# WEST OLDHAM DISTRICT EXECUTIVE 25/01/2017 at 6.00 pm



Present: Councillor Toor (Chair)

Councillors Akhtar, Azad, F Hussain, Iqbal (Vice-Chair), Jabbar,

Malik and Rehman

Also in Attendance:

Fabiola Fuschi Constitutional Services Officer Lori Hughes Constitutional Services Officer

Zaiem Khan District Co-ordinator

# 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Ur-Rehman.

# 2 URGENT BUSINESS

There were no items of urgent business received.

# 3 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest received.

#### 4 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no public questions received.

# 5 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the West Oldham District Executive held on 12<sup>th</sup> October 2016 be approved as a correct record.

# 6 WEST OLDHAM DISTRICT PLAN UPDATE

The District Executive gave consideration to an update on the West Oldham District Plan.

Members were provided with an update on the purchase of enforcement cameras. Different types had been procured, live trials would take place for determination of how effective they were and the preferred option. The impact on officers' time on performing enforcement duties would also be assessed. Members expressed disappointment in the delay as this had been seen as a priority. Members requested a timetable for the implementation of the cameras. This would be progressed with senior officers.

Members were informed of activity which had been well received by the community at the Clarkwell Community Centre. First Choice Homes Oldham (FCHO) managed the use of the building and the activities.

Members sought clarification on the progress of environmental events in Werneth and Coldhurst and it was explained that proposals were to be progressed. Werneth and Freehold cleanups had gone well and a further session was planned on 28 February. Members sought and received clarification on the

placement of planters, the planting scheme and community involvement near Cornwall Street. Members received an update on the litter picking events in Coldhurst ward.



Members referred to the Homewatch Schemes which had been developed. Concerns were expressed about the level of crime and burglary rates. A meeting had taken place in the Coldhurst Ward. Meetings will be arranged for the Werneth and Coppice areas. Members requested that representatives from Greater Manchester Police attend a future meeting in order to provide an update on key issues in the areas and residents' concerns. Regular contact was needed with the perception of an increase of crime in the area.

Members requested their thanks be recorded for the work of the District Co-ordinator on the Homewatch Scheme.

Members requested an update on the street lighting in the Westwood Metrolink area and were informed that TfGM had agreed to fund the lighting. Funding which had been allocated for this purpose would now need to be reallocated.

Members raised the issue of flytipping and the impact on residents and also the visual and environmental impact. A long term solution was needed which was sustainable. Members expressed concern at the time taken for the removal of flytipping.

# **RESOLVED** that:

- 1. The update and information provided at the meeting on the West Oldham District Plan be noted.
- 2. The timetable for the installation of enforcement cameras be progressed as a matter of urgency.
- 3. Greater Manchester Police be requested to attend a future meeting to discuss key issues in the area.
- The Coldhurst members thanks to the District Coordinator for the establishment of the Homewatch Scheme be recorded.

# 7 **PETITIONS**

There were no petitions received to be noted.

# 8 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

**RESOLVED** that the date and time of the next West Oldham District Executive to be held on Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> March 2017 at 6.00 p.m. be noted.

The meeting started at 6.00 pm and ended at 6.29 pm