

Cannock Community Forum

Time and Date

7.00pm on Tuesday 16 September, 2014

Venue

Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Cannock

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



S.G. Brown
Chief Executive

AGENDA

1. **Apologies**
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**

To receive the Notes of the meeting held on 25 June, 2014 (Enclosed).

4. Questions for Staffordshire Police

No questions have been submitted in advance of the meeting.

5. Questions for Cannock Chase District Council

Security of Cannock Park/Golf Course:

Two questions have been received from local residents concerning the security of Cannock Park/Golf Course, these are outlined below:

Question 1 submitted by Mrs. C. Salmon:-

*“Will an officer please attend the Forum with a plan (or map) to clarify who is responsible for the management, maintenance and security of **all areas** of Cannock Park (including the area in which the park's golf course is located)”*

Question 2 submitted by Mr. G. Taylor:-

“Security of Golf Course and Ancient Wood by Green Keepers Compound – is this the responsibility of Wigan Trust or Cannock Chase Council?”

- Persons are sleeping rough on the Golf Course*
- There is a litter problem on the Golf Course and Ancient Wood*
- Persons drinking, drug taking and cannabis smoking causing large amounts of litter in the area.*

Unfortunately Mike Edmonds, Head of Commissioning is on leave week commencing 15 September and therefore unable to attend the Forum. He has however provided a written response to the questions and this is outlined below:-

Response to Question 1:

“Cannock Chase Council has overall responsibility for the management, maintenance and security of all areas of Cannock Park, including the golf course.

(i) It discharges its responsibility for the golf course via a contract with Wigan Leisure Culture Trust (WLCT)

(ii) It discharges its responsibility for maintenance of Cannock Park (excluding the golf course which is maintained by the Council's in-house team) via a contract with The Landscape Group (TLG).

(iii) There are no formal security personnel employed or funded by Cannock Chase Council, WLCT or TLG in Cannock Park/golf course and any criminal activity should be reported to the Police as a matter of course.

(iv) Council Officers and the Cabinet Member for Culture and Sport, Chair of Culture and Sport Policy Development Committee and local ward Member

(Councillor Sutton) meet representatives of Friends of Cannock Park (FOCP) on a quarterly basis to discuss in detail issues pertaining to the management, maintenance and security of Cannock Park”.

Response to Question 2:

“Please see the response above in respect of the security of the golf course and all areas of Cannock Park.

The incident of persons sleeping rough on the golf course has been reported to the Council’s Homelessness Team who are investigating this matter.

In response to the specific examples referred to, any incidents of criminal or anti-social behaviour should be reported to the Police and any litter problems should be referred to the Council”.

Staffordshire Police have been invited to attend the Forum to respond to the issues raised which fall under their responsibility.

6. Questions for Staffordshire County Council Highways – submitted in advance

No questions have been submitted in advance of the meeting.

7. Questions for Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Services

No questions have been submitted in advance of the meeting.

8. Mid Staffs NHS Foundation Trust - update

Deborah Neal from Mid Staffordshire NHS Foundation Trust has advised that the Directors have concluded that as the Trust continues to be going through the Trust Special Administration (TSA) process, it would not be appropriate for them to attend the Community Forums. The Directors would like to assure local people that services at both Cannock Chase and Stafford Hospitals continue as usual and would encourage people to continue to use them as appropriate. If there are any questions on the day-to-day business of the hospitals, we would be very pleased to email you answers from the Directors.

The following is a statement from the Trust Special Administrators:

“The transition and integration planning phase of the TSA process has commenced, and will result in Mid Staffordshire NHS Foundation Trust (MSFT) services being managed by University Hospitals North Staffordshire NHS Foundation Trust (“UHNS”) and The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Foundation Trust (“RWT”). Please note that post dissolution both Stafford Hospital and Cannock Chase Hospital will remain open and operational but with the services being managed by UHNS and RWT.

“The transfer of services as above will take place at the start of November

2014.

“All MSFT staff will transfer with their current pay and associated conditions to either the University Hospital of North Staffordshire NHS Trust or The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust under plans agreed between the Trusts to transfer the management of services, and staff have been informed of this.

“The majority of staff will remain in the same or comparable roles. Some staff will be asked to take on new roles to support RWT and UHNS in the delivery of the TSA model for clinical services at Stafford and Cannock hospitals.

“Please note that the hospitals will remain open as a result of the management of Stafford Hospital transferring to UHNS and the management of Cannock Chase Hospital transferring to RWT. Patients should continue to attend the hospitals as normal.”

The TSA can be contacted at: www.tsa-msft.org.uk/contact-us or for confidential matters by e-mail at: TSApublic@MidStaffs.nhs.uk”

9. Forward Agenda for Future Meetings.

Questions are invited from members of the public and will be included on the Agenda for the next meeting. Any questions from members of the public should be submitted on the form available at the meeting. Submission of written questions in advance will ensure that appropriate representatives can be invited to attend meetings to debate the issues and answer any questions.

10. Date of Next Forum Meetings

Meetings are scheduled for 9 December, 2014 and 3 March, 2015 at 7.00pm.

To Councillors:-

Kraujalis, J.T. (Chairman)
Alcott, G. (Vice-Chairman)

Allen, F.W.C.	Mitchell, Mrs. C.
Anslow, C.	Snape, P.A.
Davis, Mrs. M.A.	Sutton, Mrs. H.M.
Dixon, D.I.	Toth, J.
Freeman, Miss M.	Witton, P.

Other Invitees:

Mrs. J. Arm	Clerk to Bridgtown Parish Council
County Councillor Mrs. D. Todd	SCC - Cannock Villages Division
County Councillor Mrs. A. Spicer	SCC - Cannock Town Centre Division

County Councillor D. Davis
Mr. K. Parsons
Chief Inspector Stephen Morrey
Inspector Paul Cooke
Michelle Lucas

Mark Keeling
Mr. A. Burley

Angela Schulp

Jonathan Bletcher
Neil Pedersen
Victoria Singleton
Miss T. Gould
Mandi Dunbar/Deborah Neal

SCC - Chadsmoor Division
Chase Council for Voluntary Services
Staffordshire Police
Staffordshire Police
Cannock Chase Chamber of Commerce
and Industry
Staffordshire County Council Highways
Member of Parliament (Cannock Chase
Constituency)
District Lead Commissioner, Staffordshire
County Council
South Staffs PCT
Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Service
Neighbourhood Watch, Staffordshire Police
Residents Champions, Chase CVS
Mid Staffordshire NHS Foundation Trust

Note: The person to contact about the agenda and documents for this meeting is Wendy Rowe, Senior Committee Officer:

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