

PRESENT: Councillor R Dixon, Chairman
Councillor C Novak, Vice-Chairman
Councillor Busby Councillor A Davies
Councillor A Gardiner Councillor A Hewitt

IN ATTENDANCE: Councillor Don Stockton - Cheshire East
Craig Buckley - National Trust
Paul McGonigle - Electricity North West
Sue McDonald - Clerk
Members of the public

1 APOLOGIES: Councillor Fox

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS: None

3 MINUTES

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 24th July 2017. Proposed by Councillor Hewitt, seconded by Councillor Davies. **RESOLVED:** The Minutes of the meeting held on 24th July 2017 were accepted as a true record. The minutes for 9th October 2017 will be signed at the meeting on 8th January 2018

4 MATTERS ARISING

All matters arising from the last meeting were either dealt with or added as items to this Agenda

5 ELECTRICITY NORTH WEST ROAD CLOSURES

Paul McGonigle, of Electricity North West (ENW), provided the following update:

- The project is 8 weeks into an expected 12 week duration
- All the engineering works will be completed and the cable laid
- The works are due to finish in December and if the current progress is maintained the project could be finished in 11 weeks rather than 12
- The single file on Hollin Lane is necessary to enable flow of traffic. The alternative would have been to close the road

Paul concluded by saying that he would welcome questions and comments

Councillors had the following concerns and questions:

- Why was Worms Hill/Twinneys Bridge still closed to traffic?
Paul explained that the prolonged closure was for safety reasons. Cheshire East determined road closures rather than ENW
Councillors responded that they did not understand Cheshire East's decision
- There is concern about Station Road to and from Stanneylands Road. The bridge near Stanneylands is weak and cannot sustain the amount of heavy goods vehicles (some of which appeared to belong to ENW) especially as there is a 7.5 ton limit.
Paul stated that there was signage at both ends of the road stating the it was unsuitable for heavy goods vehicles and he would look into the matter
Paul explained that the prolonged closure was for safety reasons about Twinneys Bridge
- Will Altrincham Road be affected?
Paul replied that there was no cable on Altrincham Road
- Some of the contractors are parking on Altrincham Road and private roads and there needs to be more consideration
Paul noted this comment and would look into the problem

6 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION TIME (10 MINUTES)

Many of the public's comments reflected those of the Councillors as included above. In addition the following was raised:

- Concern about the safety of people especially near the narrowed part of Hollin Lane where a wing mirror was lost
- Traffic delays had resulted in missed appointments
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- The road closures and works had caused traffic chaos
- Coaches had become stuck further adding to traffic delays

Councillor Stockton stated that he completely understood the frustration of residents but stressed it was an emergency situation which required immediate action to prevent the loss of electricity to 22,000 homes.

7 COUNCILLOR STOCKTON'S REPORT

Councillor Stockton stated that he had nothing specific to report but would contribute to items on the Agenda as appropriate

8 NATIONAL TRUST REPORT

Craig Buckley of the National Trust provided the following report:

- **The Mill**

The Mill is currently closed on Monday and Tuesday

Essential repairs to the sprinkler system and the lift will commence on 20th November and last for 6+ months

- **Bank House Farm**

The Trust has bought Bank House Farm to prevent its being developed.

The farmhouse is up for sale using a sealed bids system

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- **Gulley near Horse Chestnut**

It is suspected that the horse chestnut roots are causing problems for the nearby gulley. The Nt is currently looking at rerouting the drainage system in this area

Councillors wondered if this was the cause of the drain outside (from the Croft to the horse chestnut) frequently becoming blocked? Craig will raise this with the NT

9 WEBSITE**9.1 General Report**

Statistics	Sep	347 Unique Visitors	645 Visits
	Oct	753 Unique Visitors	1,235 Visits

9.2 Website Enquiries

2 enquiries received

- Complaint about a driver who is actively discouraging passenger from boarding the 200 bus. The Clerk responded and will write to the bus company
- Invitation to put Styal PC's minutes in Wilmslow Guardian. Councillors will give some future consideration to this matter

10 HIGHWAYS MATTERS**10.1 SEMMMS A6 Relief Road**

There was nothing new to report

10.2 Speeding, General Parking and Speed Limits

The Clerk had sent a request to Cheshire East to progress the proposal to introduce areas of two hour parking, no return on Altrincham Road, but had not yet had a response

10.3 Other Highways Matters

- **Parking at the School**

There is some very inconsiderate parking by parents depositing or picking up children from school to the extent that it is presenting a hazard for other road users. Road markings and warning signs are being completely ignored. Offenders are listed in the school newsletter which some parents also ignore.

