Venue Failsworth Town Hall, Oldham Road, Failsworth, M35 0FJ

Notes 1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - If a Member requires advice on any item involving a possible declaration of interest which could affect his/her ability to speak and/or vote he/she is advised to contact Paul Entwistle or Caroline Walmsley at least 24 hours before the meeting.

2. CONTACT OFFICER for this Agenda is Caroline Walmsley Tel. 0161 770 5151 or email <u>caroline.walmsley@oldham.gov.uk</u>

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4. PUBLIC QUESTIONS - Any member of the public wishing to ask a question at the above meeting can do so only if a written copy of the question is submitted to the contact officer no later than 15 minutes prior to the commencement of the meeting.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE FAILSWORTH & HOLLINWOOD DISTRICT EXECUTIVE IS AS FOLLOWS: Councillors Ames (Vice-Chair), Bates, Briggs, Dawson, Fielding, Garry (Chair), McMahon, Stretton and Williams

Item No

- 1 Apologies For Absence
- 2 Urgent Business

Urgent business, if any, introduced by the Chair

3 Declarations of Interest

To Receive Declarations of Interest in any Contract or matter to be discussed at the meeting.

4 Public Question Time

To receive Questions from the Public, in accordance with the Council's Constitution.



5	Minutes of Previous Meeting (Pages 1 - 6)			
	The Minutes of the Failsworth and Hollinwood District Executive held on 31 st July 2014 are attached for approval.			
6	Public Health Funding (Pages 7 - 14)			
7	Centenary Fields (Pages 15 - 34)			
8	Failsworth & Hollinwood Budget Report (Pages 35 - 46)			
9	Failsworth & Hollinwood District Updates (Pages 47 - 78)			
	Partner updates from:			
	The Failsworth & Hollinwood District Team GMP Regeneration CAB Community Safety			
10	Date of Next Meeting			
	The next meeting of the Failsworth and Hollinwood District Executive will be held on Thursday 20 th November 2014 at 7.00pm.			

FAILSWORTH & HOLLINWOOD DISTRICT EXECUTIVE 31/07/2014 at 7.00 pm



Present: Councillor Garry (Chair) Councillors Ames (Vice-Chair), Bates, Dawson, Fielding, McMahon, Stretton and Williams

> Also in Attendance: Penny Kenworthy Colette Kelly

Caroline Walmsley

Acting District Co-ordinator Assistant Executive Director Neighbourhoods Constitutional Services

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Briggs, Emma Alexander and Carol Brown.

2 URGENT BUSINESS

There were no items of urgent business received. However Councillor Fielding reported that Get Oldham Working had successfully lobbied Transport for Greater Manchester, resulting in a service re-route at no extra cost to the tax payer.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Garry declared a personal interest in Item 8 – District Updates from Regeneration, Greater Manchester Police and Highways, by virtue of her husband's employment at GMP.

4 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were three public questions received.

1. Mr. John Crompton

"My first question refers to following an exploratory meeting that I and my Deputy had with a Senior Council Officer, relating to a discussion regarding the programme of events for the 100 year Anniversary Commemoration of World War 1in relation to the Failsworth Higher and Lower Memorial Parks and their commitment following the ending of the conflict. We were informed, guite incorrectly, as to the matter of our having been involved in meetings and discussions of this nature with the District Executive some time ago and there was nothing that allowed him to continue a dialogue with us. Following our pursuit to find any information of this with the District Executive we have been unable to find any reference to decisions that were made referring to this event and would wish to be informed of when and where we had been invited to attend any meeting of relevance to this? Also to learn of whether any event has been planned for the 4th of August to show Failsworth's participation of this Anniversary?"

Since submitting this question Mr Cromtpon had downloaded details for the events for the anniversary of WW1



In the early stages of planning Failsworth Historical Society (FHS) was approached by members to suggest possible wording for a plaque for both Higher and Lower Memorial Park. With the level of detail provided by FHS, a meeting was arranged with members and officers to suggest a way forward. It was agreed at this meeting that the Greenspace Manager would devise some plans and suggested wording, which has now been agreed. It was also agreed that the work FHS had done around the memorials be incorporated into each plaque.

Councillor Bates questioned the involvement of the FHS and congratulated the ruling administration on the work that had been done. The work that the FHS had been involved in was clarified and the District Executive also acknowledged the involvement of Mr Crompton and the Historical Society in terms of the cenotaph and refurbishment of gardens

2. Mr John Crompton

"My second question is to seek information relating to the recent notice of inclusion of the Sale of Failsworth Lodge, (A.K.A. as the Lancaster Club). This is an historic building of Grade two Listing and remains in sound condition and open to some public use. It is also in part of the area of land that was recently seeking planning permission for residential purposes and also some recreational use. Has any condition been placed on its future use when sold in order that Failsworth could see this property remaining in keeping its place in History for the future benefit of the residents?"

The Chair thanked Mr Crompton for his questions. Oldham Council acquired the Lancaster Club site as part of a transaction that enabled Oldham Athletic to be retained within the Borough and stimulate development of a new North Stand at their existing Boundary Park stadium. Part of the strategy behind the move was that once the allotments and other playing fields were relocated, the council would sell the site for residential development in order to recoup its costs as well as provide land for quality new homes within the borough.

In order to establish residential use for the site, the council submitted an outline planning application in 2012 which established a mixed use, residential led development, comprising some 144 homes, a new soccer centre, relocated allotments, 500 sq. m. of commercial/retail space and the retention and refurbishment of the grade 2 listed building for social use on the ground floor and residential on the upper floors.

With works to construct the soccer centre and relocate the allotments and sports pitches due to commence, the council is now in a position to market the site to developers, this is being done in accordance with EU and the second seco

wishes to impose conditions on the sale that it would be illegal to enforce if it were to sell the land on the open market. Protection for listed buildings already exists within the planning process as there is a presumption against demolition and any plans for works must be considered by both the local authority and English Heritage before they can determined. However, by using the EU approved process the council will achieve greater control over the development plans which will have to be agreed and approved by the council before a planning application is submitted. The council believes that the listed building is an asset to the area that should be given a new lease of life through making full use of the whole building that will ensure the necessary investment in its fabric is undertaken now and its ongoing maintenance, thereby preserving this significant landmark for future generations.



Once a suitable developer is selected, as the detailed proposals are developed, an integral part of that process will be the engagement of and consultation with local people and other interest groups to ensure their views inform the final outcome.

3. Mrs Pat Lindop

"This is a question for First Choice Homes Oldham. Could you please tell me why the age restriction for flats on Greystoke Lane has been lifted without anyone being informed?"

The Chair thanked Mrs Lindop for her question and informed her that as this was a question for First Choice Homes Oldham, it would be forwarded on for them to respond directly.

5 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 26th June 2014 be approved as a correct record.

6 PETITIONS

No petitions had been received.

7 FAILSWORTH & HOLLINWOOD DISTRICT BUDGET REPORT

The District Executive received a report which advised on the current commitments and spends in respect of Elected Members individual budgets and the District Executive budget including Capital spend for 2014/15.

It was reported that there were some discrepancies in the report which needed amending, namely:

- The Cost of the Commemorative Boulders should be £1035 for Higher Memorial Park and £3835 for Lower Memorial Park.
- The work to be done on Elm Road, Hollinwood should read 'Tarmac and Bollards' not and Boulders'.

- The £1000 for Failsworth Pole re-gravel against Councillor Fielding's budget was a duplication error.
- The inclusion to show £3000 from Failsworth West Capital Fund that was agreed for Brookdale Street traffic calming material costs.



RESOLVED that:

- 1. The report be noted subject to the inclusion of the amendments.
- 2. The Acting District Co-ordinator circulates an updated report to all Members of the District Executive.

8 DISTRICT UPDATES FROM REGENERATION, GREATER MANCHESTER POLICE AND HIGHWAYS

The District Executive received updates on the following:

a) Regeneration – A report was submitted which covered the following Issues:

- Old Town Hall
- Oldham Town Centre Leisure Centre
- Coliseum and Heritage Centre
- Town Centre Public Realm
- Foxdenton
- Hollinwood
- Royton Town Centre Retail Development
- Hollinwood Junction
- Lancaster Club Site
- A62 Interventions
- Limehurst Estate
- Housing Units/Wickentree Lane

b) Integrated Neighbourhood Policing – A report was submitted and Inspector Troisi gave a verbal update on crime statistics for the area.

An issue was raised regarding partial funding that had been offered in relation to the purchase of a flare gun in terms of whether this funding was still required.

Concerns were raised regarding relieving the administration burden placed on frontline staff.

The Safety Day, which was due to take place on 20th September, was highlighted and details would be provided to Inspector Troisi.

The District Executive thanked Inspector Troisi for his attendance and gave positive feedback regarding the Cadets passing out parade.

c) 20mph Speed Limits in residential Areas – A report was submitted on the Council motion to consider the introduction of a 20mph speed limit on residential roads within the borough.



RESOLVED that the updates be noted.

9 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED that the date of the next meeting be noted.

The meeting started at 7.00 pm and ended at 7.53 pm

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Failsworth & Hollinwood District Executive

Public Health Funding

2nd October 2014

Officer contact: Penny Kenworthy



1. Purpose of Report

A small amount of funding has been allocated from the Public Health Budget for district partnerships to spend on their public health priorities.

We are looking to districts to spend this funding on local initiatives which have a <u>direct impact</u> on health. As it is July we have sought guidance and are able to offer this funding for districts to use either in this year alone, or to spread this over 2014/5 and 2015/6.

The intention is to encourage creativity and the encouragement of co-operative approaches within communities to improve health.

The Failsworth & Hollinwood District Executive has allocated £18311.00 this reports makes suggestion to the District Executive on how the funding could be allocated.

2. Background

The ward profiles for 2014 prepared by the Business Intelligence Service provide detail of statistics in relation to population, economy and income, housing, household composition, education and skills, crime, cooperation & community and health. - Appendix 1

3. **Proposals**

At the last Health & Well Being Meeting the group discussed possible projects which could be investigated further for possible funding through the Public Health funding stream.

3.1 Oral Health

Oral Health is a real concern within Oldham, especially within the 0-5 age range. The Health and Wellbeing Team from the NHS are doing specific work across Oldham, however at more district level; NHS Health & Wellbeing Team has proposed:

Oral Health packs to new social landlord tenants

For all newly housed families with Failsworth & Hollinwood with young children to receive a pack of which includes a toothbrush, toothpaste and free flow feeder cups. Approximate costs of project **£1000**, project to be jointly funded by the Failsworth & Hollinwood Public Health Funding and housing providers.

Dental Play Box

Action for Sick Children has recently announced impressive growth for the Dental Playbox Project. Dental Playbox was started in response to the

increasing numbers of young children becoming hospitalised because of tooth decay. According to statistics, over one third of children in the UK have tooth decay by the time they start primary school. Action for Sick Children provides specially trained facilitators who visit playgroups, nurseries and schools.

The project aim is to teach children (learning through play) about the importance of healthy eating and to prepare them from an early age for a trip to the dentist. Play gives children the opportunity to learn and express any fears that they may have in a safe and secure environment. A specially designed box of resources including role play uniforms, hand puppets, games, stories, toothbrushes and a teacher's pack is left for a week after the session for the children to continue learning.

Locations within Failsworth & Hollinwood are to be researched but it would be hoped we could tackle each reception class within the district.

Costs are by donation **approx £30.00 a session**.

