

Project / Issue Plan

Ward/s affected:	Failsworth East
Name of project/issue:	Parking issues at the Soccer Centre, Brierley Avenue and its wider neighbourhood.
Start date:	March 2014
Estimated finish date:	Ongoing
Estimated cost:	None to District Executive other than Officer Time of Council Officers and that of Partner Organisations.
Link to district priorities	Clean, Green and Safe Reducing Crime and Anti-social behaviour
Project outcome / aims:	<p>To allow the continuation of the Mini Soccer League which engages with in excess of 1400 young people and their wider families To ensure that service users park vehicles in the spaces provided and not to engage in anti-social behaviour as a result of them parking inconsiderately or when talking to staff and residents.</p> <p>Also to ensure that spectators do not swear and act in an anti-social manner whilst watching matches.</p>

Action Planning

Theme	Action	Who?	By when?	Cost	Progress update (flag issues in bold)	BRAG
Provision of adequate off the Road Parking close to the Soccer Centre	To explore the provision of a new car park at the rear of the centre on land currently owned by the school.	John Meagher	September 2014	Not yet known although currently been considered.	John Meagher to flag with two Governors who are also Elected Members of OMBC to establish if the council would consider this area for parking to support the sports zone i.e. school, OCL and soccer centre facilities.	G
	To Explore the provision of Road widening and footpath narrowing to incorporate lay-by parking areas	John Meagher/JN	June 26 th 2014	To follow	JN to ask Unity Partnership for the cost of this work which Members can then consider.	G
District Coordinator to visit Soccer Centre to assess situation.	JN Visited on two Saturdays between 9.30 and 10.30am	JN	Before season End Completed	Staff Time	JN Visited twice no real problems other than some residents vehicles which were parked on the kerb appeared to be trapped their by visitors to the soccer centre. It should however be noted that the residents vehicles were parked illegally on the kerb and the visitors were parked perfectly legally on the road where there were no restrictions. JN noted frequent signage directing visitors to the official car parks and also two flyers on vehicles which were parked on the kerb in front of the school which directed them to off road	G

					parking. Cones were placed outside some homes which were being adhered to as well as where there were double yellow lines	
Officers Meeting	An officers meeting was held at school on 21 st April 2014	JN Convened this meeting which was well attended other than by GMP.	21 st April 2014	Officer time as venue was free	All invited partners attended other than GMP. A numbers of actions were recorded and were issued to partner agencies. (these are recorded later in the document)	G
Update Cllr Briggs	Cllr Briggs has been given a verbal update by JN. A written update will follow by way of this action plan which will also be forwarded to all Members	JN has verbally updated Cllr Briggs who was satisfied with the action taken by partners	Verbal update given action plan to be circulated to members before end of May.	Nil cost	A dynamic action plan will be circulated to Members including the Chair of the District Executive and officers before end of May.	G
Update lead petitioner and residents.	JN and Natalie Craig have visited lead petitioner on 30 th April 2014. Lead petitioner also asked if she could have a visit to the Centre Natalie was pleased to accommodate this request and asked	JN & NC	Before end of May 2014	Minimal printing costs and officer time	Lead Petitioner has been appraised and has offered to update the other signatories JN also advised that we will produce an A4 Newsletter to post out to all residents with an update before the end of May 2014.	G

	her to bring friends if she wished. Natalie also invited the petitioner and friends to the up and coming car boot sale.					
Consider what can be done to the highway around the area i.e. Brierley Avenue etc to alleviate parking issues and to consider the cost of such a scheme	Unity Partnership to provide costing for introduction of parking bays/lay-bys and reduction in width of footpath and widening Brierley Avenue	Unity Partnership (SPOC Required)	Before end of May 2014	Not known	Need to consider either widening the road or narrowing of existing footpath to encourage legal on road parking. Also consider parking lay-bys for residents. Also a suggestion of bays being marked on pavement for residents to park in was considered and officers concluded that residents already park on the pavements illegally and are trapped on the kerb by visitors who park legitimately on the road. The council cannot encourage residents to park illegally and that damage to the footpath is already occurring by such parking.	G
Residents only parking scheme	The subject of Residents only Parking is currently being reviewed by Oldham MBC and we await a new policy being ratified.	Unity/OMBC (SPOC Required)	TBC	The cost of implementing a scheme if it is possible would be determined by what work is required)	Until the review is completed we will not know whether or not this particular scheme would be a possibility if it is to fit within new specifications. Of course Members may still choose to go ahead with scheme even if it does not fall within the new boundaries. When the review is completed and new guidelines are in place residents Members may wish to consider pursuing a Residents Parking Area)	G
Provision of a	If Members wish	Ward	TBC	The cost of such	If Members wish officers could look at	

