



# Minutes

Present	
Cllr H Roberts	Royton North
Cllr J Larkin	Royton North
Cllr C Phythian	Royton North
Cllr S Bashforth	Royton South
Cllr A Chadderton	Royton South
Liz Fryman	R,S & C District Coordinator
Linda Cain	Business Support Officer
Members of the public x 11	
Apologies	
Cllr M Bashforth	Royton South

## 1. Welcome and Apologies:

- Cllr James Larkin welcomed everyone to the meeting.

## 2. Minutes of the last meeting for approval:

- Noted and agreed

## 3. Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting.

*Action: Cllr S Bashforth - Community meeting to discuss house burglary and car crime*  
Cllr Bashforth has asked Inspector Wilson to attend next meeting to discuss.

*Action: Could old clinic site to be top soiled and seeded*

An agent has now been appointed and the site is to be marketed very soon

*Action: Information about change to 412 bus route*

Cllr Phythian has spoken with TfGM and explained this is not cost effective.

*Action: What is happening with the Dog and Partridge pub*

Planning application has been admitted and will be assessed in the next month. Plans submitted are for 4 offices and 9 apartments

*Action: Who owns the land at the bottom of Haggate and the area where people are fly tipping. (Haggate OL2 5DU)*

Land is registered but the company has been dissolved. Next step is to write to free holders

*Action: Flooding issue at Hindle Drive and what is being done about this*

A request for information has been submitted and we are waiting for the flood team to respond

## 4. Police Update:

No Police attended the meeting although a report was provided.

- Rise in assault without injury figures
- Reductions in robbery, burglary and vehicle crime
- Decrease in ASB compared to the same period 2017

### Herbert Protocol

The Herbert Protocol is a national scheme being introduced locally by Greater Manchester Police and other local agencies which encourages carers and family members to compile useful key information which could be used in the event of a person with dementia going missing.

The Herbert Protocol is a form which is kept at home, or in a safe place, with important information about a vulnerable person. Should they go missing, information is easily on hand about routines, medical requirements and favourite places to visit and can be handed over to the police, alleviating the worry of collecting it together during a stressful time

Resident reported three serious incidents that took place at Halfway House where the Police responded three weeks later. The resident went to say that GMP should be asking communities what they want in their area.

Cllr Larkin said that he could not answer this question but would ask GMP.

Cllr Roberts said that GMP could be asked about how priorities are set and request Steve Hall to attend the next Community Forum

**Action: 4.1 – LF to request Police attend the next Royton Community Forum to discuss how Police priorities are set.**

### **5. Royton Regeneration – Royton Town Hall & Library**

- Nothing more to update at present
- Zebra crossing – Cllr Larkin to chase the report that was requested about Royton crossing
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**Action 5.1: LF to follow up the report regarding Royton zebra crossing**

### **6. Councillor Updates:**

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

#### **Royton North:**

##### **Cllr H Roberts:**

- Thornham Mill – Enforcement action to be taken regarding the signs on the mill
- Surgery around Grasmere – Investigation into flooding to go ahead. Meeting to be held on 14<sup>th</sup> March
- Highways works – Suggestions have been put forward by Cllrs for additional work to the main capital programme for 2018.
- Complaints about a vacant lot at Fir Lane – Rubbish being dumped and the burning of rubbish
- 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of women getting the vote – Equal suffrage 90 years.
- International Women's Day on 8<sup>th</sup> March – Performance by Oldham Theatre Workshop at the Annie Kenney plinth, Parliament Square at 12.30pm

##### **Cllr J Larkin:**

- Potholes and re-surfacing works – suggested areas are Church Street, Tandle Hill Road, New Park Way, Oozewood, St Pauls School estate, Middleton Road, Stottfield, Milton Street, Fir Lane, Narrowgate Brow and Kensington Brow
- Bamforth Street and Shaw Street also need doing suggested a resident

- Cemetary Road is more difficult and more expensive due to the trees pulling up the road. A resident suggested removing the trees. Cllr Larkin stated that residents have not requested this option but we can ask.
- General case work and meetings
- Cllr Larkin praised Craig Dale and his team for keeping the roads as clear as possible in the heavy snow
- Pothole form on the internet to report potholes – Online form

**Action 6.2: LF to investigate if the trees could be removed at Cemetary Road**

**Action 6.3: LC to create a pack regarding useful reporting information E.g. Potholes for next Community Forum**

**Cllr C Phythian:**

- Busy with case work
- Potholes to be filled as per meeting with Unity Partnership – Conservation area has been defined
- Various meetings

**Royton South:**

**Cllr M Bashforth:**

- Homeless/Rough sleepers – Cllr Marie Bashforth has put together an information pack with useful numbers and contacts and has been talking rough sleepers on the district centre to pass the information on.

**Cllr S Bashforth:**

- Busy with casework
- Heyside continues to have raised levels of car and burglary crime. It's been hard to confirm a meeting date with Police but hopefully new Inspector will pick up.
- We are continuing to feel the impact of severe budget cuts and so whilst we understand it can be frustrating for residents making service requests, services have nowhere near the number of staff and resources we used to have.
- Would like to hold meetings at Heyside – Maybe look to holding a special meeting or a meeting about a particular issue at Heyside

**Cllr Chadderton:**

- Casework is busy
- St Philips Drive to be re-surfaced
- Dales to Rochdale Road pathway to be re-done
- Report to approve speed bumps at Hilborough Avenue

**7. Public Questions**

7.1 Q: Haggate pavement, left hand side is slanted. On Haggate opposite the pub

**Action 7.1: LF to investigate the pavement issue at Haggate**

7.2 Q: Where has the grit bin gone from the top of Charles Street

**Action 7.2: LF to investigate where the grit bin has gone from the top of Charles Street**

7.3 Q: Burnt out wheelie bin and fly-tipping was reported at the side of old Grey Mare pub – walkway through to Mildred Ave.

**Action 7.3: Cllr Chadderton to request that fly-tipping at side of Old Grey Mare pub is investigated.**

7.4 Q: A resident reported that the precinct shops are being broken into and can CCTV be put in.

A: CCTV is already in place on the precinct; however this does not cover the rear of any businesses. If CCTV is required at the rear of premises, the business will need to do this themselves. Advice has been offered by Community safety Services and GMP in the past regarding security.

7.5 Q: A resident report that one of the licenced premises was selling beer at 10.15am on Sunday

A: Will look into this

**Action 7.5: LF to check on the premises licence.**

7.6 Q: Can we have the 'Wheel of Time' back on the square. The plinth is a trip hazard as slightly raised.

A: This is in storage along with the memorial stones at Alexander Park. The plinth is kerbed for anyone with sight problems. Councillor Larkin said that a meeting had been held with London and Cambridge who have asked about the space. We need to wait and see what they come back with. Councillor Steve Bashforth suggested bringing these back into the space at the rear of the Town Hall when renovations have been completed. Options to be considered.

**7.7 There was praise for the Highways team responsible for gritting and thanks for doing a really good job in very harsh weather conditions.**

7.8 Residents reported that the path in Tandle Hills near to the granite memorial marker stone, has become very slippery.

**Action 7.8: LF to report slippery path near to granite memorial marker to Countryside Service.**

7.9 Q: Could the gates at Royton Cemetery be repainted?

**Action 7.9: LF to request gates at Royton Cemetery be painted.**

## **8. Any Other Business**

Nothing to note

## **9. Date of Next Meeting:**

Monday 04 June 2018, 6.00pm at Royton Town Hall