

Meeting Minutes @ Rufus Bar & Kitchen, Prestwich

Attendees

Chair (and minutes): Mike Wingfield
Treasurer: Barbara Hodgson
Secretary: Neil Martin
Artur Koral
Carl Dale
Alison Dale
Jakki Capron
Rob Trueblood
Cllr Eamonn O’Brien
Cllr Jane Black
Christine Rogers
Radek Kuchcinski
Lee Patterson
Roddy Liddy

Discussion Points

Communications to spread the word

- Blog could be added to the Clean Team Website. JB suggested people who are offline – how about a newsletter.
- Banners / Logos / Stickers. – **Action NM to investigate**
- JC’s daughter is graphic designer – and could potentially come up with a logo
- A-Board for the posters.
- Communications – online interactive map could be explored - **Action MW to investigate**
- JB suggested linking to Bury Directory
- JB noted Clough Day – and MW noted that Friends of St Mary’s Park (FoSMP) would like to have joint stall with CTP - Organizer Dave Stanley will be contacted (**Post meeting EB provided details for Clough day and MW trying to organize a meeting with CTP & FoSMP to plan stall**).
- Liaising with other local community groups – **Action CR to network**

Fly-tipping

After a spate of recent fly tipping in areas that CTP had recently litter pick there was much discussions on this topic

- Fly tipping – EB – has managed to get the fly tipping from Drinkwater Park (which NM reported) – removed.
- EB noted the procedure if Fly tipping is seen is-
 1. Report it on Bury Website - <https://www.bury.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=11296>

2. Make a note of the Reference Number
 3. Report it to your local councillors
- If fly tipping is on private land – then the council have no legal right to enforce it
 - MW mentioned that the local council recycling centres – charge money to commercial bulk waste, which is one, the reasons that people are fly tipping. MW questioned could this charge be dropped – EB suggested this should be a wider Manchester issue but suggested an amnesty could be set up.

Security Camera

- RK and AK are exploring cameras to capture fly tipping at Buckley Lane, Agecroft Rd and see what happens; with the intention to report the images to the police.
- AK showed 2 options for camera – £30 low maintenance or £10 high maintenance.
- It was raised as a concern that notices would need to be put up to alert people that CCTV recording was in us. The landowner’s permission would also need to be granted. – **Action RK to liaise with Police and find out what they recommend.**
- RT noted that Local Authority don’t have the resource to follow up on all the potentially images / video captures that CTP may capture. EB noted there are only 2 people on the council who could assist.
- EB noted that Andy Burnham, Major of Manchester – should somehow be involved to look at region wide strategy.
- AK noted dirt bikes were blighting the parks – Drinkwater especially bad and wondered how to resolve. RT noted that Greater Manchester Police has limited capacity. **Action EB to liaise with Police and look at crime reporting using the 101 non-emergencies telephone number.**

Litter Picks- Future

- JC and BH – are planning to arrange a regular Friday clean up
- JB noted Kersal Park is establishing a Friends groups with assistance from Six Town Housing
 - Kersal Road – brambles need cutting back.
- M60 roundabout – NM mentioned this is risky however, MW has requested AD to chase up with Highways agency
- Litter Pick Whitefield Park – Sunday 29th April 2018 at 10am
- Fairfax Car Park – W/e 19/20th May – KAM and TfGM – Skips, new fencing around the perimeter, a gate added, shrubbery cut back, contractor picking fly tipping
- JC asked about the Drinkwater – Could the councillors help getting a Street Cleaner machine out cleaning that.
- Mentioned again the Football matches that occur – **Action JC to liaise with local clubs and cleaning up after matches**
- EB noted Paul Robbins – Green space officer was securing litter pick equipment, which will be stored at the FoSMP – and stored at the Phoenix Centre.
- MW noted near Wickes, Swinton – the LVTA – area Forestry Commission Land in desperate need of a litter pick – although concern was raised that this was outside boundaries of Prestwich.

Proposed Future Litters Picks

- Drinkwater Park – in the middle such as by the Lakes / Ponds
- Clough Day – future litter picks
 - Photos to show the amount of litter
- Surveys to ask people where to target – BH noted this had been done on the Facebook group

Fines

- LP mentioned that Leeds City Council has notices saying Litters will be fined; and city centre Leeds was pretty clean.
- It was noted that on Prestwich High Street – the Taxi Company, litter outside this shop is still horrendous and they should be fined.
 - This area has been CTP litter picked several times.

Update on Prestwich Pledge

- Logo designed by Basil & Lily **(Post meeting – EB has forwarded design which will be circulated for review comment)**
- JB noted events at the top of Warwick Street to help launch the Pledge.
- EB noted there is funding – a couple of £1,000 to help launch

New Bins

- Local councillors have provided £500 for lamp post bins - for 8 bins – these will be installed in next couple of weeks
- 3 new dog poo bins will replace existing knackered bins – in St Mary’s Flower Park & Clough
- Along Prestwich High Street green bins will be replaced by black bins
- 34 hanging baskets on the new brackets along Prestwich High Street – Cllrs will be encouraging shop owners to take ownership of them after an initial period.

Funding

- JB – noted Michael Duddy (he was at the Clough Day) – could get 90% funding for a range of objectives, if CTP were able to raise the 10% - but there is a deadline by the end May.
- The Bury Pitch Grant – JB suggested aim for the maximum amount of £1,500, but deadline 11/05/18. **Action MW to arrange a planning meeting**
 1. £500 pitched for stationary, banners, A-boards, posters to help get the group going. Potential advert in the local magazines/ papers.
 2. Opportunities to explore – creating something that could be used in Primary Schools in the area to educate kids
 3. Potentially buying additional kit such as bag hoops or branded fluorescent
 4. Community Event / Celebration
- Kim Griffins – Neighbourhood Engagement Officer is the contact for the Pitch.

Crowd funding Just Giving –

- NM mentioned an ambassador, neighbourhood watch. JB noted that we need to change culture.

Constitution and Bank Account

- CTP constitution was briefly reviewed and no comments received. This is now accessible on the Cleanteamprestwich.org website and Facebook group.
- All were in agreement that a community bank account should be established with NatWest **(Post meeting BH, MW and NM filled in the online application form to create)**
- RT noted that the £500 secured off Councillors for lamp-post bins does not need to be declared within CTP Accounts as this money has been paid into Friends of Forest Park bank account.

AOB.

- RK and RT suggested checking out what Springwater Park in Whitefield have done regarding posters.
- Proposed a further meeting in 3 months – July 2018.