

Toton and Chilwell Meadows Community Action Team



Minutes of Meeting Toton Methodist Church Tuesday 28th November 2017

Present:

Cllr Lee FletcherBroxtowe Borough CouncilLFCllr Eric KerryBroxtowe Borough CouncilEKCllr Richard JacksonBroxtowe Borough CouncilRJ

Paul Summers Head of Environment, Broxtowe Borough Council
Marice Hawley Chief Communities Officer, Broxtowe Borough Council

16 residents

1. Welcome & introductions

2. Apologies:

Cllr Stephanie Kerry Broxtowe Borough Council
Cllr Halimah Khaled Broxtowe Borough Council
Clifford Richmond

3. Minutes of the meeting

Accepted as a true record

4. Matters Arising

None

5. Presentation - Overview of Bin Routes - Paul Summers BBC

A presentation was given on domestic waste and recycling collections and the new bin routes which will be introduced on 4th December 2017. 30% of rounds in the borough have been changed including those in the Toton area.

Broxtowe's waste is disposed of through an incinerator feeding 35,000 properties and Victoria Centre with heating and in addition puts energy back into the National Grid.

The aim is for the borough to achieve a 45% recycling target. Recycled waste goes to Mansfield to be sorted and bulked up for disposal and garden waste is bulked up for reuse.

It has been necessary to put in place new collection routes to accommodate recently built new homes and future proof the routes for any additional homes to be built within the next 10 years. The changes will also keep down the costs of the waste collection system.

There is a web-link on Broxtowe's website – this will be sent to residents leaving their email address with Cllrs at the end of the meeting.

ACTION: Councillors to send out web link to all leaving their contact details after the meeting.

Residents' questions;

- During the changeover the black bin may not be emptied for longer than usual - For those which have had a dislocation of more than a few days additional collections have been put in place and these are in the letters sent out to residents.
- Do Broxtowe recycle foil? No, the recycling centre is unable to accept this as it usually contains fat.

Web link for further information on recycling

https://www.broxtowe.gov.uk/for-you/waste-and-recycling/recycling-bin/

6. Toton & Chilwell Neighbourhood Forum update - Mr R Hutchinson, Chairman

- The group is still in foundation stage collating baseline data
- The local plan is currently going through consultation
- The forum is attending the next HS2 delivery board
- Land will be released at Chetwynd Barracks from 2021 and the forum has a good working relationship with them
- It is important that residents contact the forum with their views, and they are encouraged to do so if they wish them to be heard
- The current proposition is for 500 homes to be built on Toton Lane and a further 500 on land released for development by Chetwynd Barracks

Residents' questions;

 What can be done to stop the Peveril proposition dead? - Councillors are looking at it carefully but they need sound planning grounds to turn it down. They are keeping a dialogue open with Peveril.

ACTION: Councillors to update at the next meeting

• Is the planning application for houses only or other development? – The application is for dwellings so these could be dwellings of any type.

7. Residents' Issues

7.1 Additional speed cameras required along Nottingham Road – there are already 3 between the Corn Mill and Chilwell School. Councillors will monitor the numbers of speeding cars caught on existing cameras to ascertain if additional ones are necessary and will contact Nottinghamshire County Council should this be the case. Councillors will look into the alternative interactive speed signs.

ACTION: County Councillors to monitor number of camera enforcements and liaise with Nottinghamshire County Council

7.2 Are there any plans to alter the access roads around Chilwell Retail Park to prevent the current gridlock? – NCC spent millions installing smart traffic lights however the issue remains that there are too many cars using the retail park.

- 7.3 Could smart traffic lights be installed at Swiney Way as too few cars exit the junction compared with vehicles from Long Eaton?

