

**SHAW AND CROMPTON DISTRICT EXECUTIVE**  
**01/12/2015 at 7.00 pm**



**Present:** Councillor Williamson (Chair)  
Councillors Blyth, Gloster, Murphy, Sykes and Turner

Also in Attendance:

Michele Carr	AED Special Projects
Elizabeth Fryman	District Co-ordinator
Caroline Walmsley	Constitutional Services

1           **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from John Rooney.

2           **URGENT BUSINESS**

The Chair and Members of the District Executive paid tribute to Michele Carr, Assistant Executive Director Special Projects, who was leaving the authority at the end of the month.

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 20<sup>th</sup> October 2015 be approved as a correct record.

6           **PETITIONS - DATA PROTECTION**

At its meeting on the 20th October 2015, the District Executive considered a report which provided advice on data protection issues in relation to petitions and requested that further advice be sought on what sanctions there would be, if any, if Ward Councillors, upon inspecting petitions, disclosed personal information contained within the petition.

The Information Management team and Assistant Borough Solicitor provided advice on the current position in line with the Data Protection Act and Members Code of Conduct.

It was reported that, when signatories sign a petition, there may well be an expectation of confidentiality and, also, an understanding that their information will only be used to indicate their views, i.e. in support of a subject. It was likely that the petition signatories would expect their information to not be used for any other purpose. To process the information for an additional purpose could therefore be in breach of the Data Protection Act. Furthermore, should confidential information be

disclosed then potentially there could be a breach of the Members Code of Conduct if such information was knowingly disclosed.

**RESOLVED** that the advice provided by the Information Management team and Assistant Borough Solicitor be noted.

7 **PETITION - SAVE SHAW MARKET**

Further to the receipt of the 'Save Shaw Market' petition, which requested that Shaw Market stay on its present site with investment to bring Farmers Markets and Christmas Markets to the area and opposed closing Market Street to traffic every week, it was reported that a meeting had been held on 10<sup>th</sup> November 2015 and following discussion, Members agreed with the recommendations for Shaw Market to remain on its present site with investment to bring Farmers Markets and Christmas Markets to the area.

**RESOLVED** that the recommendation of the petitioners be supported and the Council be urged to honour their request.

8 **SHAW AND CROMPTON COMMUNITY FORUM MINUTES - 20.10.15**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Shaw and Crompton Community Forum held on 20<sup>th</sup> October 2015 be noted.

9 **MINUTES OF THE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE SUB GROUPS**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Health and Wellbeing Sub-Group meeting be noted.

10 **MEMBER ENGAGEMENT SPATIAL STRATEGY FRAMEWORK**

The District Executive considered a report and received a presentation on the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework (GMSF) and Transport Strategy and what the key issues were for Oldham.

It was reported that once completed the Framework would:

- Determine how many new homes and how much land was needed for new jobs over the next 20 years, as well as identifying broad locations or areas for development;
- Identify infrastructure (such as transport links and public services) required to support development; and,
- Identify ways the city-region's green space can be protected alongside development so that great places where people want to live, work and visit are developed.

Once adopted, it would form an integral part of the Council's Local Plan.

The Greater Manchester Spatial Framework Councillors Briefing was appended to the report and provided further details on:



- What the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework was
- Why it was needed
- The timescales for preparing it;
- The purpose of the Call for Sites exercise; and
- How Councillors and residents could get involved

To ensure that all potential sites suitable for development could be identified a 'call for sites' would also be carried out as part of the preparation of the GMSF. This would help to determine whether there are areas of land available for development that individual districts were not currently aware of.

It was further reported that Transport for Greater Manchester was preparing a new long term 2040 transport strategy, which would replace the current Local Transport Plan 3 and support the delivery of the Greater Manchester Strategy and the emerging Spatial Framework. The Transport Strategy themes were outlined along with work being undertaken to identify an up to date set of priorities for Oldham.

