

Minutes of: PRESTWICH TOWNSHIP FORUM

Date of Meeting: 12 March 2014

Venue: Longfield Suite, Prestwich

Present:

Councillors: Councillors J Black; G Campbell, M James; D O'Hanlon; A Simpson, T Pickstone; and A Quinn

Advisory Group

Representatives: Mr D Stanley - Prestwich Clough Centenary Group
Mr P Gresty - Churches Together Prestwich and Kersal
Mr F Adam - Manchester and District Jewish Representative Council
Mr T Gribben - Prestwich Heritage Society
Mr A Smith - Patients Council (in the Chair)

Public attendance: 39 members of the public were in attendance

Apologies for absence: Councillor Heneghan, Councillor Bayley, Mr S A Husain - Simister Homewatch Scheme

PTF.865 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Adrian Smith, representing the Patients Council, declared a personal interest in Minutes PTF.870 and PTF.871 below, relating to Healthier Together and the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment, due to his current employment working with NHS organisations.

PTF.866 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

It was agreed:

That the Minutes of the last meeting, held on 3 February 2014, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

PTF.867 MATTERS ARISING

A copy of the Action Checklist was submitted. Further to Minute PTF.732, Councillor Quinn reported that the street lighting matter had been reported to officers and a response was awaited.

PTF.868 POLICE UPDATE

Inspector Kenny provided an update on policing matters in respect of Prestwich and highlighted concerns in relation to a recent increase in rates of burglary in Prestwich. Inspector Kenny stressed the importance of working with the public and the use of crime prevention measures.

PTF.869 TOWNSHIP PLAN UPDATE

Ruth Shedwick, Township Co-ordinator, gave a verbal update in respect of the Prestwich Township Plan. Councillor Black, Chair of the Regeneration Group referred to the role of the Group in helping to secure £0.5m funding for Highways improvements along the A56 corridor through Prestwich Village.

During discussion of this item David Stanley highlighted that outstanding section 106 monies for Prestwich had not been forthcoming and requested that the matter be followed up.

It was agreed:

That the update be noted.

PTF.870 HEALTHIER TOGETHER

Dr Kiran Patel, Chair of NHS Bury Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) attended the meeting in order to give a presentation on the Healthier Together initiative aimed at transforming health and care services in Bury. The presentation covered the following key areas:-

- Provided background information on Bury CCG
- Detailed the Healthier Together initiative's aims and objectives
- Detailed the different organisations responsible for the governance of the Healthier Together initiative
- Provided information on the In-Hospital Reconfiguration Programme
- Explained why the changes in managing and delivering health and care services in Bury needed to be introduced
- Explained the future vision for local and specialised health care services
- Detailed the future model of care for single services
- Explained how the changes would be achieved via a two year operating and five year strategic planning programme

The Chair invited questions, comments and representations from members of the Township Forum and from members of the public present at the meeting and the following issues were raised:

- Jay Lieberman highlighted the effect on the Police of being required to deal with people with mental health issues. Dr Patel acknowledged the need for health professional to work more closely with the Police and referred to the current regular dialogue that takes place.
- Councillor Campbell stressed the importance of making the public aware of which specialist services will be provided and how they will be delivered on the ground.
- In response to a question concerning access to GP services, Dr Patel highlighted work in Radcliffe and stressed the importance of GPs sharing good practice to improve accessibility and availability of

services.

- Councillor Simpson referred to the importance of improving patient education to enable them to be diverted to appropriate services. Dr Patel acknowledged that better self care education an awareness of services available through pharmacies and optometrists were part of the solution.

It was agreed:

That Kiran Patel be thanked for his presentation.