car park close to former school site	officers could consider both the practicalities and cost of the provision of a car park which would serve the soccer centre and also act as an overflow for the OCL Sports Centre.	Members		a scheme can be calculated if members require this?	the practicalities and costs of such a scheme and advise Members for consideration?	
ASB Enforcement inputs to be given to staff residents and volunteers.	TH to give input to all interested residents. This will explain what powers the Council and the Police have to deal with issues of anti-social behaviour and criminal acts such as public order offences. Will also issue Diary sheets	Tony Hynes	Before end of May	Officer time and minimal printing costs for Diary Sheets		
	Tony Hynes to hold an advisory session with Soccer Centre employees as above	TH	Before end of May	As above		
	Tony Hynes to hold advisory session with volunteers and stewards as above	TH	Before new season in September 2014	As above		
	Tony Hynes to visit soccer centre when new season	TH	In September 2014 when season	As above and Time off in Lieu		

	commences to support and advise staff and volunteers		commences			
Moving Provision to behind the Failsworth School	For the new season i.e. September 2014-May 2015 a number of matches will be played on the new artificial surfaces which are located at the rear of Failsworth School. These patches are immediately next to a large car park beyond the school which is currently under utilised by soccer centre users who park close to the pitches at the Soccer Centre.	NC/ Parking Enforcement	In September 2014	Non pitches have been funded by other budgets	It is expected that the motivation that ensures users park on the road close to the soccer centre will also occur here. It is felt that users will want to park right next to the new pitches and this will lead to the underutilised car park being used more frequently, it is expected that this single action will have a huge effect on users parking in front of residents homes. Monitoring of the situation will occur as we need to ensure that users don't inconvenience others especially at the older people's residences close to the School car park.	
Parking Enforcement	GMP Can carry out enforcement action if users are deemed to cause an unnecessary obstruction. Oldham Council Parking Officers can take enforcement action where possible.	GMP Police Officers and Traffic PCSOs/ Parking Officers OMBC	At all times if they attend	Would only be cost if additional officers were brought in to tackle issue. If officers are diverted from other duties there will be no monetary considerations.	Inspector Kernain has advised that his officers can no longer be freed up to carry out this work due to other higher priorities. OMBC Parking officers attend almost every weekend and do issue tickets to offenders.	

Increase of paid security officers	John Robinson (mysl) will consult other officers to ascertain if they can increase the number of paid security staff or stewards.	MUMSL	September 2014	There would be a cost per officer per hour this would be met by MUSML by increasing membership fees for each team.	JR Agreed to take this to his colleagues to discuss before start of Season 2014	
The Use of body cameras	JR to consult with colleagues to establish if they will support and fund the use of body cams to gather evidence	MUMSL	Prior to September 2014	Again cost would be mumsl via clubs membership fees.	Body cameras would be ideal to support banning orders, civil action against individuals and criminal prosecutions. The cost would have to be met by the League via the clubs.	
Enforcement action by the MYMSL	MUMSL to write to every club registering for the new season outlining what is expected of players and their families in terms of parking, behaviour towards stewards and staff and indeed residents. Also the levels of behaviour expected of spectators whilst viewing games	MUMSL/NC and District Coordinator JN	Prior to commencement of new league season.	Cost met by league	A letter is to be composed jointly By MYMSL, Natalie Craig on behalf of Soccer Centre and John Norris on behalf of Oldham Council. This will warn all clubs that they face expulsion if any member of their club or relative/supporter contravenes requests about parking, the use of improper conduct or behaviour towards residents, staff or officials. Also the use of improper language whilst watching games i.e. language directed at other teams/players or referees. If behaviour cannot be traced back to individual teams then member clubs will be told by the Soccer League that the competition will be reduced in numbers by half	

<p>MUMSL Meetings to be addressed by officers from the Soccer Centre</p>	<p>NC to attend each meeting of the MUMSL to ensure that they are constantly appraised of the situation and that all club representatives are aware of expected behaviour and available sanctions</p>	<p>NC</p>	<p>ONGOING ACTION.</p>	<p>Officer Time</p>	<p>etc. Natalie will continue to attend these meetings to reinforce to clubs and the committee of what levels of behaviour are expected and what the consequences of any breaches of this behaviour policy are.</p>	
<p>Community Forum</p>	<p>Community Forum to be held if Members consider appropriate.</p>	<p>District Team</p>	<p>Either prior to season commencing i.e. before September or after it has commenced to review the new procedures</p>	<p>Officer/Members time.</p>	<p>The District Team are happy to convene a residents meeting to focus on solutions to the apparent issues before the season if Members wish. We could then follow this up by consultation meetings with residents to discuss progress and additional ways forward. I would expect partners to also attend and talk through the strategies they are employing to discuss success or otherwise.</p>	

