

AGENDA FOR

PRESTWICH TOWNSHIP FORUM

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To: All Members of Prestwich Township Forum

Councillors : N Bayley, J Black (Chair), M D'Albert,
M James, E O'Brien, T Pickstone, A Quinn, D Silbiger and
S Wright

Dear Member/Colleague

Prestwich Township Forum

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Prestwich Township Forum which will be held as follows:-

Date:	Thursday, 30 June 2016
Place:	Longfield Suite, Prestwich
Time:	6.30 pm
Briefing Facilities:	If Opposition Members and Co-opted Members require briefing on any particular item on the Agenda, the appropriate Director/Senior Officer originating the related report should be contacted.
Notes:	

AGENDA

1 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND DEPUTY CHAIR

2 APOLOGIES

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members of Prestwich Township Forum are asked to consider if they have an interest in any matters on the agenda and, if so, to formally declare that interest.

4 ADVISORY GROUP MEMBERSHIP

5 MINUTES (*Pages 1 - 8*)

Minutes of the last meeting, held on 10 March 2016 are attached. A copy of the Action Checklist from the meeting is also attached.

6 POLICE UPDATE

7 ROUND TABLE DISCUSSIONS (SHAPING THE NEW PLAN)

8 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

A period of up to 30 minutes has been set aside for members of the public to ask questions or raise issues of concern relating to the provision of local services.

9 FUNDING REPORT (FOR INFORMATION) (*Pages 9 - 18*)

10 URGENT BUSINESS

Any other business which by reason of special circumstances the Chair agrees may be considered as a matter of urgency.

Minutes of: PRESTWICH TOWNSHIP FORUM

Date of Meeting: 10 March 2016

Venue: Longfield Suite, Prestwich

Present:

Councillors: Councillors: N Bayley, J Black, P Heneghan, M James, E O'Brien, M D'Albert, T Pickstone, A Simpson, and A Quinn

Advisory Group

Representatives: Mr D Stanley - Prestwich Clough Centenary Group
Mr E Finch – Patients Cabinet

Public attendance: 31 members of the public were in attendance

Apologies for absence: Mr F Adam; Mr S Hughes and Mr P Gresty

PTF.805 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest

PTF.806 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

It was agreed:

That the Minutes of the last meeting, held on 25 January 2016, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

PTF.807 POLICE UPDATE

Sergeant Wightman-Love and Inspector Vicky Shaw provided an update in respect of crime figures in Prestwich. It was reported that following a reconfiguration of shift patterns a new geographical model had been developed. Sixteen Officers in the Prestwich area would be dedicated to neighbourhood response roles.

In response to a question from Jay Lieberman, Sergeant Wightman-Love undertook to look into the future reporting of hate crime statistics.

The Chair, Councillor Black, placed on record her appreciation to those staff leaving the area as part of the reconfiguration of local Police teams.

Prestwich Township Forum, 10 March 2016

PTF.808 TOWNSHIP UPDATES

Prestwich Parking Strategy

The Chair, Councillor Black, reported that work was ongoing to develop the Prestwich Parking Strategy with a view to being submitted to a future meeting of the Forum.

Mrs Stacey attended the meeting to request residents parking for Bury New Road, outside Heaton Park, as a result of an increase in events at the park and commuter parking.

During discussion of parking, members of the Forum and the public present raised the issue of inconsiderate parking on pavements. In response to a question concerning enforcement action, Councillor Heneghan explained that where there was no parking restriction it was a Police matter if an obstruction was caused.

Prestwich High Street Regeneration

The Chair, Councillor Black reported that the Cabinet had approved plans for Prestwich High Street which included the following key elements:

- wider pavements and the extension of pavements at key crossing points
- improved environment (such as street trees, lighting and paving)
- the provision of single lane running
- bus stop relocation and the provision of bus lay-bys
- provision of parking bays and dedicated cycle lanes

In response to concerns about the safety of proposed cycle lanes, the Chair reported that the Cabinet had agreed to look at issues raised by the cycling community although the scope of what could be done was dependant on cost implications.