Councillor Dixon is a school governor and will raise this issue with the school

- **Zebra Crossing**

The LED lights are not working on the right hand side of the crossing, coming towards Styal from Moss Nook. The Clerk will report the matter to Highways

11 200 BUS REVIEW

It is fairly certain that Cheshire East will no longer subsidise the 200 bus service and thus it will be discontinued.

Councillors were of the opinion that retention of the 200 bus benefitted the Airport and the Mill in addition to residents and therefore it may be in these organisations' interests to support the services. The Clerk was asked to contact Manchester airport

Councillors discussed whether or not bus companies would consider running a limited service. Currently it is an hourly service there and back. The Clerk will contact the bus company

It should be noted that, as of May 2018, the Manchester Airport/Styal Station/Wilmslow train will run hourly

12 VILLAGE MATTERS

12.1 Field on Hollin Lane

The Clerk is in contact with the Land Registry on the best way to record the owners of the plots in the field. There is some confusion about which method should be used

12.2 Other Village Matters

- Styal in Bloom
Styal won a silver award in the competition

13 MANCHESTER AIRPORT

13.1 General Report

At the meeting on 9th October 2017, Samantha Atherton, of Manchester Airport, gave a presentation on the proposed increased operating hours of Dual Runway use from summer 2018. As a result of this Samantha was presented with a series of questions for the airport. The answers received are as follows:

- **Community trust fund**

The Community fund is based on the fines levied at airlines. How can it be sustained as aircraft become more efficient?

The airport is currently looking at the funding of the scheme as this is a valued community initiative. The community trust fund has provided funding for a number of worthy community initiatives in Styal including support with railings around the site of the old school, a grant for the cricket club and also Earlams café. Extra funding has also previously been provided for the Cenotaph.

- **Electricity North West**

It was stated at the 23rd May meeting of the Airport and Styal PC, that the airport asked ENWL to put back the road closures

The first the Airport and a number of other stakeholders knew about the works was when the advance road closure signs appeared. We have been working closely with contractors and clients of a number of road schemes / works around the airport site to try to ensure that their works, as far as possible, do not impact on each other and to co-ordinate the traffic management measures.

Whilst our request was primarily driven by the need to minimise the impact on the airport site it was also to enable these other works adapt their schedules to reflect the ENW works. For instance, the works on the A538 to create the Global Logistics Hub entrance junction made changes to avoid overnight road closures that they originally had programmed because of the impact they would have had in conjunction with the ENW works.

- **Car parking spaces for residents**

There should be recognition of the impact that the airport has on Styal and perhaps residents could be compensated by providing car parking facilities

Our Sustainable Development Plan discusses our strategy around car parking and surface access. In simple terms this wouldn't be practical or a sustainable use of the land around the airport that would be needed in order to provide the level of car parking requested. We also understand that the Parish Council would like us to incentivise more people on to public transport.

- **Sound insulation grant scheme**

Sound insulation - can a cash sum be awarded to owners of listed buildings who cannot install sound insulation solutions

Government are currently reviewing community schemes around airports including SIGS and we await guidance on that. We do also provide grants towards acoustic loft insulation for those unaware of the other schemes that we provide. Special providers can be used to do bespoke windows and there are examples of this in Styal because we understand about the difficulties with listed buildings etc.

- **Kerosene smell/air quality**

Can anything be done about air pollution and the smell of kerosene?

There are data sheets available

- **Go arounds**

Why are there an increasing number of aborted landings?

Go arounds occur for a number of different reasons and are subjective to the pilot on board the aircraft. The total number of go arounds have not increased at Manchester as they are proportionate to the increase in traffic.

- **Multi-storey car parks**

Why can't car parks be multi storey rather than widely spread ground level?

It is dependent on the location so it is difficult to give one single answer to this question.

It the airport's stated aim that the intensity of land-use in and around the central terminal area will increase through the development of multi-storey car parks and a number of schemes have commenced. However, certain parts of the site are inappropriate for such products either because of the impact on protected surfaces and flight paths, or certain parts of the site remain in the Green Belt where such development would be inappropriate.

Our Sustainable Development Plan discusses our strategy in the Land Use Plan and the Economy and Surface Access Plan. Car parking is an integral part of our surface access strategy which whilst concentrating on how we secure improvements to public transport accessibility, recognises that access by car will continue to be the most common means of access to the airport. The challenge is to reduce the impact of that traffic on the wider road network and providing reasonably priced parking products will hopefully continue to drive down the proportion of 'kiss and fly' activity which has the greatest impact on the highway network, generating four movements on the wider highway network compared to two if parking on-site is used.