Failsworth Sports Campus
Action Planning
Soccer Centre Actions

Theme	Action	Who?	By when?	Cost	Progress update (flag issues in bold)	BRAG
Traffic Cones	Traffic cones purchased for use on Saturdays and during events	FSC	Previous Action	£250	Traffic cones purchased for and given to residents on Brierley avenue and other surrounding streets to place outside their property. Yellow and Black cones placed along Brierley avenue to the left and right of the soccer centre to restrict parking.	G
	Traffic cones purchased for the nursing home for use on Saturdays in 2012	FSC / MYMSL	Previous action	£250	Traffic cones were purchased in 2012 stop the entrance to the nursing home being blocked. MYMSL were informed that the nursing home resold the cones to an external party as the "didn't need them"	G
Car Park Security	Car park attendants to man and manage movement of traffic on existing car parks	NC/FSC/MYMSL	July 2014	Cost to be met by league. League to explore cost increase of car park passes	Car park attendance on soccer centre, OCL and school car parks by MYMSL, soccer centre and school staff 13/14 SEASON Mini Soccer league to explore further opportunities for paid security on car parks on Saturday morning	G
OMBC Traffic Enforcement	Update parking shop on all dates of Major Events	NC	June 2014	£0	NC ensured parking shop is aware of dates and times of major events. Continue to update parking shop on a regular basis	
Attendance at Meetings	NC TO attend all league meeting	NC	MONTHLY	TIME	NC attends regular meetings to ensure all teams and leagues are aware of the issues. Constant requests placed on	

					<p>team managers to educate parents and spectators of where to park for the event. This message is spoken on a monthly basis.</p> <p>NC to attend AGM in June to speak about the forthcoming season plans</p>	
Promotion / publicity / fliers	Information fliers placed on cars on Saturday morning	FSC / NC	Weekly during the season	Printing costs	<p>Information fliers placed on cars on a weekly basis with maps and directions to official car parking.</p> <p>Car parking is FREE of charge and this is also promoted.</p> <p>Discount vouchers also produced off hot food for those spectators parking in the designated school car park.</p>	
Parking for 14/15 in school car park	130 car park spaces at school	NC	COMPLETE	OFFICER TIME	Adequate car parking provided at the rear of the school. For 14/15 season. there will be a natural migration of care / people using the school car park as this is nearer to the new pitch where half of the age groups will play.	
Use of St Johns Primary school	Meetings / discussions held with school for use of their playground				<p>Use Of St John School – The use of St Johns School yard was suggested for additional car parking as this has a pathway in to the soccer centre and would enable easy access and also enable further parking capacity close to the venue.</p> <p>Following a meeting with Mr Kehoe Headteacher at St Johns School and conversations held with St Johns school governors, it has been decided by the school governing body that they will not grant permission for the use of the school for parking. There were 3 reasons given:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Security of school grounds 	

					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Wear and Tear on the car park – Concerns for Oil Spillages etc 3. Neighbouring properties 	
Volunteers	Discussions with FA and colleges for potential students support				<p>More Volunteers to support logistics of running the league: Working with Manchester FA to support the following plan of action: (from Shirley Veevers Manchester County FA)</p> <p>Following our conversation and ideas discussed earlier this week, just wanted to update on the actions Manchester FA will be looking to implement to assist the league and the venue with their issue of logistic/league co-ordinators on a Saturday.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Renewing the work/previous conversations with Tameside College, we will be holding discussions when they return from Easter break to look at recruiting a number of students to assist the league with co-ordinating logistics on league fixture days and also assisting the venue to help steward large numbers of players and parents on the site so that the site runs smoothly with plenty of volunteers around to help. - There is potential that we can utilise a group of students that can deliver this as part of leading on a project (which is part of their academic studies also) and they 	

					<p>will commit hours through this to the league.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- This will provide the league with a pool of new volunteers that can assist on match days, and also meets the College objective of students overseeing a project. Further details will need to be confirmed with the college over the next month.- SV to meet with Paul at the league following discussions with Tameside College to agree proposal- FYI - I am currently advertising a few committee roles for the league as they have highlighted recently, however the above will help manage the actual delivery of the league <p>I would just like to clarify that this is a new approach for the league and the facility, and it is something that both myself and Natalie are happy to support in partnership for the league, to help address some of the current issues faced. Although it is in essence a short term/seasonal pilot, there is no reason why there may not be some longer term volunteers that may want to commit to the league for future years and be future committee members, which is the ultimate aim of</p>	
--	--	--	--	--	--	--

					the sustainability of the league. This will need a collaborative approach of ensuring and encouraging new volunteers to have a positive experience	
Letter to MYMSL and other users	Letter drafted to go out to all clubs informing of actions and sanctions for forthcoming season	MYMSL	April 2014	MYMSL TIME	Letter to be drafted to inform all clubs of current situation and also consequences and sanctions for not adhering to rules and request put in to place. Letter requested following meeting. Letter not submitted by league as on 19 th May. NC has taken subsequent action and written letter on leagues behalf. League to also introduce a BI Law for the new season including sanctions and actions.	
Reporting procedures	Reporting procedure to be implemented for residents	NCR / JNorris	July 2014	Office time Printing Time to distribute	Letter to be drafted to residents informing them of plans for next season and to provide residents with a reporting template to capture any evidence of vehicle obstructing properties or use of ASB. Residents to them submit any reports to NC to deal with and also district team and GMP if required.	
Residents Newsletter	Residents newsletter to be produced for soccer centre surrounding area	NCR P Kenworthy	Meeting May 27th July 2014	Time and production	Natalie Craig meeting with Penny Kenworthy to discuss and piece together a newsletter informing residents of good news stories, previous and forthcoming events and other soccer centre information.	