It was agreed:

That the updates be noted.

PTF.809 PRESTWICH TOWNSHIP PLAN UPDATE

Ruth Shedwick, Township Co-ordinator, provided an update on the Prestwich Township Plan. It was reported that Village Greens were now included within the plan as it aims to be a community hub for health and wellbeing activities in the area and offer volunteering opportunities.

It was agreed:

That the update be noted.

PTF.810 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

The Chair invited questions, comments and representations from members of the public present at the meeting. Questions were asked and comments made on the issues detailed below. The Township Forum Co-ordinator undertook to obtain a reply to matters which could not be dealt with at the meeting.

- Autumn Depoe-Hughes enquired as to who was responsible for the clean up of Drinkwater Park. David Stanley explained that the Forestry Commission were responsible. Councillor O'Brien referred to the Local Access Forum and highlighted that the Council were responsible for ensuring public footpath access.
- Jay Lieberman raised concerns in respect of the Plough and former Cussons site with regard to damaged railings and general untidiness.
- Mr Stephen Fletcher requested an update on possible traffic calming measures on St Mary's Road. It was explained that the consultation on this issue was underway.

PTF.811 FUNDING UPDATE

The Council has allocated £8,000 to each Township Forum to be allocated through a sub group of the Township forum four times a year in June, September, November and March. A maximum of £250 individual grant is available for formally constituted organisations.

Additionally, a borough-wide allocation of £8,000 is available for "cross-ward" applications for activity that takes place across more than one ward. The "cross-ward" applications are determined by the Council's Small Grants Panel.

The Township Co-ordinator submitted a report setting out details of recent applications and referred to an additional application for Bailey Street Bowling Club

It was agreed:

1. That the report be noted.
2. That the application for Bailey Street Bowling Club as set out in the report be approved.

COUNCILLOR BLACK
Chair

(Note: The meeting started at 6.30 pm and ended at 8.15pm)

Prestwich Township Forum: Issues raised 10/03/16

	Raised by	Item Raised at Open Forum	Action by	Action
1	Residents	Cyclists using pavements in Prestwich which is very dangerous. It is not just children of all ages, but majority adults. With encroachment of businesses onto pavement, it is difficult to maneuver obstacles and avoid cyclists.	GM Police Anti-Social Behaviour Team	<p>If someone is repeatedly doing this and causing a nuisance / danger we (or the Police) could serve them with a Community Protection Notice – however we would need to know the identity of the perpetrators.</p> <p>Rachel Henry Anti-Social Behaviour Manager</p> <p>Cycling on the footway (pavement) is an offence under Section 72 of the Highways Act 1835 as amended by Section 85(1) of the Local Government Act 1888.</p> <p>The enforcement of cycling offences is an operational matter for local police forces. The police use Fixed Penalty Notice (FPN) of £30, which provides them with a direct means of dealing with most minor offences. The Road Traffic Act 1991 makes the two most serious cycling offences parallel to those of dangerous and careless driving. The maximum fines are currently £2,500 for dangerous cycling and £1,000 for careless cycling.</p> <p>As with other offending the Government encourages members of the public to give evidence of specific problems and of particularly dangerous behaviour to the police which will help ensure that the police target their resources effectively.</p> <p>The Government fully realizes that illegal cycling on footways causes much concern particularly to our most vulnerable road users, such as elderly, disabled and visually impaired people.</p> <p>Sources: www.legislation.gov.uk and</p>