 ACTION: County Councillors to investigate
- 7.4 Evans Halshaw have made an application to retain their flagpoles however there are still planning issues which they have not addressed making the current situation dangerous. Is the Council able to withhold consent for the flagpoles until the planning issues are resolved? As there are no specific issues with the flagpoles these may not be able to be refused.
- 7.4.1 The plans show where various users can park including car transporters however these are not enforced. It is worthwhile residents responding to the planning consultation as once it is agreed they will have to use the site as stipulated within the planning application.
 ACTION: Councillors to chase response from Pendragon. Local MP Rt Hon Anna Soubry held talks with residents and has contacted the owners of the site, Pendragon.
- 7.4.2 Is there any enforcement or escalation that can take place if they don't comply?
 Yes, however expensive enforcement is not the first response as issues may be resolved through informal talks. An update will be given as soon as possible.
 ACTION: Councillors to provide an update at the next meeting.
- 7.5 Is the Council looking at the traffic issues in Toton before HS2 and the Peveril development start? Yes there are additional lanes for the Peveril site and talks will be held prior to HS2. Local MP Rt Hon Anna Soubry held talks with residents and has contacted the owners of the site, Pendragon.
- 7.6 Did Peveril reduce the number of homes to avoid paying for road improvements?No the Council reduced the number of homes.
- 7.7 A rat was spotted on West Point Retail Park car park adjacent to Corn Mill. Confirmation has been given by the site manager that cleaning will take place before and after the busiest periods of the week and they will put in additional bins if required. The bin situation will be reviewed.

ACTION: Cllr Fletcher will send a letter, engaging local businesses and speak to Clowes Development (landlords for the site) and seek to arrange an on-site visit with local residents, Borough Councillors and local on-site businesses.

- **7.8** Trees have been felled on Stapleford Lane however consultation has not taken place Cllrs are unaware of this.
 - ACTION: Cllr Jackson to investigate reasons for their removal and if they are being replaced.
- **7.9** Why did the council cut down a cherry tree on Greenwood Park due to it blocking the CCTV signal?
 - **ACTION: Councillors will investigate.**
- 7.10 Rat catching devices are present in Tesco's car park so is there a rat infestation? Councillors are unaware of one however they may be there as a preventative measure.

ACTION: Councillors to investigate.

7.11 Where is the cabling being put in around the substation going? – This is thought to be renewal of existing cabling.

ACTION: Councillors to investigate.

7.12 The 'Toton' sign should be at Bardills Island rather than its current site as the A52 is the boundary. This is a big issue for the people of Toton as it is confusing. This needs to be changed before the planned houses are built. - There are several boundaries, parish, ward, political etc and this needs to be thought about before any changes are made.

ACTION: Councillors agreed to work with local resident Graham Heal on remedying this issue.

7.13 There is a puddle on Sandown Road which slows the traffic down.

ACTION: Cllr Jackson to chase up Nottinghamshire County Council.

- 8. AOB
- **8.1** A PSPO for car cruising has been put in place to replace the current injunction which expires in January.
- **8.2** Attenborough Church of St Marys is planning to commemorate the munitions disaster in Toton. A presentation will be given to Attenborough Community Action Team in January regarding the plans.

Additional information supplied by Cllr Kerry for the minutes:

Next year will be the Centenary of the Chilwell Munitions factory explosion, an explosion that took the lives of 139 civilians whose job it was to fill the shells for the First World War. At St Mary's Church Attenborough, we have a mass grave where most of the dead are buried although only one was identified.

It is our wish to restore the mass grave and the memorial ready for the centenary on 1st July 2018. We would like to build a raised bed area around the graves and replace the memorial which was taken down in the 70's due to vandalism and deterioration. This would give those who died the recognition they deserve.

The forthcoming centenary has provoked much interest from local historians and groups, as well as meriting a mention in a BBC documentary last year and we felt it right to take the opportunity to refurbish the site. We have worked closely with the Chilwell Army Barracks (which is on the site of the factory explosion) and they have provided assistance and support to us. The project will cost over £10,000. We are currently applying for donations and grants to fund this project.

The plan is to have a week of activities prior to the centenary date which is Sunday, 1st July. These include displays of memorabilia from the factory, workshops for children, talks given at the Barracks as well as at St Mary's Church, a concert on the Saturday night and a service of commemoration on the Sunday evening.

We want the local community to get involved and especially would like to hear from anyone who has stories handed down about the explosion.

Please contact Gill Linton-Smith on 07505111031 or email on outreach@attenboroughchurch.org.uk

- **8.3** Thanks were given to residents for attending.
- 9. Date of Next meetings

To be advised

ACTION: Councillors

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