PTF.871 JOINT STRATEGIC NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Frances Carberry, Health Improvement Specialist, gave a presentation on the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) being undertaken by NHS Bury CCG which is intended to provide an assessment of local health and social care needs now and in to the future. It is hoped that the JSNA will be used to inform and guide commissioning of health, well-being and social care services within Bury. The presentation provided detailed statistical analysis of the health and wellbeing status of Bury communities on a ward by ward basis with particular reference to the 3 wards within the Prestwich area. The data showed where the inequalities in Bury exist and it was explained that this information would help to highlight key findings, identify changes that have occurred and what these changes mean to Bury and help to identify areas for further analysis and exploration.

Some of the priorities identified following the local needs assessment exercise were detailed as follows:-

- Tackling alcohol related health problems
- Promoting independence at home for older people where possible
- Reducing levels of smoking and smoking prevention
- Promoting physical activity
- Better understanding of the needs of vulnerable people
- Halting the increasing rates of childhood obesity and reducing obesity in adults
- Understanding and addressing health inequalities
- Tackling cancer and circulatory disease
- Anticipating rising demand and need
- Focus on most deprived areas
- Focus on mental and emotional wellbeing

The meeting was informed that the Consultation for the JSNA would run until 31 March, 2014. It was reported that at the end of the Consultation process, a report would be compiled of all responses received and the Health & Wellbeing Board would consider the findings and implications for the Health and Wellbeing Strategy and relevant commissioning plans.

It was agreed:

That Frances Carberry be thanked for her presentation.

PTF.872 PARKLIFE 2014

John Drape, Live Director for the Parklife , which is due to take place on 7th and 8th June gave a presentation setting out details of the event.

The presentation set out a number of actions being actions being taken to address issues raised by residents as a result of last years event, including:

- Review of street parking and enforcement and consideration of a residents parking scheme
- Increase in taxi management provision
- Review of drop off and pick up controls on the highway
- Doubling of toilet provision
- Doubling of security provision external to the park
- Increase in official taxi provision
- Additional resources to improve management of people in the Scholes Lane, Whittaker Lane, Park Road and Meade Hill

Mr Drape further reported on the detailed and increased communication methods with local residents in the run up to the event which included the delivery of 6,000 letters.

Questions and comments were invited from members of the public present at the following issues were raised:

- In response to a question concerning a lack of taxis which resulted in people heading towards Bury New Road, Mr Drape explained that they were working with taxi providers to ensure more resources that would enable people to access transport close to the venue.
- Members of the public present at the meeting stressed the need for extra Policing and enforcement action where necessary.
- In response to a question from James H Reeve, Mr Drape acknowledged that a residents parking scheme would have helped last year and confirmed that a scheme would be in place for this year's event.
- In response to a question concerning how many years in the future the event will be held at Heaton Park, Mr Drape explained that this was a matter for Manchester Council.
- Councillor Quinn highlighted that it had become apparent last year that there was no requirement for doormen to be present at nearby pubs. Mr Drape undertook to take this issue to the Alcohol Management meeting to be held on Friday.
- In response to issues raised by Councillor Black, Mr Drape confirmed that he was happy to engage with local traders and encourage local volunteers. Mr Drape also confirmed that a donation from the event would be made to a local charity.

- Mr Drape acknowledged that security staff needed to be more mobile and undertook to ensure staff received improved briefings.

It was agreed:

That Mr Drape be thanked for his presentation.

PTF.873 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.

- In response to a request Eammon O'Brien, concerning the uptake in Credit Union membership, an undertaking was given to contact the relevant officer for statistics.
- With regard to the investment in Bury New Road, Councillor Black explained that Officers were looking at options . It was requested that an options report be brought to a future meeting of the Forum.

PTF.874 COMMUNITY FUNDING REPORT

A copy of the Community Funding report for Prestwich was submitted, setting out details of funding allocations to date in support of the work of local voluntary and community groups.

It was agreed:

That the report be noted.

PTF.875 COMMUNITY NOTICES

The Township Co-ordinator gave notice of forthcoming events that would be taking place in Prestwich.

MR A SMITH (Patients Council)

Chair

(Note: The meeting started at 6.30 pm and ended at 8.40pm)