

Actions from Council 9<sup>th</sup> September 2020

ACTION	ISSUE/RESPONSE	WHO RESPONSIBLE	DATE COMPLETED
Electronic Voting at Council	Permit the use of electronic voting at meetings.	Council	Council approved the report on 9 September 2020.
Question on Cabinet Minutes: Clean Air Update from Councillor Murphy	Emissions tests and number of taxis in the borough	Councillor Brownridge	Response sent. See Note 1 below.
Question on Peak District National Park Authority Minutes from Councillor Harkness	Issue of Illegal Killing of Birds of Prey	Councillor McLaren	Response sent 9 Oct 20. See Note 2 below.
Question on GM Waste and Recycling Committee Minutes	Impact on fly-tipping incidents; spend on cleaning up after fly-tippers; comparisons with previous year; impact due to closure of recycling centres under coronavirus	Councillor Brownridge	Response sent. See Note 3 below.
Administration Motion: Planning for the Future	Response to be sent to the Consultation	Chief Executive	In progress.
Opposition Motion 1: Not Every Disability is Visible	Referred to Overview and Scrutiny	Overview and Scrutiny	In progress.
Opposition Motion 2: Let's All Do Our Bit to Tackle Litter	Overview and Scrutiny to examine merits of becoming a Local Authority member of the Keep Britain Tidy Network	Overview and Scrutiny	Information provided to the O&S Board on 20 Oct 2020. See Note 4 below.
	Letters to be sent to National Supermarket Chains to consider Oldham as a location of a reverse vending machine	Chief Executive	Letters sent 16 September 2020

	<p>Take Up of the DEFRA Voluntary Code amongst fast food businesses</p> <p>Response from Tesco dated 24 Sep 20 received 28 Sep 20</p> <p>Response from Aldi dated and received 29 Sep 20</p>	<p>Information sent to relevant officers</p>	<p>14 September 2020</p>
<p>Opposition Motion 3: Roads Policing 'Not Optional'</p>	<p>Letters to be sent to the Home Secretary and Secretary of State for Transport</p> <p>Letters to be sent to Greater Manchester Police and Crime Commissioner, Police and Crime Panel and three Local MPs</p> <p>Police and Crime Panel Representative to request the Panel revisit the Local Policing Plan</p> <p>Submission to be made to the Roads Policing Review</p>	<p>Chief Executive</p> <p>Chief Executive</p> <p>Chief Executive</p> <p>Chief Executive in conjunction with relevant officers and Cabinet Member</p>	<p>16 September 2020</p> <p>16 September 2020</p> <p>16 September 2020</p> <p>Oldham highway/Unity have provided their support on a technical level to TfGM's Safer Roads Group intended combined response. TfGM Safer Roads Group are now collecting this support from the 10 Districts along with that from other (Police and Goods operators etc.). TfGM will be finalising the submission shortly and submitting to Government.</p>

	<p>Response from Secretary of State for Transport dated 29 Sep 20 received 30 Sep 20</p> <p>Response from D. Abrahams MP dated and received 12 Oct 20</p>		
Oldham's Covid-19 Response	<p><b>RESOLVED that:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Oldham's Partnership Response to the COVID-19 pandemic be noted.</li> <li>2. The questions and responses provided be noted.</li> </ol>	Council	Council noted the report on 9 <sup>th</sup> September 2020
Update on the Actions from Council	<p><b>RESOLVED</b> that the actions taken regarding motions and actions from previous Council meetings be agreed and correspondence and updates received be noted.</p>	Council	Council approved the report on 9 <sup>th</sup> September 2020.
<p>Opposition Motion 1: Making a Commitment to the UN Sustainable Development Goals (10 July 2019) Amendment submitted (9 September 2020)</p>	<p><b>RESOLVED that:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The report commended to Council by the Overview and Scrutiny Board and the Health Scrutiny Committee on the work by Oldham which contributed to the ambitions of the UN's Sustainable Development Goals be approved.</li> <li>2. The amendment as submitted related to 'Pledge to Peace' be referred to Overview and Scrutiny.</li> </ol>	O&S Board and Health Scrutiny	<p>Report commended to Council by O&amp;S Board and Health Scrutiny which was agreed on 9 September 2020. Amendment which was submitted to be considered by O&amp;S Board and Health Scrutiny.</p>

Statement of Community Involvement	<b>RESOLVED</b> that the Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) be adopted and made available to view alongside the Equality Impact Assessment (EIA).	Council	Council approved the report on 9 <sup>th</sup> September 2020.
Treasury Management Review 2019/20	<b>RESOLVED that:</b> 1. The actual 2019/20 Prudential and Treasury Indicators presented in the report be approved. 2. The Annual Treasury Management Report for 2019/20 be approved.	Council	Council approved the report on 9 <sup>th</sup> September 2020.
Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2019/20	<b>RESOLVED</b> that the Overview and Scrutiny Annual report for 2019/20 be approved.	Council	Council approved the report on 9 <sup>th</sup> September 2020.