				www.ctc.org.uk
2	Autumn De Poe Hughes	Who is in charge of the clean up at Drinkwater Park?		<p>The land belongs to the Forestry Commission and would be their responsibility.</p> <p>David Stanley</p> <p>There is approximately £125 million flood funding for the North of England which can be claimed by organizations.</p> <p>Cllr Quinn</p> <p>If the concern is public footpaths, then that is a Council responsibility. There is a local access forum which covers the whole Borough.</p> <p>Cllr O'Brien</p>
3	Jay Lieberman	<p>There are three buildings of concern:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The Plough 2) Cussions site 3) Railings on Rainsough Brow same side as The Plough – in poor condition on the highway 	Highways	<p>The Cussions site had planning permission for housing and has one week left before that lapses. We won't know what is happening unless work starts or another application is submitted.</p> <p>Cllr Black</p> <p>There are no further updates on The Plough. The Railings on Rainsough Brow have been reported to Highways.</p> <p>Ruth Shedwick Township Coordinator</p>
4	Ben Turner, Community Impact Manager Heaton Park	Parklife returns to Heaton Park on Saturday 11 and Sunday 12 June 2016. It will take place from 11am to 11pm both days with last ticket holders being at 5pm. There is no concert taking place on Friday 10 June.	Ben Turner Township Coordinator	<p>Information circulated to wider community database 17 March 2016.</p> <p>Ruth Shedwick Township Coordinator</p>
5	Steven Fletcher, St.	We have received a letter regarding traffic calming measures and have		The report has not as yet been received.

	Mary's Road resident	responded to the consultation. What is the current progress?		Cllr Black
6	Jay Lieberman	We have had a particularly mild winter so far. What happens to the money allocated for gritting if not used?		Any under spend will be used on other service pressures. Cllr Black
7	Brian Muir	<p>An increase in thoughtless, dangerous and illegal parking in and around Prestwich, as evidenced frequently on social networking sites.</p> <p>Whether this is confined to Prestwich I don't know, but I am sure much of the cause is down to the very slight chance of any sort of action being taken and possibly lack of clarity around pavement parking.</p> <p>The latest trend is to park completely on the pavement, whether outside shops, schools, parks or building sites. It is curious that Health & Safety Regulations require erection of temporary meter wide pedestrian walkways when pavements are partially blocked, and yet nothing is done when pavements are completely blocked by motorists.</p> <p>It is curious that there appear to be different rules in London than the rest of the country I'm not sure where the 'policing' of this lies, but as there is a Township Forum meeting tomorrow night where the Police will be present, it would seem appropriate to raise the issue.</p>		<p>Footway parking in Prestwich is enforced if there is a highway restriction attached such as double yellow lines. The restriction is measured from the middle of the road up to the property/boundary line if adopted by the Council.</p> <p>Parking Services enforcement via NSL has no remit to enforce if there is no restriction although GMP could enforce if it is deemed as an obstruction.</p> <p>One caveat is that a number of areas in Prestwich with shops and business areas have canopy properties in which the area immediately outside the shop is private land and therefore we cannot enforce.</p> <p>I appreciate that the driver would have to drive from the highway over to footway to park outside their property but that is a driving matter for GMP and not Bury Council</p> <p>John Foudy Car Parking Manager</p>

		It would be tragic if someone was to be seriously injured or killed before action was taken.		
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Ruth Shedwick, Township Coordinator
29 March 2016

Bury Council Township Forum Report



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Additionally, a borough-wide allocation of £8,000 is available for "cross-ward" applications for activity that takes place across more than one ward. The "cross-ward" applications are determined by the Council's Small Grants Panel.

Organisations applying for funding should be running projects which address at least one of the following priorities or one of those detailed in the Township plans:

- Improved employment opportunities
- Improved Community and Safety
- Improved Health and Well being
- Learning Opportunities for local residents
- Community Cohesion, Community Pride and belonging
- Environmental improvements

This report details the applications received to date including the February 2016 round of funding. The first round of applications was approved by the Small Grants Panel as there was insufficient time to form sub group of the Township Forums before the applications had to be approved.

