



**Beeston West
Community Action Team Minutes
Tuesday, 17th July 2018
Old Council Chamber, Town Hall,
Foster Avenue, Beeston**

1. Welcome and introductions

Councillor Janet Patrick (in the chair) welcomed everyone. Councillor Greg Marshall and County Councillors Eric Kerry, Steve Carr and Kate Foale were in attendance. Mr Paul Summers, Head of Environment, was the invited speaker with his colleague Chris Robertson, and 8 residents and 2 visitors were present.

There were 3 apologies.

2. Broxtowe Recycling

Paul Summers' Environment Department has to keep Broxtowe's public land clear of litter and debris with a staff of 20 and an annual budget of £750K. 400km of highway are swept and 1200 bins emptied, and 40% of the waste collected is recycled. Responding to fly-tipping and graffiti costs £20K while additional responsibilities include autumn leaf clearance, highway week-killing and recovery of abandoned vehicles. The three town centre attendants provide the public face to a large and varied enterprise.

Paul addressed the current concern over **Single Use Plastic (SUP)**. The government is consulting on how best to reduce the amount of SUP wasted; by reducing unnecessary production, increasing reuse, and improving recycling.

Broxtowe Borough Council is assessing its own use of SUP, seeking to reduce use by partners and contractors, and identifying alternatives. The issue is highlighted on the website which gives advice to residents: avoid plastic straws, bags and coffee cups and promote glass bottles and refill stations for drinks.

3. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 20 March 2018 at 7pm in the Old Council Chamber, Foster Avenue were circulated **and agreed**.

4. Matters arising

The two issues raised in October were still causing problems:

- a. Tarmac surface of the **Round Hill twitchell**: one minor repair had been effected.
- b. **Drivers travelling from Foster Avenue to The Square** near the *Last Post*, bringing hazard to pedestrians. It was reported that police had apprehended some culprits.

5. Residents' new issues

- a. **Police attendance at CAT meetings**: it was hoped that the new Inspector would send PCSOs to future meetings.
- b. **Toilet facilities at the Carnival**: the organisers would be notified of residents' concerns over inadequate provision.
- c. **Pavement surfaces on Bramcote Avenue**: Cllr Kerry agreed to take this up with the Highways Department.

6. Date of next meeting

Tuesday 23 October 2018.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.

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