3.2 Smoking

There are significant concerns about the level of smoking within Oldham, smoking rate within the wards for Failsworth & Hollinwood:

(Oldham average = 29.0%)

- Failsworth West **29.3%**
- Failsworth East **29.9%**
- Hollinwood **35.5%**

There is a Stop Smoking Clinic is based at Failsworth Health Centre and the NHS Health Wellbeing has suggested enhancing the offer within the district. Locations to be identified across the district, along with costs incurred. It is to be noted there is no Stop Smoking Clinic service within Hollinwood considering it's the highest within Oldham.

3.3 General Health & Wellbeing

NHS Health Bus

The NHS Health Bus is well utilised when visiting the districts, it is hoped that an arrangement can me drawn up for additional visits of the bus for key locations to encourage residents to take up the offer of health check.

Health Improvement Training

There is an accredited course provided by the NHS for Health Improvement. It was discussed for all community development staff within the district within all sectors to take up this training. Training and room hire would be provided for free, however funding would be looked at for exam costs. The Public Health specialist has given this option their full support.

Walking Football League

Natalie Craig from Failsworth Soccer Centre and Simon Tait the district Sports Development Officer presented the option of utilising the facilities with Failsworth with a Walking Football League for the district aimed at the over 50's.

Proposals for this project will be taken to the next Health & Well Being Meeting

Walking paths and TrimTrials

It is hoped to increase general health & well being to create/promote walking paths within the district. A meeting between the District Coordinator and the Principal Greenspace officer to look at potential sites across Failsworth & - Hollinwood

4. **Recommendations**

4.1 For the Failsworth & Hollinwood District Executive to note the report and support the work done by the Health & Well Being Sub Group

Health

6.1%

(7th lowest in Oldham, average 6.9%) In Poor Health

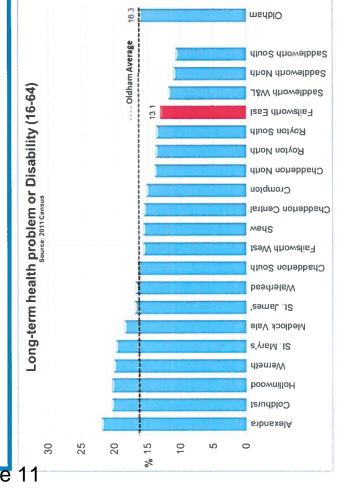


Oldham average = 29.0%) Smoking rate

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Long-term health problem (Oldham average = 16.3%)

> term health problems or disability but similar life are also similar (29.9%), however alcohol consumption is expectancy to the Oldham average. Rates of smoking Residents of Failsworth East have lower levels of long higher, particularly amongst men. Self-reported mental illness and depression is also higher than the Oldham Page



Health Behaviours: Public Health Observatory 2012 / CACI 2013	ory 2012 / CAC	CI 2013
	Failsworth East %	Oldham %
Obesity:		
% Reception children	8.8	10.2
% Year 6 children	18.3	18.7
Alcohol consumption:		
% Women 3 or more units per day	25.4	24.6
% Men 4 or more units per day	38.7	28.9
Mental Health:		
% Self reported mental illness/depression	3.8	2.9

8th highest in Oldham Life Expectancy Oldham average 76.3 76.5 years Male

Life Expectancy 9th highest in Oldham Oldham average 80.9 80.9 years Female

Source: ONS 2009-11

Health

7.9%

In Poor Health (6th highest in Oldham, average 6.9%)

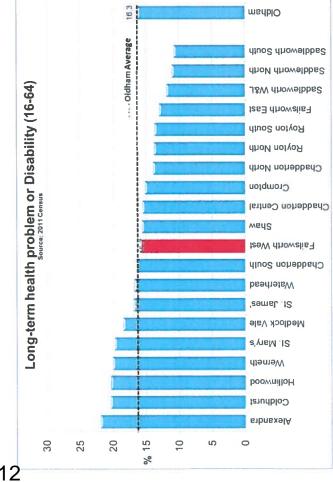


Smoking rate Oldham average = 29.0%)

15.7% È

Long-term health problem (Oldham average = 16.3%)

Residents of Failsworth West have similar levels of long term health problems, life expectancy and smoking rates as the Oldham average. Alcohol consumption in men is particularly high. Self-reported mental illness and depression is also higher than the Oldham average.



Health Behaviours: Public Health Observatory 2012 / CACI 2013	tory 2012 / CAC	3 2013
	Failsworth	Oldham %
Obesity:		
% Reception children	11.4	10.2
% Year 6 children	25.0	18.7
Alcohol consumption:		
% Women 3 or more units per day	22.7	24.6
% Men 4 or more units per day	37.3	28.9
Mental Health:		
% Self reported mental illness/depression	4.3	2.9

Male Life Expectancy 76.3 years 9th highest in Oldham Oldham average 76.3

Female Life Expectancy

Source: ONS 2009-11

Source: ONS 2009-11

Health

8.7%

In Poor Health (2nd highest in Oldham, average 6.9%)

35.5%

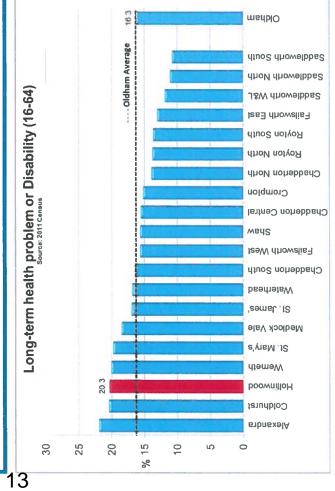
Smoking rate Oldham average = 29.0%)

20.3% È

Long-term health problem (Oldham average = 16.3%)

> Residents of Hollinwood have some of the poorest levels of health and highest levels of long term health problems and/or disability across Oldham. Smoking rates (35.5%) are the highest in Oldham, while alcohol consumption is extremely high, particularly in men. Surprisingly, life expectancy in males (75.3 years) is only just below the Oldham average, and in females (81.4%) is actually above.

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% Reception children	11.5	10.2
% Year 6 children	18.8	18.7
Icohol consumption:		
% Women 3 or more units per day	24.6	24.6
% Men 4 or more units per day	40.4	28.9
ental Health:		
% Self reported mental illness/depression	4.2	2.9

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Briefing paper: Centenary Fields

1 September 2014

1 Background

1.1 Fields in Trust (FIT) have released a paper requesting organisations to submit an application for sites they wish to be considered for Centenary Fields to commemorate those that lost their lives in WW1.

2 Issues for Discussion

2.1 Who is managing & what are Centenary Fields?

Fields in Trust are delivering a nationwide initiative in partnership with The Royal British Legion.

- 2.2 Centenary Fields aims to secure recreational spaces in perpetuity to honour the memory of the millions of people who lost their lives in World War I. Through this new programme landowners across the UK will be encouraged to dedicate at least one recreational space as a Centenary Field. This will commemorate this significant milestone in our history and create a tangible local legacy that will be valued by communities for generations to come. These spaces can include war memorial parks and playing fields given in memory of those who lost their lives, or other significant green spaces.
- 2.3 In order that we give consideration to those sites that we feel should be considered as a centenary Field an application form must be completed. (See Appendix 1 attached).
- 2.4 Fields in Trust have put together a range of frequently asked questions (Appendix II attached) that aims to inform landowners of the implications of the site becoming a centenary field.

3 Possible sites

- **3.1** The following sites have been raised as potential sites for an application to be submitted to Fields in Trust, although consideration could be given to other sites in Oldham that would meet the criteria, if there is a desire to do so.
 - Higher Memorial Park, Grafton Street, Failsworth (appendix III)
 - Lower Memorial Park, Park Avenue, Failsworth. (appendix IV)

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- Shaw Memorial gardens- Westway Shaw (appendix V)
- Dobcross memorial Garden, Wool Road Dobcross (appendix VI)
- There are no minimum or maximum numbers of sites that can be applied for, however decisions of the sites chosen to become Centenary Fields will be made by Fields in Trust.

4 The Potential costs

The cost to Oldham will be registering the Centenary Deed at the Land registry and possible solicitor's costs.

5 Recommendations

- To request the District Executive's to consider sites in their District and recommend sites they feel should be considered.
- Submit application forms for the chosen sites to Fields in Trust.



APPENDIX 1

CENTENARY FIELDS APPLICATION FORM



You can type straight into the grey text fields or if completing a hard copy please use block capitals

SITE DETAILS _____

Site Name:		Size:	Acres
Landowner N	Name:		
Category:	Principal Local Authority	Town, Parish, Community Council 🗌 Other	
If land is held	d on charitable Trust, charity num	per: CASC registration No. (if releva	nt):
Street name	(entrance):	Postcode (or that of nearest property):	
Town or Villa	age:	County:	
Local Author	ity Area:	Website:	

CONTACT DETAILS OF LANDOWNER

Name:	Position held:			
Organisation Name:				
Contact Address for correspondence:				
	Post	code:		
Telephone numbers: Daytime:	Mobile:			
Email:				

OTHER CONTACTS —

Main Contact for all ongoing correspondence (if different from the above)				
Name: Positic	on held:			
Organisation Name:				
Contact Address for correspondence:				
	Postcode:			
Telephone numbers: Daytime:	Mobile:			
Email:				
Second point of contact (if relevant)	Legal representative (if relevant)			
Name:	Name:			
Organisation:	Organisation:			
Position held:	Position held:			
Tel daytime:	Tel daytime:			
Mobile:	Mobile:			
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-INFORMATION REQUIRED

The following documents must accompany your application: For registered land, the register of title dated within the last 12 months. Tick here to indicate this is included □ Land Registry Number/s: For unregistered land, the root of title. Tick here to indicate this is included □ Suitable plan showing location and outline of the site marked in red □ Scale 1:1250-2500 incl compass (north) point To your knowledge are any leased areas to be included in the dedication? Yes □ No □ Not sure □ If yes, please state the name of any leaseholders: If yes, we will require a copy of the lease. Tick here to indicate this is included □

MAIN PURPOSE OF THE SITE (please select one option that best describes the site) Open Space **Country Park Recreation Ground** Woodland Gardens Sports playing field \square Park Walk/cycle trail Nature Reserve Village Green Play Area Memorial/remembrance garden

SITE DESCRIPTION AND IMAGES

Please provide a description about the site, including its significance to WWI, which we will use to create a public profile (*maximum 150 words*).

Please submit two images of the site electronically, stating the name of the site in the subject line. Images should be high resolution (400 x 300 pixels) in size. Tick here to indicate you are including these

ACCESS

Please give details about how much public access there is at the site:





- IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

Give details of any grant funding secured to improve the site within the last five years.