Bury East

Group	Details	Amount requested	Amount allocated	Date approved
Beasties Junior Youth Club	Big Jubilee Lunch	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	23.06.15
New Springs Community Project	Community awards evening	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	05.10.15
Openshaw Greens Park	maintenance	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	14/03/2016
Chesham Fold	Running cost	£ 250.00	declined	
SupportiveStem Community	Family Easter Event	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	14/03/2016
Association of Bury Allotments	Cost towards Coach trip to flower show	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	14/03/2016
		£1500.00	£1250.00	
		Available	£6500	

Bury West

Group	Details	Amount requested	Amount allocated	Date approved
Peoples Voice	To improve site sensory garden and beds	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	23.06.15
Walshaw Park Football Club	Junior Team Kit	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	23.06.15
Brandlesholme Residents Association	Welcome signs North & South boundaries	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	17.11.15
		£ 750.00	£ 750.00	

Available	£7250
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Prestwich

Group	Details	Amount requested	Amount allocated	Date approved
Prestwich Carnival	Carnival Event Insurance	£ 250.00	-	
Village Greens Community Co-op	To increase chillers area for provision	£ 250.00	-	
Big Knit	Purchase wool	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	23.06.15
Albert Avenue Allotments	Setting up bee hives	£ 250.00	-	
Seaforth Explorer Unit	Purchase new tents and pans	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	17.09.15
St Margaret's Bowling Club	Update Kitchen facilities	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	17.09.15
Simister Village Community Assoc.	Hold family social event for all the village	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	17.08.15
Prestwich Methodist Youth Association	Youth Workers	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	12.11.15
Bailey Street Bowling	Petrol powered grass trimmer	£ 188.00	£ 188.00	10.03.2016
		£ 2188.00	£ 1438.00	
		Available	£6562	

Radcliffe

Group	Details	Amount requested	Amount allocated	Date approved
Withins Community Association	To purchase raised planters & soil	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	16.09.15
Radcliffe Heritage Society	Promotional Calendars History of Radcliffe	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	16.09.15
The Rotary Club of Radcliffe	Annual over 70's Christmas Party	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	18.11.15
Radcliffe Business Group	Servicing for tree LED lights for 2 years	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	18.11.15
Red Bank Tenants	Good quality soil	£ 200.00	£ 200.00	18.11.15
Radcliffe Lights	Festive Event	£ 250.00	-	
Chapelfield Village Association	Planting tree package	£ 100.00	£ 100.00	07.03.16
		£ 1550.00	£ 1300.00	
		Available	£6450	

Ramsbottom Tottington and North Manor

Group	Details	Amount requested	Amount allocated	Date approved
Tottington & District Townswomen's guild	Organised Speakers at events	£ 250.00	-	
Soroptomist	Provide a Tea Party for Ramsbottom elderly	£ 250.00	-	
Tottington Park Bowling and Social Club	Purchase new equipment	£ 250.00	-	
Greenmount Village Community	Signage	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	26.11.15
Nangreaves Residents Association	Towards repairs of wall	£ 250.00	-	
Tottington & District Townswomen	Speakers or room hire	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	07/03/2016
Bury Rural Inequalities Forum	Promote West Pennine Way	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	07/03/2016
Ramsbottom Heritage Society	Restore paint on urban crest	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	07/03/2016
South Royd Street Allotment	Repair communal path on allotments	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	07/03/2016
Affetside Society	Repairs to storage shed	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	07/03/2016
Bury Archeological Group	hire of machinery and fencing	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	07/03/2016
Greenmount Village Pre School	Provision of healthy snacks	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	07/03/2016
		£ 3000.00	£ 2000.00	

	Available	£6000
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Whitefield and Unsworth

Group	Details	Amount requested	Amount allocated	Date approved
Whitefield Community Graveyard	Purchase equipment & Soil	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	
Victoria Youth	Job Club	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	23.06.15
North M/c Ladies Jewish Drama Grp	Drama piece for the group	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	08.09.15
Bill Lane Improvement Scheme	Improvements & clean up on Bill Lane	£ 250.00	£ 250.00	17.11.15
		£ 1,000.00	£ 1,000.00	
		Available	£7000	

