



ROYTON COMMUNITY FORUM MEETING
Monday 16 July 2018
6.00pm
Royton Town Hall, Rochdale Road, Royton

Minutes

Present	
Cllr H Roberts	Royton North
Cllr J Larkin	Royton North
Cllr A Chadderton	Royton South
Cllr M Bashforth	Royton South
Liz Fryman	R,S & C District Coordinator
Linda Cain	Case worker
Stewart Wilson	GMP
NBO Lee Ingham	GMP
Karen Worthington	Bridgewater NHS Trust
Jeanette Olsen	Bridgewater NHS Trust
Members of the public	17 signed in
Apologies	
Cllr C Phythian	Royton North
Cllr S 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.

3.1 Issue: *Fly-tipping at side of Old Grey Mare pub to be investigated* – Requested removal and clean up.

3.2 Issue: *Resident went on to report that the newly laid footpath from the War Memorial to the top of the steps is gravelled and is very difficult underfoot* – Countryside Services advised that they are not aware of any issues but as with many of our crushed stone paths the prolonged lack of rain has dried them out to such an extent that the surface stone is not as consolidated and can be loose. This usually re consolidates when our usual weather returns and the ground is damper.

3.3 Issue: *Request that a representative from the decision making body attend the next Community Forum to explain the moving of the Health visitors* – Right Start representatives were in attendance at the meeting.

3.4 Issue: *To request an update on the actions recommended in the 2016 Education and Skills Commission Report* – Completed and written report handed to resident who made the request, at the end of the meeting.

3.5 Issue: *To request weeding and tidy up of Royton baths stonework* - Requested

4. Baby weigh in clinic location

Tracey Harrison did not attend but Karen Worthington and Jeanette Olsen from Bridgewater NHS Trust addressed the item.

- The establishment of the Right Start brought together all services and partners in one building, Royton Children's Centre, to provide a better integrated service to parents
- Some consultation did happen at the time of moving the baby weigh in clinic, but this was maybe not robust enough and did not capture all views
- Other services are available at The Children's Centre, which were not available at the Health Centre
- At Royton Children's Centre, there are concerns over parking and access for prams has already been addressed. Anyone finding it difficult to attend the Children's Centre has been offered a home visit.
- Cllr Marie Bashforth asked if the baby weigh in part of the service could come back to Royton Health Centre as this is a central site – Karen said that this may be possible but would need looking into. Health visitors run the building and staff would have to be taken from the Children's Centre to the Health Centre.
- Residents agreed that The Children's Centre is too far out and an inconvenience for parking, prams and getting the bus to the centre.

Action 4.1: KW to ask Tracey Harrison to review of evidence rates before and after the move with a view to changing the contract specification with Bridgewater, so that the baby clinic can return to Royton health and Wellbeing centre.

5. Police Update:

- Police report was provided and figures discussed
 - ASB figures are down
 - Work continues on Broadway regarding inconsiderate parking around TOAN
 - Cllr Hannah Roberts asked about rules around mosquito alarms that affect young people – Inspector Wilson said that they had not received any complaints.
- Action 5.1: Find out what the rules are around mosquito alarms**
- Operation Ergo: Change in shift patterns to give a better service to the community with more Police on the streets.
 - Focus on community based work
 - Priorities: Schools; drugs, theft, swimming in open water and fires. ASB, Homewatch, Business watch and work with young people.
 - Residents reported ASB problems at Cecil St especially late Friday night into the early hours of Saturday morning. Cars are being driven up and down at speed, large groups of young people are gathering in the cars at the bottom where the road ends.

Action: NBO Lee Ignham advised he will investigate.

6. Royton Regeneration – Royton Town Hall & Library

Cllrs gave an update on progress with the Town Hall and Library.

7. Councillor Updates:

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

Royton North:

Cllr H Roberts:

- GMSF – Has been revised and now should now be due out in October 2018
- Cemetery Road – Looking at cost of resurfacing up to the cemetery. Trees have been assessed and resurface can take place if done sensitively. A large tree on the street

has been the subject of a recent petition to the local MP. Whilst at this site, garden trimmings were found dumped in the cemetery grounds and removal was arranged.

- Holly Estate, new development on Thorp Road – The noisy work has now finished. Lots of interest from local people.
- Combatting ASB and drug dealing at Victoria Way – A new lighting column has been installed and this has the capacity to mount CCTV if required. Hopefully this will improve the situation.

Cllr J Larkin:

- Lots of casework – inconsiderate parking and obstructions.
- Flake Lane parking – would like to develop a scheme of bays
- Pushing for Royton Town Hall works to get started
- Overview and Scrutiny Board have been working with DWP regarding Universal Credit

Royton South:

Cllr M Bashforth:

- Latics resident issues escalated to Chief Executive
- Heyside Homewatch to be arranged
- 101 number has been taken up at Council campaign for a better service
- Turf Lane bridge (Newbank Garden Centre) being looked into to make it safer for pedestrians
- Cambian Care meeting held – to discuss issues facing residents
- Royton Events Group – Eve Edwards working on this
- Attendance at the Mayoral event in Shaw
- Residents and GMP meeting regarding ASB
- Armed Forces Day at The Railway Pub
- Attended various meetings and panels

Cllr A Chadderton

- Seville Street parking issues are being investigated. A residents parking scheme will only displace the parking problems.
- Pathway – Park Mill, Sandy Lane is overgrown quite badly and needs to be cleared
- Now Cabinet member for Children's Services

8. Public Questions

8.1: Norris Bradbury Stone at Tandle Hills that has been resited is in a position that in summer and when dry it is fine however when rainy it is like a mud bath – could steps be put in?

A: Andy Moorhouse can cost this in the first instance and see if there is scope within budgets for the work. If we formalise the slope with steps we will also need to surface/create a path from the steps to the stone and possibly across the grass area at the bottom next to the pond as this also becomes very muddy during the winter months.

8.2 Q: Potholes on Bamford Street. Parking on the corner at Shaw Street – Resident requested double yellow lines to be considered.

Action 8.2: Report the potholes at Bamford Street.

Action 8.2a: Request site visit to assess visibility issues for drivers at the junction Shaw Street and Bamford St.

8.3 Q: Has the council stopped cleaning grids at Hanging Chadder/Springfield Lane?

A: Grids are cleaned on a cycle and the ones in this area will be cleaned in next couple of months. If any issues, always report these.

8.4 Q: A resident raised the footpath at Cheviot way being closed off, along with a number of other footpath related complaints.

A: This issue is with our legal team.

Action 8.4: LC to investigate footpath issues as received from resident

8.5 Q: Hall Street – parking issues. Resident had pictures and statement highlighting the issue. Resident stated that when she confronted one driver, he threw a half sandwich at her.

A: Cllr James Larkin has investigated this matter previously and the areas are owned by First Choice Homes. Liz Fryman advised that the sandwich being thrown is common assault and should be reported to the Police.

Action 8.5: LC to raise again the parking issue at Hall Street with FCHO

8.6 Q: Can TfGM be contacted regarding the 409 bus service. This is supposed to be a 10 minute service.

A: Cllr James Larkin said that the 409 was intended to be a 10 minute service. Will look into this

Action 8.6: LC to look into 409 bus service with TfGM

8.7 Q: Middleton Road/Streetbridge – residents asked again about a filter on the lights

A: Cllr James Larkin asked for this to be investigated and implemented if possible

Action 8.7: LC – Request the filter on the lights to be investigated at Middleton Road/Streetbridge

9. Any Other Business

Summer activities in Royton flyer for promotion

10. Date of Next Meeting:

Monday 15 October 2018, 6.00pm at Royton Town Hall