If unknown then tick here

Grant awarding Body/ies	Improvement Project	Amount	Date

USER GROUPS ------

Friends of the Park group					
Name of Friends Group:					
Website:					
Key Contact name:	Position held:				
Email:	Telephone:				
List any organised groups or sports	clubs that use the site on a regular basis				
Name of Organisation:					
Main sports/activities:	Website:				
Key Contact name:	Position held:				
Email:	Telephone:				
Name of Organisation:					
Main sports/activities:	Website:				
Key Contact name:	Position held:				
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Name of Organisation:					
Main sports/activities:	Website:				
Key Contact name:	Position held:				
Email:	Telephone:				

Please use a separate sheet for any additional user groups





– FACILITIES AND ACTIVITIES —							
Please give an indication of the number and type of users of the site:							
Please tick any regular activities that take place at the site:							
		ies that ta	-	ie site:	_		
Athletics	Croquet		Netball		Skateboarding		
Archery	Cycling		Rounders		Softball		
Bowling	Football		Rugby League		Tennis		
Cricket	Hockey		Rugby Union				
Other, please specify:							
Please insert the n	umber of e	ach facilit	ty type located	d at the s	ite:		
Grass football pitches		Cricket squ	Jare	BMX / bi	ke track		
Grass rugby pitches		Athletics tr	rack	Skateboa	arding area		
Artificial sports pitches		Bowling gr	een	Outdoor	gym		
Tennis courts		Play area		Outdoor	lido		
Multi Use Games Area		Pavilion or	Hall	Marked v	walk/run route		
Does the site have	Green Flag	status?	Standard Cor	nmunity 🗌	Heritage 🗌 No 🗍		
If you are interested in finding out more from Green Flag please email: greenflagawards@keepbritaintidy.org							
Cive details of any key events that take place at the site							
Give details of any key events that take place at the site:							
List any local schools	s that use th	ie site on a	a regular basis:				

APPROVAL

Please give details of any approval process that you are required to go through internally in order to progress your application for protection:

Please note if your application is accepted we will use some of the information on our website and in our publications. We will not disclose contact details to any third party without your prior consent.

To apply for protection of your site as a Centenary Field, please return your completed form and attachments by email to <u>centenaryfields@fieldsintrust.org</u> or post to: Fields in Trust, 2nd Floor, 15 CrinarPstopet220ndon N1 9SQ APPENDIX 11



CENTENARY FIELDS

Frequently Asked Questions

1. What is the initiative all about?

The Centenary Fields programme aims to protect at least one green space in every local authority area across England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland to commemorate the centenary of World War I (WW1). These protected sites could be war memorial parks or recreation grounds, memorial gardens, parks and recreation grounds that contain war memorials or other valued green spaces. Safeguarding these sites will create a living UK-wide legacy in commemoration of the sacrifice made by those who lost their lives in WWI. Fields in Trust is working in partnership with the Royal British Legion to deliver the programme.

2. Are you creating any new fields or are they all existing fields?

It is anticipated that the majority of fields protected through the Centenary Fields programme will already be in existence and will have a significant link to WWI. In some instances, where a suitable site is not already in existence, then local authorities may choose to mark the centenary of WWI by dedicating one of their flagship sites as a Centenary Field or by creating a completely new site.

3. Is this just an exercise to rename existing fields?

No absolutely not! Fields in Trust exists to safeguard fields in perpetuity via a legal document called a deed of dedication. Decades of urban development have seen the stock of playing fields reduce substantially and once outdoor recreational spaces are lost to development they are lost for good. Safeguarding sites through the Centenary Fields programme and other Fields in Trust initiatives ensures that more parks, playing fields and other spaces will be available for future generations to enjoy.

4. Who are you targeting with this initiative?

Fields in Trust and The Royal British Legion hope that the whole of the UK will support this initiative. Phase One of the campaign which started in April 2014 has been the approach to all first tier local authorities asking them to protect at least one suitable field in their area. Phase Two, scheduled to begin in November 2014, will be to approach Town and Parish Councils with the same request. We hope that all landowners will see the great benefits that protecting these spaces will have in terms of addressing some topical agendas around increasing physical activity, promoting social cohesion and improving the environment, alongside commemorating the Centenary of WW1 in a long-lasting way for their communities.

5. Why should local authorities get involved with this initiative?

Dedicating a Centenary Field is a fitting way for local authorities to mark the centenary of WWI by commemorating the sacrifice of those who lost their lives in the conflict and ensuring that their communities benefit now and in the future from protected green spaces. The Centenary Fields programme is also a way of local authorities fulfilling the Armed Forces Community Covenant that the vast majority have signed up to.

6. Is there a deadline for applications to the programme?

We want the network of protected fields to be established by November 2018, with all deeds of dedication signed by this time. Any sites where the deed is not signed by this time will not become Centenary Fields.

7. How is a site defined for this programme and what criteria need to be met?

A site could be a war memorial park or recreation ground, memorial garden, park or recreation ground that contains a war memorial or other valued green spaces. If there isn't a war memorial on the site then it must have some significance to WW1, for example it could be playing a key role in the local WW1 commemorations. As time goes on there will undoubtedly be some good examples of how sites are connected with WW1, and these will be promoted as applicable.

Each application will be assessed through a site visit but as a minimum, the following criteria must be met:

14. Can a site retain its current name or does it have to be renamed the Centenary Field?

It is not necessary for the sites involved in the programme to change their names. We are very aware that so many sites already have names that are instantly recognisable within the community through their long usage. The site would acquire Centenary Fields *status*, and receive and display signage associated with this which would ensure there was no requirement for any actual name change. The King George V Fields are a good template for this. Many local authorities will be familiar with the King George V Fields in their area still being known by other names, whilst also having the King George V plaques at their entrances.

15. Will protected sites be provided with any signage to show they are a Centenary Field?

Every site will receive a commemorative plaque to display on the site. The plaques will have provision for the name of the site and/or the name of the landowner or the geographical location.

16. Will the specific site always be protected?

Fields in Trust does accept that on rare occasions communities change and land use changes accordingly. Parts of sites, or very rarely, whole sites can therefore be disposed of provided the disposal is of clear advantage to, and in the best interests of, the community from a recreational perspective. The criteria which Fields in Trust applies to replacement facilities are that they should be of:

- at least equal size
- better quality
- serving the same community in terms of catchment area.

Additionally, and very importantly, the entire proceeds of any disposal should normally be re-applied to new sport, recreation and/or play facilities, with priority given to outdoor before indoor facilities

17. Is there a limit to the number of applications/successful applicants from a region/area?

There is no quota per area, and the programme is not competitive between landowners. Each application will be judged against the criteria on its own merits.

18. Is there any funding available for Centenary Fields?

There is no funding at present, but Fields in Trust is currently fundraising for the programme and will promote any funding programme when possible.

19. Are sites which have a WWI memorial that are already protected as QEII Fields eligible to be put forward for the Centenary Fields programme?

No these sites are already protected and therefore would not be eligible to become Centenary Fields. The programme aims to increase the amount of playing fields, recreation grounds and parks protected by Fields in Trust. We are looking for a way to acknowledge the fact that these sites have a link with WW1 and will provide more information in due course.

20. We have a Memorial park with a WWI memorial and would like to get it put on the official register of memorials, how can we do this?

This is something that involvement with the Centenary Fields will facilitate through Fields in Trust's partnership with the War Memorials Trust. At the site visit the correct information will be collected to ensure that this valuable resource is enhanced.

21. How can the public support the initiative?

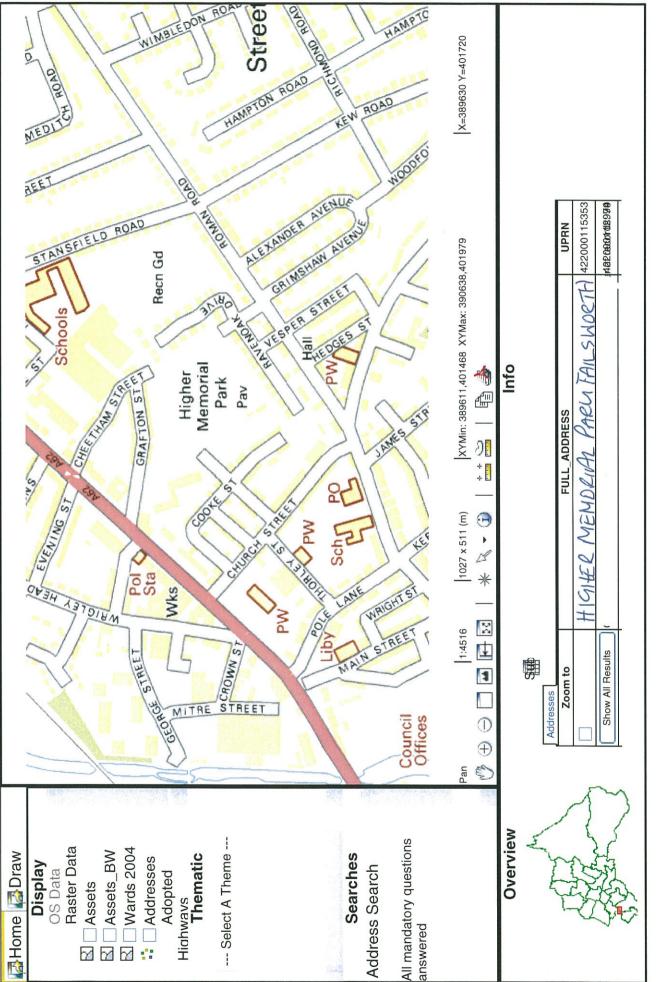
The public can support Centenary Fields by encouraging their local authority to safeguard a green space as part of the campaign, could get involved with a 'Friends of' group linked with a protected site and, if they wish, by making donations to the programme.

For more information on Centenary Fields please go to www.fieldsintrust.org

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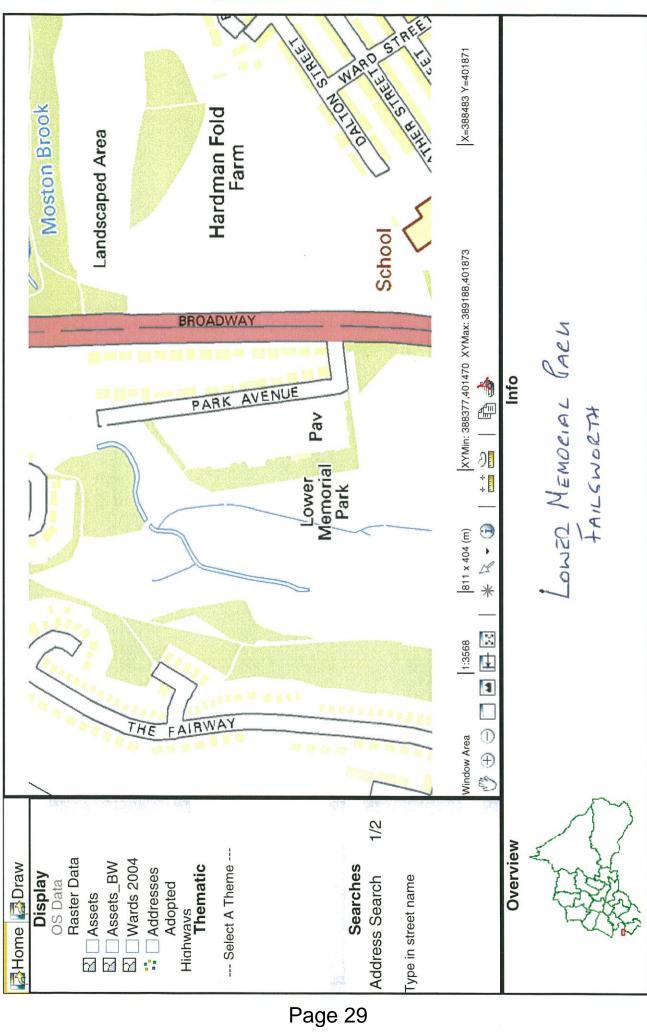