- **Public transport / 200 bus**

How can people be encouraged to use public transport instead of driving to the airport? It will be made even more difficult if the 200 bus route is lost

Ultimately the evidence shows that it is a service that is under used. However the Airport is in dialogue with bus operators about the 200 service.

- **Communications with the airport**

There is an abject failure of the airport to communicate with the Council. Issues are raised but not responded to

The airport is sorry that some members feel that we don't communicate well. We hold meetings at the airport and we send out a regular e-newsletter which is currently being refreshed. We also hold outreach meetings in the community and various community events across the year. Our next Outreach meeting is on 22 November at Earlams Village Store. If the council have any particular suggestions for ways we could improve this or ways that we could communicate differently we are completely open to suggestions for this. We understand that the council want to have a good relationship with the airport which means that we have the same goal and hope that we can improve on anything that the council feel we don't communicate well.

- **HGVs using Styal Road**

HGVs, destined for the airport, are using Stanneylands Road which has a 7.5 ton weight limit and a bridge that is too narrow and weak to carry HGVs

This is not part of our logistics strategy for MAN TP for the HGVs to use this road and we are not aware that they are doing so.

If anybody witnesses a HGV that they believe is going to the airport please do get in touch with us, and if possible provide any identifications such as the registration number, contractor, date or time to allow us to investigate this and raise with our construction partners.

- **Rogue meet and greet operators**

Styal is experiencing more and more traffic and offsite car parking

The airport encourages all passengers to check that they are booking with a reputable firm and if anybody is unsure whether they are booking 'official airport parking' operated by the airport, we ask them to call our customer services team who will be able to check for them. There are a number of operators that are not airport owned which provides competition and choice within the market place for customers. However if anybody has any issues with a particular operator, we would encourage them to contact the police and to complain to the council who will be able to investigate.

14 FINANCIAL MATTERS

14.1 Authorisation of Payments

To authorise payments falling due since the last meeting. Proposed by Councillor Davies, seconded by Councillor Dixon

£ 8.39 Rise Design Domain name renewal for one year

The Clerk will explore the possibility of renewing the domain name for a longer period to obviate the need to issue cheques for trivial amounts

14.2 Other Financial Matters

None

15 PLANNING MATTERS

15.1 Planning Applications to be Considered

To discuss current planning applications

17/5538M	The Worralls, 1, Hollin Lane, Styal, Cheshire, SK9 4JH Proposed demolition of an existing single storey garage and the erection of an Ancillary (Leisure) building	07/12/2017
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The Council objected to this planning application on the grounds that the house is a listed building in a greenbelt conservation area and the proposal will have an adverse effect on the openness of the greenbelt

15.2 17/3894M Clay Lane Sagars Road

Councillor Stockton stated that there can only be a cycleway and footpath between the proposed development and Station Road.

In the past many appeals by developers were lost because Cheshire East had no local plan in place. However, the local plan has now been adopted, thus there will be more protection from inappropriate developments.

Councillor Stockton warned that the Little Stanneylands development, whilst in Wilmslow, will affect Styal

15.3 Other Planning Matters

None

16 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

To receive a report on the progress of the Neighbourhood Plan (NP)

The Clerk had contacted Cheshire Community Action (CCA) for advice on progressing the NP and how much it would cost for any consultation.

CCA charges £315 per day for members. The fee does not attract VAT although mileage is charged at 40p per mile

The Clerk will send CCA the Skeleton Plan and, from that a 'guestimate' of how many days the group may need consultation for

17 COUNCILLOR SURGERY

To receive a report on the outcome of the Councillor Surgery on 14th October 2017

No residents attended and it was agreed that the surgeries would be suspended until the new year

18 CORRESPONDENCE

Emails: Forwarded to Councillors

Post:

Manchester Airport

Manchester Airport

Commercial

Community Fund details

Runway 1 Closures

Mail shots

19 SHARED ITEMS

Ian Kirk kindly cut back the hedge on Hollin Lane

20 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (10 MINUTES)

- The National Trust has created a new car park which suggests it is encouraging visitors arriving by car.
- Older residents can obtain bus passes but the train, regardless of frequency, is much more expensive
- The finger post at the junction of Moss Lane and Altrincham Road has been damaged by a drunk driver.
The Clerk will report the matter to Highways
- The undergrowth at the closed end of Altrincham Road needs cutting back. *The Clerk will contact the Airport*

21 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 8th January 2018 at 7.30 pm in Styal Methodist Church

22 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Members of the press and public will be excluded from this part of the meeting due to the confidential nature of the business as per Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 9.00 pm

Signed: _____ Chairman 9th January 2018