

PRESTWICH TOWNSHIP FORUM
ITEMS RAISED IN OPEN FORUM: 6th March 2012

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| 1 | Mr Slater Simister lane | Fractured sewer- recently fixed by united utilities but raw sewerage is still there. United Utilities fixed this but who is responsible for clean up- no one seems to be concerned or accepting responsibility but this is an environmental concern for residents | Environmental health | Response from Environmental health;- We already knew it was a problem on the Wetlands because Mike Bent had been in touch with me yesterday lunchtime just after I sent my response to you. He is trying to deal with it because of the location and has been in touch with United Utilities himself. However, he has been told by United Utilities that they are unable to clean up the area because they cannot get their vehicles onto the site. It is a marshy area and they would need to use machinery a bit like the big road sweepers. Apparently the ground will not support them in the area close to the contamination. Mike was asking if we had any further suggestions but unfortunately we don't other than to approach UU to see if they can carry out any deodorising - though they will have to consider pollution of the wetlands. Another suggestion was that UU should arrange for the contamination to be dug out by hand rather than machinery, but Mike indicated that this was not a possibility because of the amount of water in the area. I have advised Mike that this appears to be a problem we are not going to be able to resolve and we may just have to let nature take its course. As indicated in the UU guidance, the sewage will break down and the smell will disappear naturally over a period of time. |

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| 2 | Mr Slater Simister lane | <p>Arrow Oils-Simister. Have grown in size and huge vehicles coming in from Europe and the continent. There was a chip fat spillage recently a few weeks ago which was cleared up but raises concerns.</p> <p>The size and number of vehicles on the road along Heywood Road to Simister Lane is very concerning. Houses are shaking and fear that cracks will start to appear</p> <p>This has been reported to Highways/ traffic and was told by an officer there to bring matter to the township forum</p> | Highways/ traffic | <p>Can this matter please be looked into and reported back to the township Forum and to the complainant.</p> <p>Response: There is a business operating at Brook Farm – web site http://www.arrowoils.co.uk this shows it to be part of “Arrow Associated Reclaimers & Recyclers of Oil Waste Arrow oils manages your cooking oil collection need from start to finish. We are a nationwide company with 15 UK oil collection depots, making us the largest vegetable oil management business in the country.” I talked to the manager who told me they rent the site and he said they get about 2 lorries a day going to their site but he did say that they have grown since they came to the site. They have PP for this granted 9 Jan 1998 under 33453 but the only condition was that it had to begin within 5 years.</p> <p>21/5/12 There is no planning breach in connection with Oil Waste Arrow Oils who rent some property at Brook Farm. 21/5/12- response from Traffic control: Just to clarify the highways issues, since we now know that the vehicles concerned are going to and from Brook Farm, this is not something which can be controlled, as they are exercising a legitimate right of access. The only restraint is the peak time prohibition of driving on Simister Lane at the east end of the village which affects all vehicles.</p> |
| 3 | Alf Wentworth Sedgley park | <p>What is Township Forum doing to help the young unemployed people of Prestwich Longfield Suite could be made use of for training and activities for young people</p> | Dealt with in open forum | <p>Response from Cllr Ann Garner- courses are being run at the library including full use of IT to prepare application forms and CV writing. Township co-ordinator- Area Plan supports submission of Portas Bid which will include some provision for young people. Business Group want to support businesses in taking on Prestwich apprentices and work experience locally</p> |

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| | | | | Bury council taking on apprentices from all over the Borough and backing young Bury is another avenue for local businesses to be involved. |
| 4 | Ann Hutchinson | Old Cussons Site at Rainsough. Is an eyesore and has security issues. Is there any news or update on the development of the site Can relevant planning officer be invited to the next township Forum to update? | Planning | Can relevant planning officer please provide update to next township Forum meeting, on 7 th June 2012? Response:- The site is vacant and has been cleared of demolition debris. It is not an eyesore, simply a vacant site. In terms of development, there are no formal applications with us at the moment but I do understand that the owners are looking at options to bring development forward soon. Should an application be submitted, we will be carrying out notifications in the usual way i.e. letters, press notice and site notice. I don't feel that there is anything else that I can add to this. Regards, Dave Marno Development Manager |
| 5 | Prestwich resident | Core strategy document identifies Prestwich as needing another supermarket. Should be more support for independent retailers, not big supermarkets | Dealt with in open forum | Cllr O'Hanlon said that he had seen the draft document and sent comments which should have been amended in the final document. |
| 6 | Peter Thompson PADOS | Can more posters go up and better coverage in newspapers to advertise Township forums | Dealt with in open forum | Posters will be displayed advertising the next round of meetings in new Municipal year. Will go in key places and if anyone can suggest venues please let Township co-ordinator know |

Kim Griffiths – 7th March 2012