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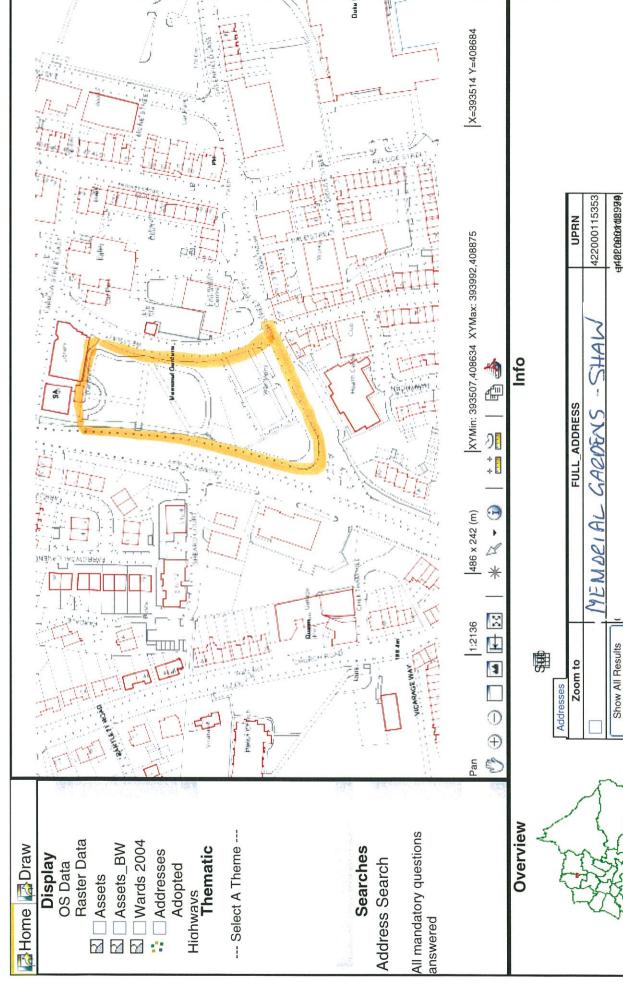


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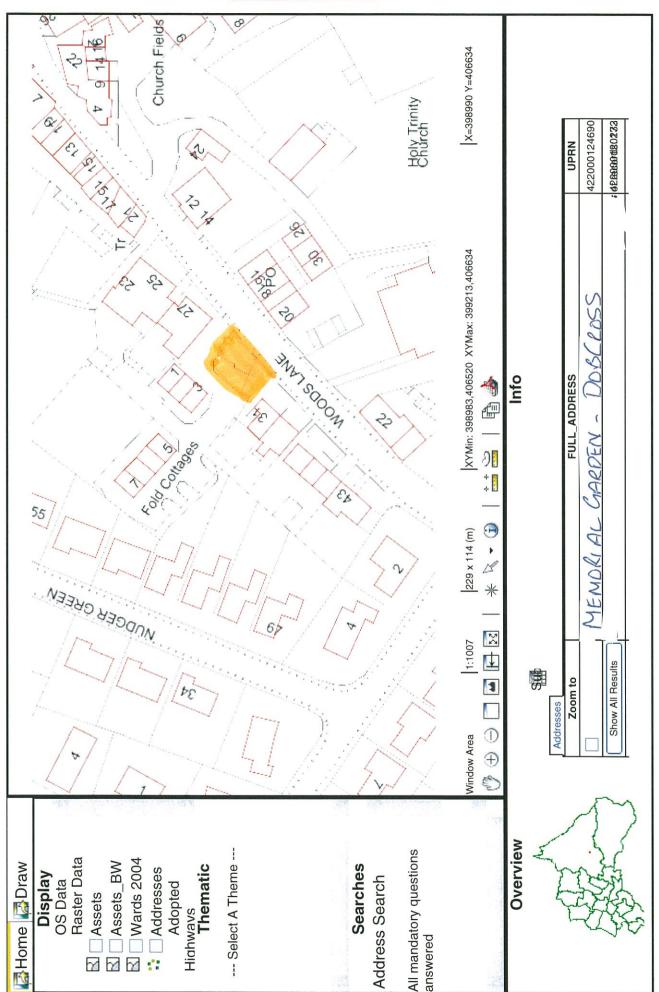


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Failsworth & Hollinwood District Executive

Failsworth & Hollinwood Budget Report

Report of Carol Brown, Assistant Executive Director, Neighbourhoods

Portfolio Responsibility: Neighbourhoods

Officer Contact: Penny Kenworthy

Ext. 4289

2nd October 2014

1. Purpose of Report

To advise the Failsworth & Hollinwood District Executive of the current budget commitments.

2. Executive Summary

The report advises the District Executive on the current commitments and spends in respect of Elected Members individual budgets and the District Executive budget including Capital spend 2014/15

3. Recommendations

- 1. To note the current budget position for both Capital and Revenue for the Failsworth & Hollinwood District Executive, along with the councillors individual budget.
- 2. To decide on the funding applications submitted to the Failsworth & Hollinwood District Exec
- 3. To confirm the costings of the centenary boulders for Higher and Lower Memorial Park - **Appendix 1**

4. Current Position

District Partnership Budget

The District Executive has a total allocation of £105,000 (£25,000 revenue and £10,000 capital per ward) which is available to help meet the priorities and actions set out in the District Plan.

Decisions on this funding will be made by the District Executive of the District Partnership.

Failsworth & Hollinwood District Partnership £75,000. £25,000 per ward

Failsworth West - £25,000

Project/Initiative	Cost Per Project
Provision of Christmas Tree	£700
Christmas Switch On Refreshments	£300
Dressing and undressing of Christmas Tree	£200
Dressing and undressing of Christmas Lights Pole	£500
Dressing and undressing of Christmas Lights FTH	£500
Failsworth & Hollinwood District Team for Event organisation	£666.66
CAB Making Make the most of your money (£13796)	£4598
Community Pay Back within Failsworth & Hollinwood	£1666
Greening within Failsworth, Lord Lane, Westminster Road, Roman Road	£2000
Total	£11,130.66
Remaining	£13869.34

Failsworth East - £25,000

Project/Initiative		Cost Per Project
	Provision of Christmas Tree	£700
	Christmas Switch On Refreshments	£300
	Dressing and undressing of Christmas Tree	£200
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	Failsworth & Hollinwood District Team for Event organisation	£666.66
	CAB Making Make the most of your money (£13796)	£4598
	Community Pay Back within Failsworth & Hollinwood	£1666
	Greening within Failsworth, Lord Lane, Westminster	£2000

Road, Roman Road	
Roman Road Summer Planting	£750
Bowling Green Fencing Higher Memorial	£10000
Minor Fence Repairs	£500
Total	£22,380.66
Remaining	£2619.34

Hollinwood - £25,000

Project/Initiative	Cost Per Project
Christmas Switch On Refreshments	£300
Dressing and undressing of Christmas Tree	£400
Failsworth & Hollinwood District Team for Event organisation	£666.66
CAB Making Make the most of your money (£13796)	£4598
Community Pay Back within Failsworth & Hollinwood	£1666
 Hollinwood Together Festival	£1500
Total	£9130.66
Remaining	£15869.34

Failsworth & Hollinwood District Partnership Capital Fund £10,000

Failsworth West - £10,000

Project/Initiative	Cost Per Project
Failsworth & Hollinwood Minor Works Programme	£1000
Lower Memorial Park Commemorative Boulder	£1035
Brookdale/Beresford traffic material costs	£3000
Total	£5035

Remaining	£4965

Failsworth East - £10,000

Project/Initiative	Cost Per Project
Failsworth & Hollinwood Minor Works Programme	£1000
Higher Memorial Park Commemorative Boulder	£3835
Norman Street/Minor Street/Emily Close Alleygates	£5000
Total	£9835
Remaining	£165

Hollinwood - £10,000

Project/Initiative	Cost Per Project
Failsworth & Hollinwood Minor Works Programme	£1000
Tarmac Elm Road	£659.48
Dropped crossing, resurfacing and installation of H Bar at Cloughgate	£5000
Total	£6659.48
Remaining	£3340.52

5. Individual Councillor Budgets

Individual Councillor Allowance

Each Borough Councillor will be allocated an allowance of \pounds 3,000 on which they may take decisions The breakdown of this expenditure for 2014/15:

Failsworth West

Cllr Bates	3000.00
Project	Amount
Homewatch signs for Warwick Road/Leicester Road	to be confirmed
Total Spent	0.00
Total Remaining	3000.00

Cllr Fielding	3000.00
Project	Amount
Brass Band Association	375.00
Dalton St. Alleyway -	200.00
Earls Lodge gardening equipment	460.00
The Arts Hub contribution to roof repair	195.00
Total Spent	1230.00
Total Remaining	1770.00

Cllr Garry	3000.00
Project	Amount
Total Creant	0.00
Total Spent	0.00
Total Remaining	3000.00

Failsworth East

Cllr Briggs	3000.00
Project	Amount
No Through Road sign Richmond /Hampton Rd	58.33
Printer - Oldham Cancer Support	120.00
The Arts Hub contribution to	
roof repair	195.00
Total Spent	373.33
Total Remaining	2626.67

Cllr Dawson	3000.00
Project	Amount
USB sticks for Job club	80.00
No Through Road sign Richmond /Hampton Rd	58.33
Fence Painting - Westminster Park	880.00
Mascot Hire -Comm Day 20.9.14 Higher Memorial Park	40.00
The Arts Hub contribution to roof repair	195.00
Total Spent	1253.33
Total Remaining	1746.67

Cllr McMahon	3000.00
Project	Amount
Roman Rd. activity mornings	250.00
Re-gravel Failsworth Pole	1000.00
Westminster Garden Party	1000.00
No Through Road sign Richmond /Hampton Rd	58.33
Total Spent	2308.33
Total Remaining	691.66

Hollinwood

Cllr Ames	3000.00
Project	Amount
Total Spent	0.00
Total Remaining	3000.00

Cllr Stretton	3000.00
Project	Amount
Limeside Pre- school - kitchen	239.00
Total Spent	239.00
Total Remaining	2761.00

Cllr Williams	3000.00
Project	Amount
Total Spent	0.00
Total Spent Total Remaining	0.00 3000.00

6. Funding initiatives

The following have approached the Failsworth & Hollinwood District Executive for funding.

1) Oldham Cancer Support - £1000

Oldham Cancer Support are applying for funding to extend opening hours on a Thursday/Tuesday and Saturday by early 2015. They are seeking a £1000 from each District Executive for counsellors and therapists.

2) Woodhouses Cricket Club - £2000 (main funding secured through Sport England)

The club has covers and drainage on the square but it has never, since it was founded in 1908, had the benefit of a drainage system on the outfield. Recent years have seen a significantly higher incidence of rainfall and the club's outfield has not been able to cope with it. 4" below the surface is solid clay so water cannot penetrate this to get away. It just sits on the top which becomes absolutely sodden and renders it unfit and dangerous to play on. Another major consequence is that most parts of the outfield have developed significant areas of moss which keeps proliferating with the exceptionally high moisture content. Moss naturally retains water like a sponge and this compounds the drainage issue. Future climate predictions and expected change in average conditions through global warming mean that we are likely to continue to experience extreme weather as a norm. Increased rainfall and deluges of rain have massively impacted on the club's ground. It is imperative the club adapts to the challenges thrown up by this and takes urgent action to resolve the drainage issues.

The club does not have the advantage of being a multi-sports club that is open and can trade all year. Income is mainly confined to the playing season. The loss of any fixtures or training sessions through adverse ground conditions results in a major loss of club revenue and this places in serious jeopardy both cricket and the future and financial standing of the club. The club is a small, family oriented, village cricket club with limited income. It runs a 1st and 2nd team and 5 junior teams at Under 9s, 11s, 13s, 15s and 17s.

Very positive letters of support for the proposed project received from Oldham Sport Development (Emma Jenks) and the Governing Body for Cricket in Lancashire are attached to this application.