Note 1: Cabinet minute question related to Clean Air Update – response: In terms of vehicles licensed we have 1060 private hire and 85 hackneys. At the present time testers are performing a visual test on exhausts and if there is smoke, they then perform a full test on emissions. With the clean air proposals going out to the consultation the licensing manager feels we should have a more stringent test so has asked that full emissions tests commence on all vehicles.

Note 2: Peak Park District Minute question related to Birds of Prey – response:

“The issue of Bird of Prey persecution is a long-standing problem in the Peak District, as it is throughout the country (see <https://www.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/0f04dd3b78e544d9a6175b7435ba0f8c> - the “heat map” (map 2) shows the number of incidents). In 2011, following several years of surveillance initiatives, which failed to significantly address the issue, the Peak District National Park Authority established the Peak District Bird of Prey initiative. This is a joint initiative with local raptor groups, the Moorland Association, National Gamekeepers’ Organisation, Natural England, the National Trust and the police. The Initiative identified target populations for key species, based on past numbers, and has focused particularly on encouraging collaboration between local gamekeepers and raptor workers to monitor birds of prey and tackle persecution. These targets have been adopted within the National Park Management Plan, and progress is reported to members on a quarterly basis to Authority meetings. Our Chief Executive has also provided a recent up-date in her CEO report to the Authority meeting on 2 October.

Although previous years have seen increased and welcome collaboration between gamekeepers and raptor workers, this has shown limited signs of increasing bird of prey populations until recently. However a pair of Hen Harriers bred in the Peak District in 2018 and 2019- the first

time they have bred in two successive years for over a century; the last two years have seen a welcome increase in Goshawk breeding success; and this year saw a significant increase in peregrine breeding success, with all 6 nests successful- double the number in any of the last 10 years. Whilst these are encouraging results, we recognise these still fall short of the target populations which we believe should be present, and incidents of known or suspected persecution still occur. It remains to be seen whether these improvements are short-term or whether, as we hope, they will be part of a longer-term upturn in the fortunes of these birds.

Copies of the Initiative’s annual reports can be found at <https://www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/looking-after/biodiversity/news>. The 2020 interim report gives a brief update on the current season, and the 2019 report provides more information about the targets and trends, and an appendix with more background about the Initiative.

Proving that a wildlife crime has been committed, let alone apprehending the perpetrator, is extremely difficult in these remote locations. We believe that this collaborative approach offers the best opportunity for tackling the issue. We are also in discussion with the RSPB about other possible measures to help birds of prey such as public awareness-raising and satellite tagging.

Police involvement in the Initiative to date has largely been with Derbyshire (and to some extent South Yorkshire) Constabulary. We are currently in discussion with Derbyshire Police about drawing up a statement of intent for working together to tackle rural and wildlife crime, which could potentially be rolled out to other police forces. Our contact with Greater Manchester Police to date has largely been in response to particular incidents.”

Note 3: GM Waste and Recycling Minute question related to impact of Covid – response: *Question :At the start of 2020, vehicle number plate recognition and restrictions on the number of visits to municipal tips were introduced in this borough. Can the Cabinet Member tell me if this has had an adverse impact on fly-tipping incidents? How many reports of fly tipping have there been in the current year compared to the comparable period last year? And how much are we currently spending per annum cleaning up after fly-tippers?*

- Vehicle number plate recognition and restrictions on number of visits were introduced to tackle traders illegally using the municipal tips to dispose of trade waste
- The table below shows the amount of tonnages collected from fly-tipping activity in Oldham
- Flytipping figures for the period Jan/Feb/March when the new trade waste restrictions were introduced are actually down on the previous year
- Cost per tonne is £300 for fly-tipping waste and the tonnages for this last year and the previous year are given below.

