

Agenda

Cannock Community Forum

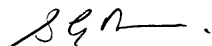
Time and Date

7.00pm on Tuesday 11 June, 2013

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. Appointment of Chairman and Vice-Chairman

To appoint Ward Members as Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Community Forum for the forthcoming Municipal Year.

2. Apologies

3. Declarations of Interests of Members in Contracts and Other Matters and Restriction on Voting by Members

To declare any personal or 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.

4. Notes

To receive the Notes of the meeting held on 19 March, 2013 (Enclosed).

5. Questions for Staffordshire Police – submitted in advance

Chief Inspector Carl Ratcliffe will be in attendance to answer questions in relation to local policing matters that have been submitted in advance.

No questions have been received.

6. Questions for Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Services

No questions have been received.

7. LINK (Local Involvement Network)

Hester Parsons will be in attendance to introduce LINK and answer any questions.

8. Questions from Mr. Gordon Taylor

- i) *'Traffic island at the bottom of Cardinal Griffin Way is used for parking of vehicles and is being damaged. When the facility was applied for at the rear of the school, the plans stated this would include the re-construction of the island and continuation of footpaths up to the new roadway. At the present time it is dangerous when attempting to cross this road into the "ancient wood". The signage when leaving the facility is non-existent, as the present signs are all facing in the opposite direction.'*

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

'We are aware of the issues on Cardinal way however I have checked the various planning documents and have no reference to "reconstruction of the island and continuation of footpath to new roadway". There were various site constraints on and off the highway, one of the issues we actioned was the Traffic Regulation Order / double yellow as per below:

28. *The development hereby permitted shall not be commenced until an off-site traffic management scheme comprising of double yellow lines protecting the Stafford Road (A34)/Cardinal Way (U5055) junction has been submitted and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The approved traffic management scheme shall thereafter be implemented prior to first use of the proposed development. – **Planning Ref No 28***

I understand there are issues with parking during the day outside the school which obviously increases during drop off and pick up times. I also understand there are occasional parking issues during events outside of school hours.

This is difficult to prevent and it could be considered to introduce a total ban on parking with a new traffic order, however this would only lead to cars being pushed into other adjacent residential areas thus not solving the issue just moving it.

In terms of the signage I have little information but presume this is within the school boundary.'

- ii) *'Cannock Leisure Centre – Car park floodlights are being left on during the hours of darkness.'*

Mike Edmonds, Head of Commissioning, has provided the following response:

'The lighting in respect of the car park at Chase Leisure Centre is currently controlled by the same operational arrangement as other Council public car parks. For security and safety reasons all lights are operated and controlled by sensors that activate them between "dusk until dawn".'

9. Questions from Mr. A. Haywood, local resident:-

- (i) *'A professional builder recently developed a site near the town centre. On the site there were a number of trees to which a T.P.O was attached. During the building one of the trees was removed and another was cut back without permission. A further number of trees in the street were also given protection during the build and one of these was subjected to a "kango" type ground breaker which was being used against the side of the tree to enable a fence post to be inserted into the ground through the root system.'*

I understand there is not to be any action taken against the builder for failing to respect the relative orders. If this is the case can home owners now follow the builder's example and expect to be treated in the same way or do we have a dual system of justice.'

An officer will be in attendance at the Forum to present the response to this question.

- (ii) *'What is the date by which the Astro Turf Project (ATP) at Cardinal Griffin School has to be completed and when will the accounts for the project be available to the public for inspection.'*

Mike Edmonds, Head of Commissioning, has provided the following response:

'The 12 month defect period in respect of the ATP at Cardinal Griffin formally ended on 31st May 2013. (Practical Completion 1st June 2012). After a final inspection of the facilities, which is currently being arranged and satisfactory sign off by the School and the Council any outstanding funding will be drawn down and the final retention fee payable to the Contractor released.'

It is only after all financial matters are concluded, likely to be later in this financial year that the accounts will be closed and available for inspection as part of the Council's annual account process.'

10. Mid Staffs NHS Foundation Trust – update

The Trust has indicated that they will provide an update which will be read out at the meeting.

11. Update on the position of the negotiations in respect of the Asda s.106 monies for the Artificial Turf Pitch

The Lead Officer will provide an update.

12. 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.

13. Date of Future Meetings

Forum meetings have been scheduled for the following dates:-

Tuesday 17 September, 2013

Tuesday 10 December, 2013

Tuesday 4 March, 2014

To: Councillors

Alcott, G.	Kraujalis, J.T.
Allen, F.W.C.	Mitchell, C.
Anslow, C.	Morgan, C.W.J.
Davis, Mrs. M.A.	Snape, P.A.
Dixon, D.I.	Sutton, Mrs. H.M.
Freeman, Miss M.	Toth, J.

Other Invitees:

Mrs. J. Arm	Clerk to Bridgtown Parish Council
County Councillor Mrs. D. Todd	Cannock Villages Division
County Councillor Mrs. A. Spicer	Cannock Town Centre Division
County Councillor D. Davis	Chadsmoor Division
Chief Executive	Chase Council for Voluntary Services
Chief Insp. Carl Ratcliffe	Staffordshire Police
Michelle Lucas	Cannock Chase Chamber of Commerce and Industry
Mark Keeling	Staffordshire County Council Highways
Mr. M. Walters	Vice Chairman, Moss Road Residents Action Group
Mr. A. Derry	Area Tenants and Residents Collective
Ms. A. Ames	Chair of Rumer Hill Residents Association & Secretary of CTRF
Theresa Atherton	Secretary of Rumer Hill Residents Association
Mr. A. Burley	Member of Parliament (Cannock Chase Constituency)
Angela Schulp	District Lead Commissioner, Staffordshire County Council
Neil Pedersen/K. Staples	Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Service
Victoria Singleton	Neighbourhood Watch, Staffordshire Police
Miss T. Gould	Residents Champions, Chase CVS
Deborah Neal	Mid Staffordshire NHS Foundation Trust

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