What will the project deliver?

The project involves the installation of a piped main drainage system with lateral drains at 5m centres on the cricket outfield . There is a need to complement the piped drainage system with outfield surface improvements to ensure water can get through to the piped drains . The additional work involves stripping turf, moss and thatch, decompacting the subsoil, stone bury. Preparation of the seed bed and application of top dressing, pre-seed fertiliser and seed. The opportunity will also be taken to level hollows in the outfield surface. Post maintenance project work will also be required after year 1.Please see the attachment showing the proposed drainage layout on the outfield.

The delivery of these works should ensure that the current drainage problems in periods of wet weather are eliminated thereby ensuring fixtures can be played and usage of the outfield for junior and senior practice sessions.

Who will benefit?

Cricket opportunities in the borough, especially for youngsters in the Failsworth and Hollinwood Wards will be considerably enhanced. Without the project, opportunities to play the game would be seriously compromised. In fact, if ground conditions continue to deteriorate as they have done in the last 4 years then the future of the club is in jeopardy that is how serious a problem the club has.

• The volume or incidence of rainfall in the last few years has led to the table or top zone above the clay remaining saturated for very long periods of time. The consequence is that some games have been lost because the outfield, not the square or wicket, has not been fit. Other games have been seriously delayed while players have 'mopped up' with ground drying equipment to remove standing water but significant numbers of overs and cricket have been lost in the process.

- The project will have a major impact in (1) providing considerably more opportunities at the club for players to practise and play the game of cricket, and (2) reducing the number of youngsters at the club being lost to the game.
- Fortunately the weather this summer has been far better but in previous years with so
 many training sessions and games rained off it proved extremely difficult to get juniors
 to sustain their interest in the game or their desire to participate. It also impeded their
 ability to develop and progress their skills and techniques. The weather had a very
 demoralising and negative effect. The loss of opportunities for individuals to play
 cricket is massively disappointing for all players, particularly youngsters and of major
 concern is that many of the junior section in the last few years became that
 disenchanted they voted with their feet and stopped attending practice and playing.
- It is essential these days to keep youngsters fit and active.
- The project really matters to the club and will make a real difference to giving youngsters a sporting chance.

How many people will benefit?

It is difficult to quantify the net effect post completion of the project as much will depend on weather conditions in the future. What it is safe to say is that, at a very minimum, all the current juniors and seniors at the club (numbering some 105) will certainly benefit. A better playing surface and experience will also attract more youngsters to come and play at the club and will afford the club a much better chance to retain their participation in the sport. It is worth noting that the club has Community Amateur Sports Club status and is Clubmark accredited. The club has in place sufficient ECB accredited coaches to be able to deliver an enhanced number of opportunities for youngsters under the club's ongoing junior cricket development scheme.

3. Hollinwood Christmas Lights

At the end of the financial year 13/14, Hollinwood councillors agreed to extend the Christmas Tree Lights (Hollins Road). With the size of the tree and the coverage required the total cost for multicoloured cherry sized LED lights 50 lights per string. 5 strings at £300 is £1500.00. There remains £390.00 alloacted from 13/14 however a shortfall is requested from the Failsworth & Hollinwood District Executive of £1110.00.

7. Financial Implications –

The total financial position for **2014/15** Failsworth & Hollinwood District Executive allocations and the schemes for consideration with indicative funding source are shown below

	Failsworth <u>&</u> Hollinwood District Partnership	<u>Failsworth</u> <u>&</u> <u>Hollinwood</u> <u>District</u> <u>Partnership</u> <u>Capital</u>	<u>Councillor</u> 's Budget	<u>Total</u>
Budget Allocation	75,000	30,000	27,000	132,000
Previously approved spend	42,642	13,530	5,360	61,532
Proposed Spend	-	8,000	44	8,044
Remaining Allocation	32,358	8,470	21,596	62,424

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Higher & Lower Memorial Park Proposed Options for Commemoration of WW1

Briefing Note for Failsworth and Hollinwood District Partnership

June 2014

Officer Contact: Euey Madden & John Norris Ext. 4087 & 5025

Background

As part of the World War I commemorations members requested that a commemorative boulder be placed in each of the Memorial Parks in Failsworth. A meeting was called in Failsworth Town Hall and it was agreed that Environmental Services would present a design and cost for each site for consideration by members.

Attendees at the meeting:

Cllr Fielding Cllr Dawson Cllr Battye Cllr Briggs John Norris District Coordinator Euey Madden Principal Greenspace Officer Penny Kenworthy Community Development Worker

1 Higher Memorial

The work will involve improvements to an existing cobbled area within the park. An existing boulder will be used to inlay a commemorative plaque A plan is included with the note for consideration.

Budget costs for the works are

Total Cost	£3835.00
Contingency sum for unforeseen circumstances	£400.00
Commemorative plaque (if most expensive option is chosen)	£275.00
Excavations removal of setts soil and planting works	£2360.00
Resetting boulder including excavation and Groundwork	£800.00

All works will be subject to competitive quote action to ensure value for money

2 Lower Memorial Park

The work will involve the placing of a boulder with inlayed plaque at the entrance to Lower Park. A plan is included with the briefing note for consideration.

Budget cost for the works are as follows

Total Cost	£1035.00
Prepare Ground to receive Boulder	£100.00
Supply and lay boulder with inlaid plaque	£775.00
Optional enhanced planting to each side of the boulder	£150.00

3. Proposed Inscription

The proposed Inscription is as follows

To the eternal memory of all those comrades who laid down their lives for the country during World War I

4. Recommendation

To approve each option for both Parks and allocate a budget to undertake the works. If there are any questions please contact Euey Madden on 0161 770 4087 Email <u>euey.maden@oldham.gov.uk</u>



Failsworth & Hollinwood District Executive

Failsworth & Hollinwood District Team Report

June 2014

Officer contact: Penny Kenworthy



1 Purpose of Report

To provide the Failsworth & Hollinwood District Executive of an overview of the work being undertaken by the Failsworth & Hollinwood District Team.

2 Failsworth & Hollinwood District Team Update

2.1 Caseworker

Paul McCann 0161 770 1679 Paul.mccann@oldham.gov.uk

The District Caseworker has been providing support to the ward Councillors and members of the public; dealing with enquiries and issues raised in Failsworth & Hollinwood. The majority of the enquiries are environmental and highways. Dealing with issues can range from working with partners, land ownership enquiries, liaising with utility companies, arranging site meetings, attending community group meetings, liaising with residents, local businesses etc. The Caseworker also provides support by organising ward surgeries and updating these weekly for press release and via posters.

Examples include targeted work arranging meetings/consultations to resolve outstanding issues in specific areas where progress is halted until a resolution is achieved. Co-ordinating meetings and work with internal and external departments to progress lengthy cases. Monitor the case work system to keep outstanding issues low and close cases off where possible. Attending external meetings where cases become crossed over with other agencies eg Greater Manchester Waste Authority in the interest of keeping cases live, not forgotten etc.

2.2 Community Development Penny Kenworthy/Jodie Hendry 0161 770 4289 or 0161 7705434 <u>penny.kenworthy@oldham.gov.uk</u> Jodie.hendry@oldham.gov.uk

The Community Development Officer and the Apprentice Community Development Officer have been working with varied groups across the district on a variety of projects. The most successful being the work done by the residents of Dalton and Mather Street, who continue to expand each time we meet. It is hoped with the help of the Malton Gardens Community Group we can take the best practices to other alley ways within the district.

Over the last few months the Community Development Team have been involved with a number of campaigns/events: These include

- National No Smoking Day
- Falls Awareness Week
- Failsworth Carnival
- Westminster Road Garden Party
- Hollinwood Sports Plan
- Centenary Boulders within the Higher and Lower Memorial Parks
- Summer bedding plants around Norman/Wesley/Minor Street
- Hollinwood Business Park Apprenticeship Event
- Enterprise in Oldham Event
- Failsworth & Hollinwood Fun Day
- 2.3 Community Safety Officer Michael Fleming 0161 770 1591 Michael.fleming@oldham.gov.uk
- 2.4 Sports Development Officer Simon Tait 0161 770 Simon.tait@oldham.gov.uk

Xplorer Orienteering

Xplorer Orienteering has been taking place at Daisy Nook on the first Saturday monthly over the summer months. This is a project I have been working on with British Orienteering, the other district SDO's and is a Borough Wide programme also running at Tandle Hill Park, Dunwood Park, Alexandra Park and Uppermill Park. This is a fantastic family activity aimed at children age from preschool to end of primary school age groups.

As well as being really good fun, this promotes family activities, gets people out in the fresh air, learning new skills such as map reading and becoming more healthy in general.

LTA Great British Tennis Weekend

The Great British Tennis weekend is a national initiative from the Lawn Tennis Association with the aim of getting as many people as possible to go along and play some tennis.

The event took place on the brand new facilities at Failsworth Sports Campus and was a great success. In total over 80 people came along and played some tennis on the day.

On the day we provided participants with Robinsons Barley Water and fresh Strawberries and Cream, kindly donated by TESCO Failsworth.

Participants played free tennis, mini tennis, family tennis and cardio tennis. We aim to continue our partnership work with the school and are looking to create a new tennis club from the Spring of 2015.

Cycling

This was the year the Tour de France started in the UK with the first two stages passing nearby to Oldham. We managed to attract £5K funding and have purchased new bicycles and helmets to be stored in Failsworth. There is an existing Junior Cycle Project which runs from Limeside Oasis school. We are looking to encourage more adults to cycle, get people over 50 cycling as part of the Ageing Well Programme, and promote more family cycling and female only cycling groups.

We will also be looking for community volunteers to become involved with the cycling project, and for them to become official British Cycling 'Cycle Leaders' and confident to take small groups of cyclist out on rides.

Failsworth School and Oasis Academy

We are continuing the work we do with both these Senior School by training up year 9,10 and 11 students to gain the Sports Leaders UK Level 1 qualifications. In total 120 students annually will take this nationally recognised qualification which teaches them many leadership and communication life skills, gives them the confidence to coach and speak in front of groups and can also lead to amazing volunteering and paid sporting opportunities.

Failsworth & Hollinwood Summer Activities

Over the summer months, we have teamed up with Failsworth Sports Campus and delivered a programme of sport Mon – Fri for young people to come along and enjoy.

On average around 30 young people have attended these sessions each day and they have enjoyed a range of sports including football, Dodgeball, tennis, kwik cricket, volleyball and have also taken part in arts & crafts activities across at the Youth Centre.

Staff that has progressed from our sports volunteers to official Oldham Council casual staff supported the programme over the summer as well as two excellent sports volunteers.

Rounders

As part of the 'Streetgames' programme we have been delivering some sessions in Rounders each Thursday on Limeside Park over the Summer. We have linked in with the Hollinwood Hub on this project. We need to look at the way we market and promote activities as this should have had more people attending we feel.

Streetgames Project

Some funding has been secured to deliver a Street games project over a two year period. This project is to be delivered to young people across the district and engage them in a variety of sporting activities, developing them as individuals by them gaining experience/qualifications, meeting new people, trying new things, giving them volunteer opportunities and to have a lot of fun.! The project is us working in partnership with OCLL and will be delivered over BWT at Failsworth sports Centre then moving to various outdoor venues from Spring 2015.

Connecting Communities Project

As part of the work we do with Failsworth Sports Campus, a project called connecting communities has attracted some funding to give 20 targeted pupils from the school opportunities they wouldn't have had.