Public consultation began on 9th November 2015 and would run through to 11th January 2016. Workshops had been arranged for 7<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> December to provide an opportunity for Members to discuss potential sites for development as part of the 'Call for Sites'. Details of these would be circulated to all Members in due course.

The District Executive raised concerns regarding the importance of Oldham having a voice within Greater Manchester in terms of investment and infrastructure. The Cabinet Member for Housing, Planning and Highways gave reassurance that all ten authorities would need to be in agreement in terms of the plan. The importance of cross party working was highlighted to secure a better future for Oldham.

The issue of empty existing office space was raised along with what was being done to tackle this. It was important to look at re-using existing space and this good be discussed at the drop in sessions planned for the 7<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> December.

Further concerns were raised regarding Greenbelt land and the approach to the Greenbelt Review.

**RESOLVED** that the report and presentation be noted and circulated to Members.

## **FRASER STREET JUNCTION**

The District Executive considered a report which provided an update on the Rochdale Road/Fraser Street/Chamber Road junction. It was reported that the Draft Highways Capital Programme had now been finalised and for the first time it would take the form of a 3 year programme of work for the period

2016/17, 2017/18 and 2018/19. Provision had been made for the Rochdale Road/Fraser Street junction. A budget of £46.7k had been allocated in Year 2 of the three year programme.



Members felt that it should be requested that works be completed in year 1 of the programme and if this wasn't possible then it was essential that the work be completed in year two.

**RESOLVED that:**

1. The update be noted.
2. It be requested that works be completed in year 1 of the programme.
3. If works cannot be completed in year 1 of the programme, then assurance be sought that works be completed no later than year 2.

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**PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS RESOLUTION**

The District Executive considered a report which provided an update on the Property Transaction resolution made at the 20<sup>th</sup> October meeting, where it was requested for all proposed land and property disposals, irrespective of the nature of tenure, be subject to ward member consultation, be forwarded to the Constitutional Working Group for consideration and confirmation of different interpretations of the current protocol.

It was reported that this request had been taken forward to the Director of Legal Services and the Head of Assets Management and Estates would submit revised proposals reflecting this request to the next meeting of the Constitutional Working Group, the date for which was yet to be confirmed.

**RESOLVED** that the update be noted.

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**YOUTH PROVISION IN SHAW AND CROMPTON AREA**

The District Executive considered a report which provided an overview of youth work delivered by Mahdlo in Shaw. The Detached Team and Youth Development Officer were seconded to Mahdlo from Oldham Council and worked within the area alongside Mahdlo's Lead Youth Worker and team of Youth Support Workers. Together they formed the Spokes team that was overseen by the District Youth Work Manager. The priorities for the team were set by Mahdlo and the District Team to ensure local need was met.

The report outlined the function of each team/officer role and the work carried out by each team along with future projects and plans and the future vision for district work.

It was queried how feedback was provided to Elected Members on the views of young people. It was suggested that Youth Workers could submit regular reports to the District Executive to enable improved communication along with more frequent liaison with the District Co-ordinator.

It was reported that funding options were being currently being examined.

**RESOLVED that:**

1. The update be noted.
2. Regular update reports be submitted to the District Executive for consideration.
3. The District Co-ordinator to provide the District Youth Work Manager with the District Executive meeting dates.

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**SHAW AND CROMPTON DISTRICT EXECUTIVE BUDGET REPORT AND APPENDIX A**

Consideration was given to a report of the Executive Director Co-operatives and Neighbourhoods, which provided Members with a summary of the budget, including the ward budget and the individual Councillor budgets.

It was highlighted that the Individual Councillor budgets had not yet been spent and therefore firm recommendations needed to be submitted to the January meeting. There was also a need to allocate the remaining Public Health monies.

**RESOLVED that:**

1. The report be noted.
2. Recommendations for the allocation of the remaining Individual Councillor Budget and Public Health monies be submitted to the January meeting of the District Executive.

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**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**RESOLVED** that the date of the next meeting be noted.

The meeting started at 7.00 pm and ended at 8.43 pm