

SADDLEWORTH & LEES DISTRICT EXECUTIVE
19/06/2014 at 7.30 pm



Present: Councillor Sedgwick (Chair)
Councillors A. Alexander, Harkness, Heffernan, Hudson,
Kirkham and Klonowski

Also in Attendance:

Michele Carr	AED Neighbourhoods, Housing and Planning
Lori Hughes	Constitutional Services
Lisa MacDonald	District Co-ordinator

1 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor McCann and Councillor Sheldon.

2 **URGENT BUSINESS**

There were no items of urgent business received.

3 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Heffernan declared a prejudicial interest in Item 8, "Budget Report", in relation to the Uppermill Stage Society application, by virtue of being the President of the Society and had been involved in discussions relating to the application. He left the meeting during consideration of the application and took no part in the discussion or vote thereon.

4 **ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR**

RESOLVED that Councillor Adrian Alexander be elected Vice Chair of the Saddleworth and Lees District Executive for the Municipal Year 2014/2015.

5 **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

There was one public question received.

Mr. Keith Lucas

"Now that the EFA have stated that they have yet to make a decision on the location of the new school, that Uppermill has always been an option and that they are now carefully evaluating the alternatives, would the District Executive now support the Saddleworth residents in asking for the new school to be built on the existing site in Uppermill?"

The District Executive noted the question and responded that District Executive would support the decision of the EFA.

6 **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Saddleworth and Lees District Executive held on 27th March 2014 be approved as a correct record.

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PETITIONS

The District Executive considered two petitions which had been received. The District Executive were also asked to note the amendments to the Petitions Protocol agreed at Annual Council on 11th June 2014.

The two petitions were:

- 2014-002: Flooding Issues on Churchill Playing Fields, Uppermill; and
- 2014-004: Resident Only Parking Request for Stanley Street / Walkers Lane, Lees.

RESOLVED that:

1. the petition regarding Flooding Issues on Churchill Playing Fields be referred to the District Co-ordinator to respond.
2. the petition regarding the Resident Only Parking Request be noted as this was being progressed.
3. the revised Petition Protocol agreed at Annual Council be noted.

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SADDLEWORTH AND LEES DE BUDGET REPORT

The District Executive considered a report which advised of the breakdown of funding expenditure during 2013/2014, its available budget for 2014/15 and sought consideration of funding for a number of projects and areas of work.

Councillor Heffernan left the meeting during consideration of the Uppermill Stage Society Application and took no part in the discussion or the vote thereon.

RESOLVED that:

1. The funding allocations made by the District Executive during 2013/14 be noted.
2. The funding available for the District Executive for 2014/15 be noted.
3. The allocation of £3,500 for the support of the existing Christmas lights commitments be approved.
4. The allocation of £3,500 for the provision of districts trees in Lees and Uppermill be approved.
5. The allocation of £1,300 for refilling of additional grit bins be approved.
6. The allocation of £850 for bagged salt for hand held gritters be approved.
7. The allocation of £5,000 for summer planting be approved.

8. The allocation of £15,000 for the Whit Friday Band Contest be approved.
9. The allocation of £10,000 for to support to refurbish the Delph Methodist Car Park be approved.
10. The allocation of £1,500 for support to community development and engagement activity in Saddleworth and Lees during 2014/2015 be approved.
11. The allocation of £3,500 for support to the Saddleworth Festival of the Arts 2015 be approved.
12. The allocation of £600 for support works to the Uppermill Stage Society be approved.

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DATES AND TIMES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

RESOLVED that the dates and times of the Saddleworth and Lees District Executive meetings for the municipal year 2014/2015 be noted.

The meeting started at 7.46 pm and ended at 8.15 pm