Some of the activities they are taking part in include sport and dance, but also gives them social opportunities such as cinema evenings. The girls have been enjoying horse riding the most so far.

Walking Football

In the forthcoming weeks we will be setting up Walking Football for Over 50s in partnership with Failsworth Sports Campus. The project is aimed at Over 50's to get out in the fresh air, have some fun, meet new friends and enjoy themselves. This project will run at Failsworth Soccer Centre.

Primary Schools World Cup Event

Working with OCLL we organised a World Cup event for Primary Schools from across the borough of Oldham. Each school played the role of their adopted country on the day. Over 120 young people took part and enjoyed themselves. As well as the football, it gave schools a great opportunity to teach the cultural history of their adopted country, make flags and support their team on the day.

Cobra Kan Karate Club Success at the Oldham Sports Awards 2014

We have been supporting Cobra Kan Karate Club over the past couple of years. As part of the work we have successfully attracted funding for them. This has enabled them to upskill their coaches and volunteers with official qualifications.

The club has made huge progress since almost having to close their doors a couple of years ago. The club has moved into new premises, their army of volunteers has renovated the building, painted it and kitted it out to amazing levels.

At this year's Oldham Sports Awards, the club picked up both Oldham Club of the Year and Oldham Coach of the Year. The club has two world and European champions and is looking forward to taking part in the World Championships this October which are being held in Portugal. The club has been doing a massive amount of fund raising, bag packing etc to enable their students to travel and take part. We wish them every success. Cobra Kan Karate will go on to represent Oldham at the Greater Manchester Sports Awards, held at Lancashire Cricket Club in November.

2.5 Youth Development Officer Kathryn Bardsley 0161 770 Kathryn.bardsley@oldham. GMYN Road Safety Course

7 young people attended the UPS Road Code programme delivered by Greater Manchester Youth Network and UPS staff. As well as learning about what to be aware of driving on the roads, they got to try out driving simulators. After testing their knowledge they received a certificate and goody bag. All the young people said they felt it was really useful and would help them be more aware when they learn to drive.

Saddleworth Show

Staff and young people have been working with their peers in Saddleworth on a project with Saddleworth Rotary over the last few months. This culminated in them running the VIP area at the recent Saddleworth Show. They are now completing a CMI qualification in Leadership.

Summer Activities

As well as our usual evening activities, over the summer staff, volunteers and Senior Member Helpers have delivered a programme of activities. Every week young people accessing Soccer Centre provision were able to take part in art & craft activities at Failsworth Q. We also ran weekly sessions at Limehurst Youth Centre.

Weekly bake and take sessions gave young people the opportunity to plan and make 2 course meals for the whole family.

Junior and senior members had the opportunity to visit Heaton Park, Tandlehill Park, Hollinworth Lake and Chester Zoo.

Kerrching Funding

Youth Forum members were successful in securing £1000 funding from Kerrching (Youth Opportunities Fund) for community and fund raising activities until the end of March.

3. News & Events

3.1 Malton Gardens

Malton Garden Community Group (residents from Dalton Street and Mather Street) has gone from strength to strength over the past 12 months and their

hard work has paid off, winning best Community Garden category in the Bloom and Grow competition. The group where thrilled and life couldn't get any better when they received news that they had been nominated for a Pride in Oldham Award.

However the group continue to work hard within the community and a new string to their bow is there monthly luncheon club at a nearby Cafe (Nostimos on Hardman Lane); £2 will get you a sandwich, tea or coffee and a slice of cake. Meeting at 12.30 and will continue to meet every first Tuesday of the month. It doesn't stop there; work is underway organising the Big Tidy Up as part of Keep Britain Tidy targeting the Dean/Dalton/Mather Street area on Saturday 22nd November 2014. Further details will be circulated to members in due course.

3.2 Christmas 2014

Hollinwood

The Hollinwood Christmas preparations are in their early stages with a view of expanding the celebrations for Christmas 2014. It is envisaged to hold a Christmas Market within Oasis Academy running from 5pm-8pm. Following on from the success of special guest star Sponge Bob Square Pants last year, it is hoped we will have an even bigger name to switch on the new extended Christmas lights this year.

Date for the Hollinwood Christmas celebrations will be Thursday 4th December 2014.

Failsworth

Failsworth Christmas celebrations were significantly overhauled in 2013 and Christmas 2014 will follow the same format. As last year their will be a Christmas Market at St Johns Church Hall along with an additional venue within Failsworth Town Hall running from 1pm-7pm. There will be live entertainment from the Pole from 5pm with the lights switch on commencing around 7pm with a view of the entertainment continuing until 9pm.

Forward with Failsworth and Cllr E Garry have been busily getting local businesses along Oldham Road involved by encouraging them to dress their front windows and perhaps have a mini wall mounted Christmas Tree.

Date for the Failsworth Christmas celebrations will be Friday 12th December 2014

3.3 Failsworth & Hollinwood Community Fun Day - Higher Memorial Park

The first Failsworth & Hollinwood Community Fun Day took place on Saturday 20th September 2014 at Failsworth Higher Memorial Park.

The event was a great success with many partner agencies involved. We had our local community safety organisations, the TA, GMP and Greater Manchester Fire Service, in attendance with their vehicles. The Territorial Army had great success with recruitment for the Army Reserve and the GM Fire Service also enlisted many for their Fire Risk Assessments.

Two Failsworth residents whom are coordinators of Home Watch in their area were also asked to come along to enlist others to the scheme; they had great success with signing up around 25 residents.

Our own Community Safety Officer was also in attendance to make people aware of Home Safety and Personal Awareness.

John Crompton, the Chair of Failsworth Historical Society brought his WW1 exhibition to the event which previously had been situated in Failsworth Library.

The RSPCA and Oldham Cancer Support were invited to the event to raise awareness about their charities and for some fundraising.

Grassroots came along to our event to raise the profile of all the good work they do; they were selling items that had been made at their facilities as well as doing some planting and making fresh apple juice with their apple press.

The Oldham Community Leisure Bouncy Castle and Climbing Wall were very popular. Our Sports Development Officer and two of his staff brought along lawn games and volleyball for the children to play. He also invited Sensei Gill, the world champion in karate for over 40s, to put on some demonstrations; Sensei Gill also had great success with many children wanting to sign up and join her classes.

Lots of attendees took a crash course lesson on a unicycle with Pamela from Unicycle for Health, including Councillor Sean Fielding from Failsworth West.

An interactive magic show was put on by Carita from Funky Fitness and Fun as well as some line dancing.

Our Youth Development Worker and some of her staff and volunteers had a face-painting stall at the event; there was a queue all day with lots of children walking around with camouflage, as lions, butterflies and batman.

LollyMania Mascots provided the event with the much loved Minnie Mouse. We organised for a busker to sing at the event; she was a huge hit having some attendees dancing and singing along with her.

The Mayor of Oldham, Fida Hussain opened our event as well as staying for a while to see all of our attractions. Tony Lloyd, the Police and Crime Commissioner came along to see all of our efforts commenting on how beneficial these events are for the community; he also closed our event.

Jodie Hendry - Apprentice Community Development Officer

4. **Recommendations**

- 4.1 For the Failsworth & Hollinwood District Executive to note the report.
- 4.2 Agree the priorities for 2014/2015

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Oldham Borough INPT 2 District Partnership Report Failsworth & Hollinwood

Oldham Division, Integrated Neighbourhood Policing

Report Dates 15th July 2014 – 14th September 2014

Prepared by: Ps 19035 Archer & O.S.O. 62279 Diane Bradley Date: 14th September 2014



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Report Dates 15th July 2014 – 14th September 2014

Anti-social behaviour

Anti-social behaviour (ASB) includes a range of issues. Behaviour can be anti-social because it is capable of causing nuisance or annoyance to both individuals and the wider community.

Within the Borough of Oldham we have a strong partnership lead approach to tackling ASB and the causes of it preventing it from reoccurring. This partnership approach includes police, local authorities and social landlords. These agencies have wide ranging powers to effectively tackle this problem.

REPORT ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR BY RINGING 101

Since the 15th July 2014 – 14th September 2014 there has been a slight increase in the number of anti-social behaviour incidents reported to the police and closed as Rowdy or Inconsiderate behaviour, compared with the same period in 2013.

Motor cycle / mini Moto's incidents has seen a decrease in the amount of reports since 15th July 2014 – 14th September 2014 compared with 2013.

On another positive note alcohol related incidents reports have also significant decreased compared with the same period last year. However we have had a slight increase in youth related under 18 incidents reported in the same period as last year.

ASB Related Statistics 15 th July 2014 – 14 th September 2014			
	2013 2014		
Rowdy Or Inconsiderate Behaviour	168	187	
Motor Cycle / Mini Moto	21	17	
Alcohol Related Incidents	93	86	
Youth Related Under 18	75	87	

Victim Based Crime

Reported victim based crime (VBC) has seen a decrease in robberies, burglary dwellings, burglary other than a dwelling and theft of pedal cycles. However an increase in the number of incidents reported has been recorded in other areas of victim based crime.

Crime Statistics 15th July 2014 – 14th September 2014				
	2013 2014			
Robbery	5	4		



Theft from person	4	4
Burglary Dwelling Including Aggravated	31	30
Burglary Other Than In A Dwelling	19	11
Theft Of Motor Vehicle	3	5
Theft From Motor Vehicle	3	20
Theft Of Pedal Cycle	17	11

Violent Crime

There has been an increase in the amounts of violent crime incidents reported to the police in 2014 compared with 2013. We are continuing to carry out regular visits to problem licensed premises this has helped to reduce drink related violence.

The officers will continue going in to schools and engaging pupils in dialogue around violent crime.

Violent Crime Statistics – 15 th July 2014 – 14th September 2014			
	2013	2014	
Violent crime (includes GBH, and sexual assault and harassment)	35	46	
Assault Without Injury	13	32	

Pro – active work – OP Tuscan Updates & Statistics

As you are aware Operation Tuscan has been running with a great deal of success over the last few weeks targeting hotspots for anti-social behaviour across the Borough. As a result of this we have identified risk areas and gathered a large amount of intelligence. One of the areas highlighted is Higher Memorial Park at Failsworth, this area is being visited by a large group of youths from out of the area who are congregating in the park and surrounding area and intimidating residents and other local youths and causing some quite extreme ASB. We spoke with the local youths it would appear that this group is coming from Newton Heath and Moston causing problems. As a result starting Friday 22nd August a week of action commenced using enforcement and reassurance technics. We have had a fantastic response from our local



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councillors and partners who will form part of the team engaged in the reassurance and diversion side of the operation.

The first part of the operation Friday and Saturday evenings will be to take positive action were behaviour warrants it, identifying key offenders involved in the ASB and intimidation. These offenders will be dealt with by various means, arrest, and letters home to parents, taken home to parents, contact cards etc. the message will be that if you come into Failsworth to cause trouble this will be dealt with robust action. The majority of our youths in the area are local decent children who are staying in groups due to the intimidation by this key group of offenders. We want to reassure our residents but also our local children.

Once we have identified and dealt with this group we will then work with our partners in the area using a variety of methods to divert our youths into other activities and to make it safe for them to attend the local parks and youth areas without fear of criminality

We will be working closely with all our partners to ensure the right level of intervention is implemented and welcome your input and suggestions.