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
2019	153.5	124.06	133.12	89.74	86.92	73.38
2020	94.98	63.5	109.1	144.74	108.22	146.22

*And can the Cabinet Member tell me if there is any clear indication of a change in behaviour on fly-tipping due to the closure of recycling centres under coronavirus, and can the Council provide an estimated breakdown of what proportion of any increases are related to that, rather than to the change in restrictions on visits, by comparing the data pre-lockdown, under lockdown and post-lockdown?"*

- The difficulty we have is factoring in the impact of CV19. From the middle of March we have had a period when the tips were actually closed and then re-opened up with limited access for certain materials. Over this period the Council's Bulky collection service was suspended and there were significant changes to domestic waste collections. The systems we have in place for monitoring fly tipping do not allow for the increases seen in April/May/June to differentiate between changes at the municipal waste collection site and the impact of CV19.

Note 4: Let's All Do Our Bit to Tackle Litter – information provided to O&S Board on 20 October:

The Board noted that the local authority was already a member of the network and received information related to a variety of campaigns and initiatives from Keep Britain Tidy. The campaigns and initiatives were assessed individually to see if they were relevant to the Borough. There were some campaigns such as those related to keep beaches clean which were not applicable to Oldham. Where the campaigns were seen as being relevant, they were supported and publicized such as the Love Parks Campaign which was featured during Love Parks Week from July 12<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> 2020. The Great British September Clean was also supported all while social distancing. The Great British Spring Clean had to be postponed due to Coronavirus. Consideration to the Charity Bins proposal was given but at this stage it is unable to adopt. Further consideration will be given as part of a future replacement bin programme.

Previous to 9 September 2020 Council:			
<b>ACTION</b>	<b>RESPONSE</b>	<b>WHO RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DATE COMPLETED</b>
Opposition Motion 1: Tackling Dog Fouling and Nuisance (20 March 2019)	Consultation be undertaken on application of maximum on the spot penalty and O&S Board asked to examine current examples of best practice and confer with the Dog Trust	People & Place / O&S Board	The motion was taken to the O&S Board at the meeting held on 18 June 2019. It was reported to Council on 17 July 2020 that work on progressing the motion via the Overview and Scrutiny Board had been delayed. A councillor had been nominated from the Board to work with officers to progress the points raised and this work would now be prioritised.
Opposition Motion 3: Ban on Fast Food and Energy Drinks Advertising (11 Sep 2019)	Referred to O&S Board	O&S Board	See Note 1 below.
Youth Council Motion: Make Your Mark (8 Jan 2020)	Task and Finish Group with Relevant Cabinet Members	Cabinet Members / Youth Council	In progress. Report in process of being prepared.
Opposition Motion 1: Tax Relief for Public Transport (17 Jun 2020)	Motion referred to the Overview and Scrutiny Board	Overview and Scrutiny Board	The motion was discussed at O&S Board on 8 September 2020. The Board has commended the motion back to Council to agree the resolutions as set out in the original motion. (Report attached)

<p>Opposition Motion 2: Accessible Shopping Districts (17 Jun 2020)</p>	<p>Ensure investment took account of good practice in improving access; members be encouraged to consider bids to the Local Improvement Fund and continue to promote and support the work of the Oldham Dementia Partnership, Oldham Dementia Alliance and Oldham Dementia Friends Network</p>	<p>People and Place</p>	<p>In progress – information sent to relevant officers</p>
<p>Opposition Motion 3: Chatty Checkouts and Cafés (17 Jun 2020)</p>	<p>Ask the Health Scrutiny Board to examine issue</p>	<p>Health Scrutiny</p>	<p>See Note 2 below.</p>
<p>Youth Council Motion (15 July 2020)</p>	<p>Quality job opportunities and apprenticeships for young people</p>	<p>Overview and Scrutiny Board</p>	<p>O&amp;S Board agreed a workshop to be organised with the Youth Council and relevant officers.  In progress.</p>

Note 1: Ban on Fast Food and Energy Drinks Advertising – Health Scrutiny at its meeting held on 1 September resolved that the motion be referred to Cabinet with a recommendation that the issues raised within the motion related to a ban on fast food and energy drink advertising be progress on a Greater Manchester wide basis, that the matter be raised with the Leaders of the other Greater Manchester authorities and that the Mayor of Greater Manchester be requested to run a campaign on these issues in conjunction with the Greater Manchester local authorities.

Note 2: Chatty Checkouts and Cafes – The motion was discussed at Health Scrutiny on 1 September. The action had been, in the first instance, referred to the Thriving Communities Programme Manager for initial consideration, it being noted that social prescribing was to be considered alongside other activities and priorities which Covid-19 presented. It was proposed that a report to a future meeting be programmed into the Health Scrutiny Work Programme.