



ROYTON COMMUNITY FORUM MEETING
Monday 13 March 2017
6.15pm
Royton Town Hall, Rochdale Road, Royton

Minutes

Councillors in attendance	
Cllr H Roberts	Royton North
Cllr J Larkin	Royton North
Cllr M Bashforth	Royton South
Cllr S Bashforth	Royton South
Cllr A Chadderton	Royton South
Partners in attendance	
Liz Fryman	R, S & C District Coordinator
Jen Downing	R, S & C Case Worker
Linda Cain	Business Support Officer
Members of the public x 35	
Apologies	
Cllr T Larkin	Royton North
Craig Dickinson	GMP

1. Welcome and Apologies:

Cllr H Roberts thanked everyone for attending and apologies were noted from Cllr T Larkin and Craig Dickenson (GMP)

2. Minutes of the last meeting for approval:

Noted and agreed

3. Action Updates from previous Royton Community Forum:

Resident to give her details to Liz Fryman regarding Angela Avenue issues/barrier: LF advised that Cllr S Bashforth, Phil Bonworth and LF attended site to meet with residents – completed.

4. Police Update:

No Police attended the meeting

Crime Statistics 01.01.17 - 24.02.17					
	Q1 APR - JUN	Q2 JUL - SEPT	Q3 OCT - DEC	Q4 1 st Jan -To 24.02.17	2016 01.01.16- 24.02.16
Robbery	5	2	4	1	2
Burglary dwelling including aggravated	39	37	24	11	20
Burglary other than a dwelling	24	21	29	14	22
Theft of a motor vehicle	8	6	9	14	3
Theft from a motor vehicle	57	36	51	21	27

Violent Crime Statistics 06.01.17 – 24.02.17		
	2016	2017
Violent crime (includes GBH and sexual assault and harassment)	17	27
Assault without injury	23	28

ASB Related Statistics 06.01.17 – 24.02.17		
Royton North	06.01.16 – 24.02.16	06.01.17 – 24.02.17
Rowdy Or Inconsiderate Behaviour	64	22
Youth Related (Under 18)	29	10
Royton South	06.01.16 – 24.02.16	06.01.17 – 24.02.17
Rowdy Or Inconsiderate Behaviour	32	22
Youth Related (Under 18)	17	9

REPORT ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR BY RINGING 101

- Residents raised an issue at Church Street. Cllr J Larkin advised that Police have looked into the problem at Church Street previously and the situation improved but may be getting worse now that evenings are lighter and the weather is improving. Cllr Larkin advised that he would request that the Police look into the area again.
- Resident from Church Street asked if she would be ok to put up a CCTV camera on her property. Cllr Bashforth advised that she could do but warned that many of the cheaper cameras have bad playback quality.

Action: Cllr M Bashforth commented that violent crime has risen and requested that the Police provide a report on this at the next Community Forum

Messages:

- A few weeks left to get involved in the consultation to develop the first Citizen's Contract for Greater Manchester Police. This is to encourage members of the public to voice what they want from the Police. The questionnaire requires completing before 31st March 2017

Link: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/Citizenscontractsurvey>

5. *Standing items:

Greater Manchester Spatial Framework

Nothing new to update

Royton Regeneration Projects

The middle stone is still to be sited from the old pool stone work.
Stonework from Byron Street School is to be sited at Royton Hall School

A resident asked when the steps, wheel and plaque were going to be put back on Royton precinct. Councillor Steve Bashforth said that these were in storage at present and that the discussions need to take place with the precinct owners before plans can be made for the plaques and Wheel of Life can go back.

Action: Cllrs to establish what plans the new owners might have for the precinct.

The meeting was advised that a mini Royton masterplan was being developed to look at improvements that could be made in future years in the District Centre. Cllrs were very clear that although there is no funding available at the moment, a mini masterplan would give the town a plan to work towards.

The Halsall Lloyd Partnership who are doing this work on behalf of the council, will be on Royton market on Thursday 16th March talking to residents.

6. Councillor Updates:

Cllrs gave a flavour of the work Cllrs have been involved in since the last meeting.

Cllr Roberts:

PSPO consultation on Royton market to enable Oldham Council and GMP to reduce Anti-Social Behaviour. Landlords have signed up to a voluntary agreement to help reduce problems on the precinct.

Funding has been set aside for CCTV in Royton district although this is part of a borough wide scheme and we do not have timescales in place as yet.

Cllr J Larkin:

Noticed an increase in case work

Proposed development of 27 properties on Thorpe Road, First Choice Homes – A consultation to be held on Thursday 16th March 4.15pm – 7pm at Royton Band Club is residents are interested.

Audit committee

Cllr Marie Bashforth:

Is to put forward a question to full council regarding the demolition of a building at Holden Fold Lane – Legal notice to take down and make safe.

Cllr Amanda Chadderton:

Education issues around Clarksfield and Saddleworth.

Parking around Royal Oldham hospital; putting more pressure on the hospital to address this issue.

Having a walk around Royton to see what Cllr funding can be allocated to in view of the closing of budgets for year-end.

Cllr Steve Bashforth:

Increased amount of casework at present.

Would like to move the speed camera on Broadway, closer to Shaw Road end; reported complaints from residents that they believe HGV's are speeding at night down this stretch. The speed limit designations are confusing on Broadway and this needs to be addressed. Continue to work towards a solution to Royal Oldham hospital parking issues. Heyside Forum running along the lines of our Community Forum meeting – 1st Monday in each month.

Alleyways have been cleaned, flooding/drainage issues are being looked at.

7. Public Questions

7.1 Q: St Philips Drive/Carrbrook area, can we have this resurfaced please as cobbles are showing.

A: Cllr Steve Bashforth stated that there were no funds at present but councillors do want to do something in this area and agreed that the roads are a mess. Cllr Chadderton said that she had previously raised a query about these roads and will chase for a response from Highways. Resident was asked to leave contact details and a response would be given when able.

7.1 Action: Cllr A Chadderton to request costs for resurfacing around St Philips Drive/Carrbrook area.

7.2 Q: The 402 bus has been diverted and doesn't come to Grasmere Road area now. No warning had been given and this area has many pensioners who rely on the bus.

A: Cllr James Larkin stated that whilst he had spoken to TfGM about the bus route, he did not request that this area be cut. Cllr Larkin will go back to TfGM to see what is happening.

7.2 Action: Cllr James Larkin to request that the Grasmere Rd part of the 402 route is re-instated.

7.3 Q: What has happened to the 24 bus, now have to get the 181 or 182 from Oldham.

A: Cllr James Larkin said he was advised that the number of people using on the 24 bus had dropped and so it has been cut.

7.4 Q: Rush hour traffic on Broadway and in the District centre is creating major congestion, due to Street Bridge being closed. Could the bus lane be used whilst this work is going on?

A: This is a small section and may not help the traffic issue, but could cause other problems with not letting people in the lane etc. United Utilities are doing this work and is taking longer to complete than first expected.

7.4 Action: LF to request Highways to review arrangements and establish if anything further can be done to alleviate the rush hour traffic problem.

7.5 Q: Parking permits at St Philips Drive – Parking permits have dates on them, will these be reissued or will we have to re-apply?

A: Cllr Bashforth said that residents will be able to re-apply for permits.

7.6 Q: Car park on Park Street has bollards that have been knocked over and are obstructing parking spaces.

A: Cllr Steve Bashforth said that this would be looked into and dealt with as soon as possible.

Action: Cllr S Bashforth to raise with Highways team.

8. Any Other Business

Nothing to note

9. Date of Next Meeting:

Monday 12 June 2017, 6.00pm at Royton Town Hall