Op Tuscan Over View Up To 28.08.14				
Contact Cards Submitted	21			
Alcohol Seized	1 x bottle Vodka			
FWINS Attended	20			
Arrests	1			
Firearms Seized	1			
Property Collected	1 found bicycle			
Direction To Leave	1			

Improving communications

We are trying to get our E Watch system running in the Failsworth area, we will be sending you details soon. We will be taking a pro-active approach to establishing this network as a matter of urgency and would ask that you promote this method of communication as much as possible.

Warrants

We are still executing warrants in the Failsworth area and we collate all intelligence gained from members of the public and act on all intelligence gained in a proactive manner.

Public Confidence & Partnership Working- Future Event

Community Engagement Day - Thursday 16th & Friday 17th October 2014

Local Police Officers and Police Community Support Officers in conjunction with Community Safety Officers from OMBC are holding a Community Engagement Day on Thursday 16th October & Friday 17th October.

The mobile police station will be used and officers will be available to give Crime Prevention Advice.

- Police surgeries will be held at various locations.
- Further details will be advertised once details are confirmed.

Come along and meet your local PCso's and your local Community Safety Officer and receive free crime prevention advice.



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Good News Story / Event - Safe4Summer Football Tournament

GMP Oldham would like to thank all who helped make the Safe4Summer football tournament and joint jobs fair a great success on 08.08.14

Around one hundred & fifty 14-16 year old youths from all across Oldham turned up in teams to play against one another and the Police football team to compete for the £200 prize.

The idea behind the event was to provide young people with an opportunity to engage with their local Police Officers and develop a bond as well as having an opportunity to look ahead to a future career with the jobs fair.

Congratulations to the winners on the day who were CHADDERTON FC who had to beat a Police team to claim the trophy and prize money.

We hope everyone involved enjoyed the day as much as we did and we hope to arrange something similar in the near future.







Oldham Police Cadets

Our cadets are going from strength to strength attending numerous neighbour and charity events

We have received some fantastic feedback from these events including the following from the Chasing Rainbows event 'I went to the charity event today and wanted to tell you that the team were awesome. They entertained the children and were really popular. The cadets arrived with the Psco's and looked really smart. One Pcso was a bit of a star because one of the runners started to struggle at 8k and she stepped in and ran the last 2k in full uniform with the cadets'.

The team represented the division in a very positive and professional way and we are extremely proud of them all.



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Crime prevention advise

Doorstep Criminals or Bogus Callers have recently been operating in this area

Doorstep Criminals / Bogus Callers will give all sorts of excuses to trick their way into people's homes to steal money and valuables. They come in all shapes and sizes, and may claim to be from official companies such as the utility companies, charities or even the police. They may offer home repair or gardening services. It is important that you follow the steps below to keep your home safe from doorstep criminals:



The Police want to know about anyone calling suspiciously at people's homes. Even if you haven't been a victim, you could hold vital information that could keep others safe.

Telephone: 0161 872 5050 or in emergency: 999



Doorstep callers – no thank you!

Most callers at your door will be genuine. However, sometimes residents are approached by bogus callers, rogue traders and uninvited sales people.

The No Cold Calling Zone that has been set up in your area has been done so to help residents deal with such unwanted callers and deter cold callers from operating in your area.

This leaflet has been produced to explain how the No Cold Calling Zone works and to give you useful information on crime prevention advice.

No Cold Calling Zone

Oldham Council has consulted with local residents and it has been agreed that street signs will be put up that clearly show your area to be a No Cold Calling Zone.

These signs ask that companies or individuals do not call at the door of any residents in the zone without making sure that they have a prior appointment and permission to do so. Although it is not illegal for companies or individuals to call at your door without an appointment, they will be asked to recognise the wishes of local residents and not to cold call there in the future.

If you suspect a caller is bogus or intent on burglary then you should telephone Greater Manchester Police immediately on 0161 872 5050 or in an emergency dial 999.

Doorstep crime don't let them in!

Doorstep criminals or bogus callers use all kinds of tricks to take money from householders.

They may operate alone or in groups and will often have very convincing stories to trick their way into your home or to convince you to part with money unneccessarily.

They may be men, women or children and may even carry identification cards or uniforms with company logos on. Some doorstep criminals try to trick householders by claiming to be from United Utilities, a gas or electric company or a company working on their behalf.

If you do receive calls at your door from any uninvited trades or sales people please call Trading Standards on: 08454 04 05 06.

Trading Standards will write to any companies cold calling in your area and request that they do not operate within the No Cold Calling Zone.



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Further Crime Prevention Advice available

Visit our website www.gmp.police.uk for lots of useful ways to protect yourself and your property. Contact our crime reduction advisor Paul Dearnley on 0161 770 4302 paul.dearnley@gmp.pnn.police.uk

Regular Surgeries are held at:

Failsworth Health Centre

Cloughgate House, Hollins Road

School House Flats, Incline Road

Neighbourhood staff holds regular surgeries where crime prevention advice is available.

The Oldham Borough INPT is based at

Oldham Police Station Divisional HQ Barn St Oldham OL1 1LR

Direct line: 0161 856 8825

Oldhamborough@gmp.police.uk

Call CRIMESTOPPERS Anonymously On 0800 555 111

As part of our service promise we will continue to listen to the community so it's really important that people tell us what they think about the work officers are doing to keep them safe.



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Failsworth & Hollinwood District Partnership Regeneration Update

Date: 19 September 2014



1 Key Borough Wide Projects

Old Town Hall

Work to transform the Old Town Hall into a new seven-screen cinema for Oldham is progressing well. Morgan Sindall, contractors at the Grade II-listed building, have been onsite since the Council handed over the keys in October 2013. The first stage of the project – enabling works that included action to dry out the building, secure its façade and safeguard heritage elements – is now nearing completion.

As part of this phase work will now focus on the Clegg Street side which is to be removed to make way for a cinema auditoria and a unique glass box extension. This marks a significant step towards delivering the new 800-seat cinema complex, six restaurants and a café franchise. The cinema will be run by Odeon.

Workers have begun removing the brick chimneys and slate tile roofs, followed by the timber roof trusses, and the upper storeys of the external wall. The new glass extension will provide access to the various levels of the cinema and the frontage to the new restaurants opening onto a new public square. The external wall on the Greaves Street side, which will be the back wall of the new cinema, has been propped up to support it during the works.

Precise recording of all the rooms and salvaged materials stored has been completed. Detailed work was also necessary to preserve the internal heritage features of the famous Egyptian Room with waterproof linings installed above it to collect, and divert any rainfall away from the building into local sewers.

Oldham Town Centre Leisure Centre

The main contract has now been signed with Willmott Dixon Construction and work has started on site. A webcam has been set up to capture progress on site and this is publically available via the Willmott Dixon website and soon via the OMBC website. The key dates remain as follows:

- Practical Completion is programmed for October 2015
- Leisure Centre operation following installation of loose furniture, fixings and equipment by Oldham Community Leisure Ltd. is programmed for November 2015

Willmott Dixon have signed the Get Oldham Working Charter in which they commit to achieving a range of employment, training and supply chain targets that will benefit residents and businesses of Oldham and Greater Manchester. These include new jobs created, permanent positions and apprenticeships, work experience and supply chain opportunities. Willmott Dixon expects to achieve all the targets set out in the Charter, and in some instances, exceed them. They have committed to work with the Get Oldham Working Team and partners, such as the GM Chamber Construction Group Training Association to maximise the benefit of these opportunities to local residents. All work related opportunities created by Willmott Dixon and their supply chain partners will be linked into the Get Oldham Working campaign. Progress against the targets is monitored regularly by the Get Oldham Working Team and is reported on a quarterly basis at the Get Oldham Working Board and to the Project Board.

Coliseum & Heritage Centre

This project involves relocation of Coliseum Theatre, museum, archives, local studies and stores to the currently vacant former Library and Art Gallery building. The former library building on Union Sreet is to be refurbished and redeveloped to accommodate the Heritage & Arts Centre and a new 550 seat theatre is to be constructed on the adjoining Southgate Street car park. Both buildings will be linked and will have a single point of access from the gardens at the front of Gallery Oldham.

In addition to the Council's financial commitment, the project has received Round 1 Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) and Stage 1 Arts Council England (ACE) funding. Second stage bids to secure delivery funding (construction) were made to the ACE in July 2014 and are due to be submitted to HLF in October 2014 with decisions due between November 2014 and January 2015. In addition a fundraising target has been set and a specialist fundraiser engaged.

The procurement of a main contractor has started with the issue of an Invitation to Tender which is due back on 28th October 2014. Design has progressed to RIBA stage D. A high level business model has been created and is now being developed into a detailed business plan. An agreement to a governance structure has been reached by the Council and colleagues at Oldham Coliseum Theatre.

Town Centre Public Realm

A new pedestrian signage scheme comprising finger posts and monoliths has been implemented.

The Council's "connectivity programme" is ongoing. So far, Roscoe Street and Bridge Street have been completed, and upgrades to the north of Peter Street, Brunswick Street, Ashcroft Street, and Silver Street have been implemented. Works are due to commence to Queen Street and Firth Street by October 2014.

A new play area has been installed in Oldham Town centre, which is already proving hugely popular. This is part of the Council's commitment to providing quality facilities and an attractive environment for shoppers which will encourage people to stay longer in the town centre.

Flood lighting schemes for the Old Library and the Lyceum are to be implemented. These two buildings are key historic buildings in Oldham town centre. They are prominently located along the Metrolink route on Union Street and lighting them will increase the vibrancy of the town centre especially in the evenings and highlight these architecturally important buildings to visitors.

Broadway Green

Oldham Council is working with Foxdenton LLP to bring forward the development of 110 acres of land for employment uses as allocated in the Local Development Framework. Key benefits of the development to note include:

• Creation of a 30 hectare quality business park development of up to 500 residential units and reclamation of 11 hectares of derelict land.

• The total cost of the construction of the development is estimated to be £92 million. 165 new construction jobs will be created per year over the construction period with these jobs being a mixture of on-site and off-site pre fabrication and supply chain employment.

• More than 1,500 new FTE jobs will be created on site once the development is fully operational. This represents a significant expansion of local job opportunities in an area which has higher than average unemployment. 400 supply chain and induced jobs will be created in the local economy.

• £700,000 of annual council tax revenue would be created by 500 new homes proposed as part of the scheme. Business Rates for circa 700,000 sq ft of employment space would also become receivable directly to the Council Development of 1 million sq ft of new industrial and business floor space which will result in an estimated 3,332 new jobs and 1,073 construction jobs also being created

The Council has entered into a new 50:50 Joint Venture with Foxdenton LLP that will manage the delivery of the development. Council members on the JV Board are Cllrs Jim McMahon, Dave Hibbert and Jean Stretton.

Planning approval for the development was granted in Feb 2014 comprising:

A) Full planning permission for:

1) A new spine road connecting the A663 'Broadway' and B6189 'Foxdenton Lane' with associated ground re-modelling

2) The means of vehicular access into the site

3) The demolition of all existing buildings within the site

B) Outline planning permission for an employment-led mixed use development with access to be considered and all other matters reserved for:

1) Office (Use B1a use); Light Industrial (B1c use); General Industrial (B2 use) and Storage and Distribution (B8 use) floorspace

2) Residential (C3 use) units

3) Area of public open space in the form of a new linear park

Further info including plans available from www.foxdentonllp.co.uk

In December 2013 The Department of Transport approved an application by the Council for Pinch Point funding of £1.741m towards the construction of the new access road off Broadway into the employment site. Progress so far:

- Detailed intrusive investigations undertaken on site.
- Detailed design work on going.
- First stage road construction tenders received.

