# FAILSWORTH & HOLLINWOOD DISTRICT EXECUTIVE 12/11/2013 at 7.00 pm



**Present:** Councillor Fielding (Chair)

Councillors Ames (Vice-Chair), Battye and Garry

Also in Attendance:

Emma Alexander Executive Director, Commercial

Services

Christine Chester Constitutional Services
John Norris District Coordinator

## 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Briggs, Dawson, McMahon and Stretton.

## 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

No public questions had been received.

# 5 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2013 be approved as a correct record.

## 6 **PETITIONS**

The District Executive considered two petitions in line with the petitions protocol:

- Petition from residents of Irwell and Medway regarding Overgrown Pathway – Members were informed that discussions were ongoing between the Council and the Oasis Academy.
- 2. Failsworth Memorial Park proposal received requesting that either one of the two football fields be fenced off and used specifically as a dog running area or the unused space adjacent to the park be used specifically as a dog exercise area.

#### **RESOLVED** that:

- 1. The action taken in relation to the petition from the residents of Irwell and Medway be noted.
- 2. The petition for a dog exercise area in/adjacent to Failsworth Higher Memorial Park, be referred to the Executive Director, Neighbourhoods, to investigate the request.

# 7 FAILSWORTH AND HOLLINWOOD DISTRICT PARTNERSHIP BUDGET REPORT

Consideration was given to a report of the Assistant Executive Director, Economy Places and Skills which advised the District

Executive of the budget for 2013/14 and the funding which had either been committed or spent. Members were advised that a total of £58,389.99 currently uncommitted or unspent remained available to the District Executive.



Reference was made to the discussions that had taken place at the previous meeting in relation to Highways in particular the work at Dean Street and Shropshire Road; and it was suggested that the improvements at Dean Street be carried out at a cost of £2K from the Capital Investment Programme Board. It was reported that the £800 allocated for work at Shropshire Road was insufficient to cover the work and it was suggested that the remaining necessary finance could be funded from the £5K that had been agreed at a previous meeting of the District Executive.

Following discussion at the previous meeting relating to the provision of greening or flowers the meeting was informed that each site had now been reviewed, taking into consideration Members' views, and a report had been prepared. However, since the compilation of the report further developments had taken place; these had included an offer from the Hollinwood Partnership to contribute 50% of the cost of the flowers at the Roxy site. As a result of this contribution a number of hanging baskets previously scheduled for removal would now remain resulting in the following proposals being put to the meeting:

**Propps Hall Drive** - Removal of four 3 Tier Planters resulting in a saving of £567.82.

**Ashton Road East** – Removal of one 3 Tier Planter resulting in a saving of £141.82.

**Jackson Street (near Morrisons)** – Removal of 10 hanging baskets and brackets resulting in a saving of £1077.70.

**Lord Lane** – Removal of six hanging baskets and brackets resulting in a saving of £646.62.

# **RESOLVED** that

- 1. The update on the budget be noted.
- 2. The remaining funding available for the District Executive for 2013/14 as outlined in the report now submitted be noted.
- 3. The reduction in flowers and greenings to the District as outlined above be agreed.

# 8 **DISTRICT UPDATES**

The District Executive received updates on the following:

- Police
- Citizens Advice Bureau
- Highways and Engineers Service particular mention was made of the improvements to Dean Street with reference being made to discussions which had taken place, both at this meeting and the last meeting of the

District Executive, regarding the shortfall in funding which would be sought from the Capital Investment Programme Board.

• Community Safety.



# **RESOLVED that:**

- 1. The District Updates be noted.
- 2. The issue regarding the shortfall of funding for the work at Dean Street be submitted to the Capital Investment Programme Board.

# 9 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

**RESOLVED** that the next meeting of the Failsworth and Hollinwood District executive will take place on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2014 commencing at 7pm at a venue to be advised.

The meeting started at 7.03 pm and ended at 7.14 pm