

**PRESTWICH TOWNSHIP FORUM
ITEMS RAISED IN OPEN FORUM: 12th SEPTEMBER 2013**

	Raised by	ITEM RAISED AT OPEN FORUM	Action by	Action
1	Jay Lieberman	Fencing around St Mary's Park. Full of banners, out of date information and some fly posters	Parks/ Recreational services	<p>Details and photograph sent to Mike Bent, Parks manager:</p> <p>We are looking at how we can regulate this & bring in some income at the same time, some are part of the councils civic buildings adverts for use of the civic buildings & we actively promote them as do we promote stuff happening in parks.</p> <p>I will have a look & remove the ones that need to be removed, including the Festwich banner</p> <p>Update 18th October: Just an update on banners</p> <p>I have been working on this one for sometime now & have recently been informed that Planning will not support a planning application for commercial advertising due to some outstanding prosecutions for illegal banners.</p> <p>So in light of this, I have asked Civics to rationalise their banners on our railings, they will also try & affect Longfield Live adverts, I will need to review the long term issues of banners in terms of numbers & sizes as they are getting out of hand, this will happen over winter so we have a policy on how to deal with it</p> <p>Regards Mike Bent Parks & Countryside Manager</p>

2	Prestwich resident	Traffic on Bury New Road- increasingly difficult to get along road from 3pm Can parking restrictions be lifted at certain times	Dealt with in open Forum-referred to highways for information	Regeneration group will be looking at this with a view to long term solution to suit everyone. This is a long standing issue that will need a lot of thought and planning
3	Jack Barratt	No yellow lines between Butterstile Lane and End of shops. (on Bury New Road) Cars park all around the bus lanes causing mayhem	AS ABOVE	AS ABOVE
4	Prestwich resident	Metrolink have stated that Victoria Station will be closed to trams coming from Bury from next year.	Cllr Bayley	Cllr Bayley will seek clarification and feed back to next township forum meeting
5	Ashfaq Husain	St Margaret's Road- recently undergone repairs. Now sign up with 10mph speed limit, due to skid risk. But there is no risk and speed limit way too slow	Highways	Can highways please check why the speed limit is at 10mph in this area? Message received 8 th October This is a temporary sign erected following spray injection patching works. I have ask the are Highway Inspector to remove it as soon as possible. Many Thanks Regards P.Stokes Principal Engineer Network Maintenance
6	Prestwich resident	Will there be any seasonal decorations/ lights in Prestwich centre this year	Dealt with in open forum	Council can no longer fund lights in any part of the Borough, except trees. Lights that are up are funded by local businesses (eg Bury, Tottington and Ramsbottom centres)

		<p>Matter Raised outside open forum (as a matter arising)</p> <p>With regard to the issue of weeds on the streets, Councillor Black explained the spraying schedule that is employed by a sub contractor. Kim Griffiths, Township Co-ordinator , undertook to enquire about the quality assurance measures in place to monitor the contract.</p>		<p>Hi Kim</p> <p>We don't have any formal QA measures for monitoring the weed spraying contractor. However, we receive daily reports from the contractor which state the areas complete to date and the area currently being sprayed. Our Highway Inspectors are made aware of the presence of the contractor and carry out informal random checks that the weed spraying is being carried out.</p> <p>Many Thanks</p> <p>Regards</p> <p>P.Stokes Principal Engineer Network Maintenance Engineering Design & Construction Group</p>
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Kim Griffiths – Sept/ October 2013