Cross Township

Group	Details	Amount requested	Amount allocated	Date approved
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Eden Garden Allotments	Equipment & items for area in allotments	£ 500.00	£ 300.00	23.06.15
Tottington Holiday club	Provision of Holiday club and activities	£ 500.00	£ 500.00	23.06.15
Bury Archaeological Group	Member training, Newsletter & Excavations	£	-	23.06.15
Tottington Sports Club	Tottingtons 'Big Day Out'	£ 500.00	-	23.06.15
Prestwich Book Festival	Host Event for book lovers, £300 returned	£ 400.00	£300.00	23.06.15
Hard of Hearing	Tutor and room hire	£ 500.00	£ 265.00	23.06.15
Bury Widows	Towards cost of Railway lunch & day out	£ 500.00	-	
Bury and Districts Home Watch	Annual Home Watch Conference	£ 500.00	£ 200.00	15.09.15
Unsworth Cricket Club FC	Full size foldable goal post	£ 500.00	£ 500.00	15.09.15
Bury Carers Group	To run variety of activities for carers	£ 500.00	rejected	
Little Britain Anglers	Lawn mower	£	deferred	
Buddy's for Children with Autism	fixtures and fittings for new shop	£ 500.00	rejected	

The Rotary Club of Ramsbottom	Trip for young carers to Blackpool	£ 500.00	£ 500.00	17.08.15
Group	Details	Amount requested	Amount allocated	Date approved
Bury Diabetic Support Group	To organise information events	£ 500.00	rejected	
Bury Archaeological Group	Equipment	£	rejected	
Well Arty	Too match fund music pilot for young people	£ 500.00	rejected	
SupportiveStem Community Growth	Marketing Campaign to raise awareness	£ 470.00	rejected	
Its Time 4 Change	Room Hire for Breakfast Club	£ 500.00	£ 500.00	17.11.15
Bloco Ashe	Marketing & room hire for workshops	£ 500.00	£ 240.00	17.11.15
Bury Voluntary Ranger Service	To line and insulate container for storing tools	£ 500.00	£ 500.00	17.11.15
Langley Allotments	Part payment for replacement building	£ 500.00	£ 500.00	17.11.15
Whitefield Horticultural Society	Centenary event	£ 480.00	£ 250.00	17.11.15
Bury Diabetic Society	Running costs	£ 500.00	withdrawn	
Little Britain Anglers	Lawn mower	£	deferred	
Radcliffe Swimming & Water Polo	Towards new equipment	£ 500.00	£300	08/03/2016
Jigsaw Link	Volunteer Expenses & Promotional	£ 500.00	£500	08/03/2016

	Materials			
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Little Britain Anglers	Lawn Mower	£ 450.00	£450	08/03/2016
Communic8te Bury	Training cost for volunteers	£ 500.00	£500	08/03/2016
Greenmount Village	Already applied this financial year			
The Rotary Club of Bury	purchase soft furnishings for families in crisis	£ 500.00	£500	08/03/2016
Whitefield Painting Group	Room Hire and insurance	£ 500.00	£500	08/03/2016
Creative Living Centre	Fridge and Freezer for centre	£ 500.00	£500	08/03/2016
Brandlesholme Warriors Juniors	Drainage of pitch	£ 500.00	£500	08/03/2016
2nd Ramsbottom Scout Group	New stoves	£ 482.00	£482	08/03/2016
Tottingtons Sports Club	Tottingtons Big Day Out	£ 500.00	£ -	
Contact Bury Ind Living	Volunteers expenses , travel, activities	£ 500.00	£500	08/03/2016
Brandlesholme Scarecrow Fest	Scarecrow Festival & Family Fun Day	£ 500.00	£500	08/03/2016
Bury Somali Youth Group	Pitch hire , bibs and footballs not sent funds	£ 500.00	£500	08/03/2016

Incredible Edible	Project Beds x 3	£ 500.00	£500	08/03/2016
Speakeasy	lap top and projector	£ 488.00	£500	08/03/2016
Prestwich Clough Centenary	Marquee Hire	£ 500.00	£500	08/03/2016
		£ 17,782.00 Applied	£ 11,787.00 Awarded	
			£800 returned	

On the last round of Small Grants there was an under spend throughout the financial year and the Panel were able to award over the £8000. A further amount £5995 was approved but of the awarded figure there was £800 returned.