- 2nd Stage tenders to go out imminently.
- Road and infrastructure works programmed to start on site early 2015.

Hollinwood

To facilitate progression of development opportunities in and around Hollinwood Junction by working in partnership with Langtree Plc in relation to OMBC owned land at Albert Street/Mersey Road North (13 acres) and other major private land owners via an established Hollinwood Partnership.

On-going discussions with National Grid and the Greater Manchester Investment Fund, regarding proposals for the removal of the former redundant gas holder adjacent to the M60.

Formal marketing of Hollinwood Junction, as a premium location/destination for businesses, is to commence prior to the end of 2014. See below for full details.

Royton Town Centre Retail Development

OMBC is working with private sector development partner Dransfield Properties Ltd to facilitate improvements to the District Town Centre. Former Royton Health Centre and Assembly Hall now demolished. Work is progressing to bring forward Phase 1 development, which includes the delivery of a new food store and improvements to the existing precinct. Planning approval obtained in May 2013. Discussions on going with Co-op and the new owners of the precinct to agree detail of Phase 2 development.

Failsworth & Hollinwood Projects

Hollinwood Junction



Oldham Council is working with the private sector to promote significant development opportunities in and around Hollinwood Junction (J22 M60).

The Council has entered into a partnership agreement with Langtree Plc to bring forward 13 acres of council owned land for high quality business / employment led uses on land off Albert Street. In addition, the Hollinwood Partnership has been set up to work closely with other major land owners at Hollinwood Junction to co-ordinate development and marketing activity at this key location.

There are 3 main development sites at Hollinwood Junction:

- **Point** 13 acres of council owned land that form a triangle bounded by Albert Street, Roman Road and the M60.
- **Central** Land owned by Frank Rothwell, a successful local business, between the Hollinwood Junction Metrolink stop the A62.
- **Circle** A 1-acre site owned by Noel Dean, one of Oldham's most successful manufacturers, is bringing this site forward for development.

These sites benefit from excellent transport links (road and tram), giving us the opportunity to create a regionally important employment site at a key gateway to the borough.

Point (Albert Street Site)

Planning permission is in place for the demolition of the existing gasholder and the development of an employment-led mixed use scheme on the council owned land off Albert Street. The council is in advanced dialogue with National Grid regarding the removal of the gas holder and is exploring all opportunities to secure external funding assistance to cover the costs of infrastructure development, the gas holder demolition and site remediation.



Point - Potential developments on the Albert Street site

Key project dates so far:

- March 2013 Planning application submitted
- May 2013 Planning obtained
- July 2013 Application submitted to Greater Manchester Investment Fund
- June 2014 Cabinet approval for revisions to Strategic Partnering Agreement with Langtree

During 2014 we plan to:

- Reach agreement with the National Grid regarding the removal of the gas holder
- Hold an online launch for Hollinwood Junction, via the Hollinwood Partnership, including the roll out of branding to raise the profile and raise awareness of this excellent business opportunity

During 2015 and 2016 we will:

- Start on site
- Complete the first phase of development on site

Lancaster Club Site

The Lancaster Club redevelopment opportunity is currently being advertised and this includes a half page advert in The Estates Gazette. The Pre-Qualification Questionnaire (PQQ) is available to prospective developers via The Chest with a response date of late October 2014. Two Ward Councillors have been fully briefed on the process and Members will be kept actively involved at key decision making points. The programme for the procurement exercise is anticipated as follows:

> Issue Invitation to Tender Mid tender clarification meeting ITT return Preferred bidder selection confirmation (including Cabinet approval)

12th November, 2014 TBC 9th January 2015 Mar 15

The above programme is consistent with the anticipated availability (late 2015) of the site following relocation of the football pitches to their new site in Limehurst. The preferred developer will be able to develop detailed plans and submit for consultation and then planning

whilst the relocation works take place. This should enable a start on site shortly after the pitches are relocated end 2015/early2016.

A62 Interventions

The Council are looking at a number of underutilised or vacant properties in and around the A62. The Council have successfully worked with the purchaser of the former Social Security building to assist in bringing this property back into use. A developer has entered into an option with the Audacious Church to bring forward redevelopment of the site. The council are now working with the developer to explore the option of joint redevelopment of this site together with nearby OMBC owned land.

The Council are in negotiations with the owner of the former Weavers Arms with a view to selling the two plots of Council owned land which flank the vacant property. Comprehensive redevelopment of the combined site will then be progressed with the owner. Whilst there is support to progress matters it is noted that there are several utilities that have been placed under the land without the Council's permission. Officers are now in contact with Openreach and have offered terms to them for an easement to formalise their occupation. The Council are still chasing National Grid who, so far, have failed to acknowledge their encroachment. As soon as terms are agreed with the utility companies, the Council can look to finalise terms with the owner of the Weavers PH who remains keen to progress matters, therefore seeking to either remove or formalise these occupations prior to completing a sale.

Limehurst Estate

This is a joint project between OMBC and Regenda to deliver greater housing choice and area improvements through the development of surplus and under-used land in the area. Selection of a preferred developer being should be confirmed before the year end following consultation with Ward Members. The project is designed expected to deliver circa 120 new homes for sale and/or private rent.

Housing Units/Wickentree Lane

The Strategic Regeneration Team have commissioned a feasibility exercise which addresses the perceived problems around Wickentree Lane and also the desire to ensure that Housing Units has a greater presence onto Manchester Road. Different options are being assessed from a technical point of view the feasibility work will be completed by the end October. Housing Units have been informed about the work.



Failsworth and Hollinwood District Partnership

September 2014

Money management, 1st June to 31st August 2014

1. Background

1.1. Oldham CAB delivers debt advice sessions on a weekly basis in the Failsworth and Hollinwood District. These sessions alternate weekly between Failsworth Town Hall and Limehurst Library, complementing CAB sessions funded by Oldham Council that also alternate weekly ensuring weekly provision in both.

2. Performance

- 2.1. Due to a shortage of staff caused by uncertainty in our council funding we have been unable to provide all our neighbourhood advice sessions. We have managed to maintain the Failsworth Town Hall sessions throughout the period but those in Limehurst Library have not been provided since mid June. All sessions will be delivered from the 25th September. We will only be invoicing for the services delivered.
- 2.2. For this period we have helped a total of 73 people, 42 funded by the district partnership. This is made up of 61 in Failsworth and 12 in Limehurst.
- 2.3. The amount of debt rescheduled for this 3 month period is £21,116. The additional income raised through identifying eligible benefit payments totalled £31,631.

3. Further development

There have been some changes to our delivery model across the borough that will soon result in improved access to CAB advice in your areas. We have modernised our face to face gateway service that was in the Civic Centre to a telephone advice service, AdviceLine. This service will very soon be freely available through Council public access telephones in Access Oldham and each district Town Hall or Library. This will ensure free access to from Monday to Friday (possible future extension to Evenings and weekends) within their community and fit seamlessly with the face to face service that will be focused on those that require more complex support.

4. Clients by ward

Local Authority		Failsworth	Limehurst
	Ward	Town Hall	Library
Oldham	Alexandra	1	0
	Chadderton	0	1
	North		
	Coldhurst1	1	0
	Failsworth East	20	0
	Failsworth West	22	0
	Hollinwood	8	8
	Medlock Vale	0	1
	Saddleworth	2	0
	North		
	Saddleworth	1	0
	West		
	St Mary's	1	0
	Werneth	1	0
Manchester	Miles Platting	4	0
	Whalley Range	0	1
Tameside		1	1
		61	12

BRIEFING PAPER FOR FAILSWORTH AND HOLLINWOOD DISTRICT EXECUTIVE

Community Safety Officer Update

2nd October 2014 Officer Contact: Michael Fleming Ext. 1591

Purpose of Paper

The purpose of this paper is to update the Failsworth and Hollinwood District Executive on Community Safety initiatives including alley gating projects.

Change in role of Community Safety Officers

The Community Safety Officer Michael Fleming will now have responsibility for Failsworth, Hollinwood and Chadderton District.

Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014

This legislation is due to come into effect on 20th of October 2014. This will supersede the current legislation and provide new tools and powers to tackle anti-social behaviour. This will also affect Gating Orders and will be replaced with Public Space Protection Orders.

Alley gating schemes

Gating Order 44 - Shropshire/Nottingham

This Order went to advert on the 16th of September; provided there are no objections we can proceed after the 14th October, if there are any it may cause delay as the Gating Order legislation will be replaced with Public Space Protection Order on the 20th of October.

CSS 1066 – Minor St/Norman St/Emily Close/Clifton St;

This Gating Order has been put on hold due to new legislation being introduced by the Home Office and will be replaced with a Public Space Protection Order. Residents will be advised of the change in the legislation and that the process to introduce a Public Space Protection Order has commenced. The letter will advise that comments in previous responses will be considered and will invite any further comments on the proposed Order. At present consultation has reached 75% approval; unfortunately due to the summer holidays the response has been slow.

CSS 1067 – Clovelly Avenue/Brennan Court

Due to the unusual nature of the location a wider consultation has taken place with residents who may be affected by this closure. This included Clovelly Avenue, Milford Avenue, Lynton Avenue, Brennan Court, Cattlin Way, Chapel Road and a section of Hollins Road. A total of 238 properties were consulted which resulted in 91 responses. 83 residents were in favour and there were 8 objections; 7 residents Cattlin Way and 1 resident Brennan Court. Therefore this only reached an approval rate of 34%.

Other initiatives

Operation Tuscan – Higher Memorial Park/Leicester Road/Warwick Road/Tesco's a multi-agency operation to reduce anti-social behaviour in the area. In addition; due to the high number of incidents in Higher Memorial Park a police led multi agency meeting was held to resolve those issues and a plan of action was implemented. The aim is to identify key individuals involved in such behaviour and obtain their relevant details in order to take positive action against such offenders. The purpose of this is to conduct a 'zero tolerance' approach and send out a positive message to those engaging in such behaviour.

This was followed up with a leaflet drop outling the action plan and reassurance visits to local residents with elected members; the District Team and police. This has had a positive effect in the park with a number of residents providing positive feedback. Operation Tuscan is scheduled to continue for the foreseeable future.

Home Watch – The Community Safety Officer attends the Home Watch meeting at Broadbent Luncheon Club every month to provide updates and information in partnership with the Neighbourhood Policing Team.

Police Engagement Initiative – The neighbourhood policing team often find it difficult to communicate issues, incidents and events in your area to everyone's satisfaction.

We value the inputs and communications we do receive from residents however we are aware that sometimes it can be frustrating trying to contact the right person for any issues/ information you may have.

As a result we are promoting our social media sites and homewatch links in an effort to update you with anything that is relevant to you and your area and also as a means of you communicating with us regarding neighbourhood issues.

We use Ewatch/Homewatch/Facebook and Twitter and find this very useful as a means of contacting the public with Crime updates or suspicious circumstance. We understand how important it is that you are updated with what is happening in your neighbourhood. Leaflets will be being distributed by the police and partner agencies to try and get as many residents to sign up.

Darker Nights Initiative

A Darker Nights Initiative will be launched on 16/17th October. The police and partner agencies will be identifying various hot spots in the area and will also be visiting residents to advise them about home and personal security to keep safe. The mobile police station will be mobilised at these areas.

Burglary Victims - Security surveys are offered to all victims of domestic Burglary, however still relatively low on the uptake.

ASB - 5 Warning letters, 2 of which are for warning interviews to be conducted at the police station.

There are a number of complex neighbour disputes currently being dealt with, involving extensive partnership working which require appropriate support and intervention.

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