

Hednesford Community Forum

Time and Date

Tuesday 2 December, 2014, 7:00pm

Venue

Pisces Suite, The Aquarius, Victoria Shopping Park, Hednesford

You are invited to attend this meeting to consider the matters listed below.



S.G. Brown
Chief Executive

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for Absence**
- 2. Declarations of Interests of Members in Contracts and Other Matters and Restriction on Voting by Members**

To declare any personal, pecuniary or disclosable pecuniary interests in accordance with the Code of Conduct and any possible contraventions under Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.

- 3. Notes of Previous Meeting**

To receive the Notes of the meeting held on 17 September, 2014 (enclosed).

4. Questions for Staffordshire Police

No questions have been submitted.

5. Questions for Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Services

No questions have been submitted.

6. Questions for Staffordshire County Council Highways Department

6a. Mrs C. Ballett – Local Resident

“How come the council can find money to put red tarmac on a road surface that already has white lines on it, a surface that traffic is not allowed to venture on to. Why do this when you cannot find the money to mend holes in the roads. There is one on the other side of the traffic lights as you turn left out of Rawnsley Road. The tarmac around the drain has all broken out. Lots of drains are so low into the road they are as deep as potholes. You can see cars waving over the road to try and avoid them.”

Mark Keeling, Community Infrastructure Liaison Manager, Staffordshire County Council, has provided the following response:

“Staffordshire County Council no longer provides coloured surfacing within hatching, bus stops etc however I understand the works undertaken recently may have been part of a section 106 agreement following the Tesco development. I understand some works have been undertaken in this area recently however at no cost to the Authority.

We are aware of the gully on the corner of Rawnsley Road however if there are further issues these can be reported directly to the contact centre on 0300 111 8000 or highways@staffordshire.gov.uk.”

6b. Mrs C. Ballett – Local Resident

Three months ago or thereabouts the council tarred and stoned Rawnsley Road. The road has been swept many times but the sweeper manages to scatter the stones onto footpaths and drives which are never swept. My drive slopes down from the road so any stones just keep rolling down and it is very difficult to sweep the stones uphill. I am still having trouble with them on my drive, in my garage, under the garage hall and in my hall.”

Mark Keeling, Community Infrastructure Liaison Manager, Staffordshire County Council, has provided the following response:

“Staffordshire County Council did undertake surface dressing treatment on Rawnsley Road earlier this year. The Surface Dressing programme is a preventative maintenance treatment used to prolong the serviceable life of significant lengths of carriageway across the county. The process of applying a bituminous binder topped with aggregate chippings, effectively seals the road from the ingress of water and restores the necessary skid resistance to

the surface course. Inevitably, despite concerted sweeping operations, the process may lead to loose chippings immediately after the application which may affect some footways and driveways. I apologise if there have been excessive chippings in this case.”

7. Questions for Cannock Chase Council

7a. Update on Hednesford Town Centre – Item requested by Councillor G. Ball

Tony McGovern, Corporate Director, Cannock Chase Council, will provide an update at the meeting.

7b. Update on Hednesford Park – Item requested by Councillor G. Ball

Tony McGovern, Corporate Director, Cannock Chase Council, will provide an update at the meeting.

8. Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust - Update

No update has yet been provided by the Trust. If an update is received in time for the meeting then it will be read out by the Chairman.

9. Agenda Items for Next Meeting

Questions are invited from members of the public for inclusion on the Agenda of the next Forum which is scheduled as follows:

- Monday 16 March, 2015, 7pm, Pye Green Community Centre, Bradbury Lane, Hednesford, WS12 4EP.

Any questions should be submitted on the form supplied with this Agenda or emailed to membersservices@cannockchasedc.gov.uk.

To: Councillors

Adamson, G. (Chairman)
Pearson, A. (Vice-Chairman)

Ball, G.D. Grice, Mrs. D.
Cartwright, Mrs. S.M. Todd, R.
Gamble, B.

Other Invitees/Representatives:

- County Councillor Mrs C. Mitchell (Hednesford Division).
- Mr A. Burley, Member of Parliament (Cannock Chase Constituency)

- Brindley Heath Parish Council
- Cannock Wood Parish Council
- Hednesford Town Council
- Staffordshire County Council

- Staffordshire Police
- Staffordshire Fire & Rescue Service
- Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust

- Support Staffordshire – Cannock Chase
- Friends of Hednesford Park
- Hednesford Traders' Association

- Cornish Houses Residents' Association
- Circle of Residents Association
- Pine View Residents Association

NB: The person to contact regarding the agenda and documents for this meeting is Matt Berry, Senior Committee Officer:

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Date of despatch: Monday 24 November, 2014.