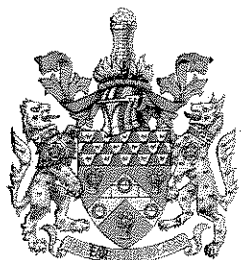




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Neighbourhoods



South
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Keeping our Community Safe

Safer South Derbyshire Partnership



Improving life for local people

Safer Neighbourhood
Area 4- Central
(6.15pm to 7.15pm)

and

Swadlincote Area Forum
(7.30pm to 8.30pm)

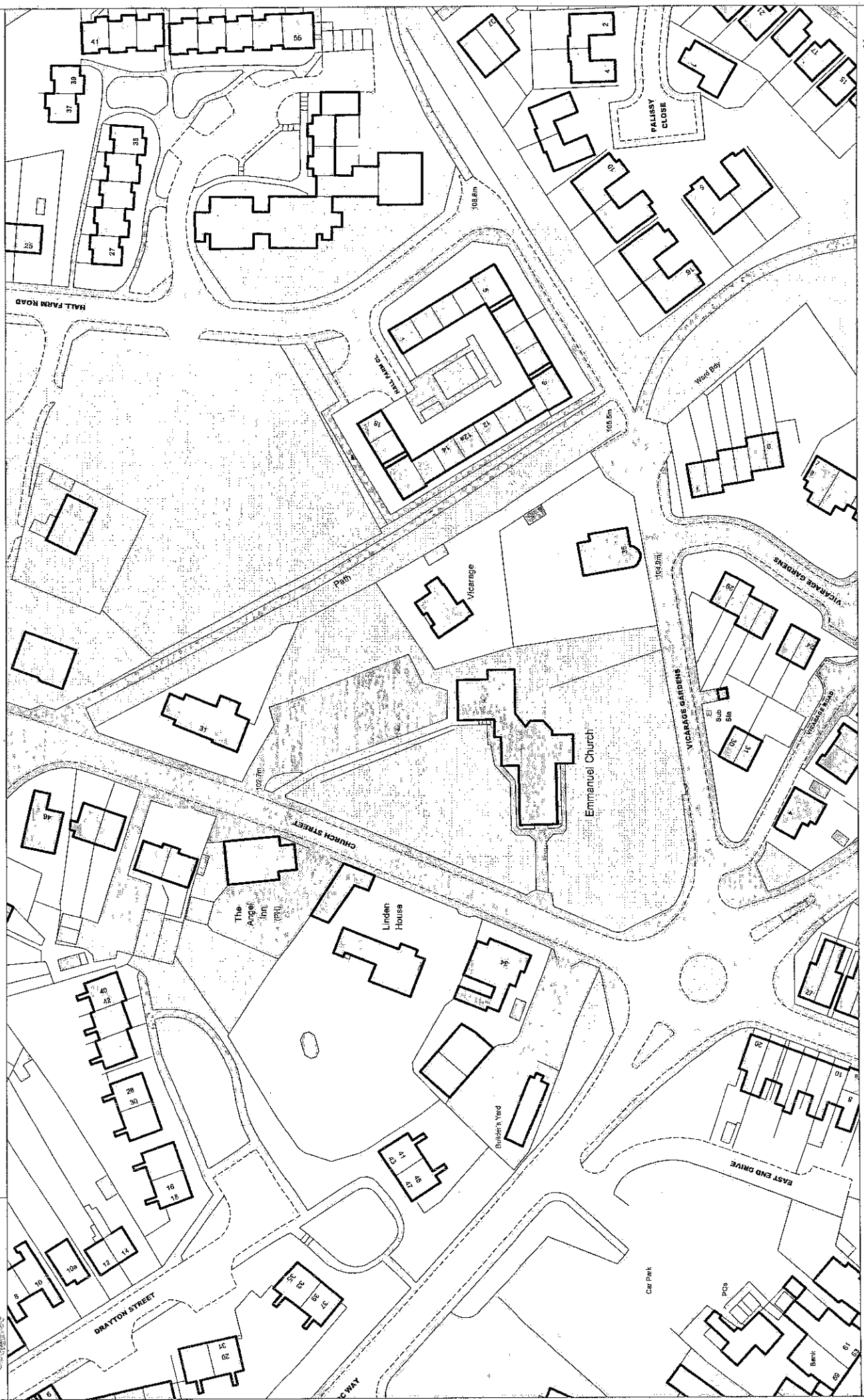
Wednesday 4th July 2012

Emmanuel Church Hall,
Church Street
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South Derbyshire Changing for the better



Swadlincote Area Forum (Emmanuel Church, Church Street)



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FORTHCOMING MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL

Unless stated otherwise, all meetings will be held at the Council's Civic Offices and will start at 6.00 p.m.

Environmental and Development Services	Thursday, 31st May 2012
Planning	Thursday, 7th June 2012
Housing and Community Services	Thursday 14th June 2012
Audit Sub <i>(starts at 4.00 p.m.)</i>	Wednesday, 20th June 2012
Finance and Management	Thursday, 21st June 2012
Planning	Tuesday, 26th June 2012
Overview and Scrutiny	Wednesday, 27th June 2012
Finance and Management (Special – Final Accounts)	Thursday, 28th June 2012
COUNCIL	Thursday, 5th July 2012
Planning	Tuesday, 17th July 2012
Planning	Tuesday, 7th August 2012
Environmental and Development Services	Thursday, 23rd August 2012
Planning	Tuesday, 28th August 2012
Housing and Community Services	Thursday, 30th August 2012
Finance and Management	Thursday, 6th September 2012
Overview and Scrutiny	Wednesday, 12th September 2012
Planning	Tuesday, 18th September 2012
Audit Sub <i>(starts at 4.00 p.m.)</i>	Wednesday, 26th September 2012
COUNCIL	Thursday, 27th September 2012
Environmental and Development Services	Thursday, 4th October 2012
Planning	Tuesday, 9th October 2012
Housing and Community Services	Thursday, 11th October 2012
Finance and Management	Thursday, 18th October 2012
Overview and Scrutiny	Wednesday, 24th October 2012
Planning	Tuesday, 30th October 2012
COUNCIL	Thursday, 1st November 2012



AGENDA

CENTRAL SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUP - AREA 4

6.15 pm, Wednesday 4th July, 2012
The Emmanuel Church Hall

(Light refreshments will be served from 5.45 pm)

1. Chair's introduction, Apologies
2. Minutes of last Meeting (to be agreed) and update on actions
3. Safer Neighbourhoods Sergeant's Overview /Priorities Update
4. Question and Answer Surgery
5. Agreed Priorities
6. Partnership Update / Funding / New project ideas
7. Any Other Business
- 7.1 Vice Chair nominations

Meeting close (7.15 pm) and date of next meeting

AREA 4 - CENTRAL SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUP

Present	Date of Meeting	Venue
<p>Chris Smith (SSDP); Phil Marriott (SSDP); Sgt Jim Thompson; PC James Magee; PC Dan Leedham; PCSO Adrian Miller; M A Hunt; Linda Pardner (SDDC); David Bird; Collin Dobson; Cllr Mike Lacey; Cllr Gill Farrington; B & K A Wood; Dave King; M Lunn; K Dicken; J McCarthy; C Marson; L Rogers; D Redfern; Alan Jones; Cllr Peter Smith; R Thomas; Cllr Mick Mulgrew; Cllr Yvonne Heath; Chris Gillespie; Eric Lumis; Maureen Mycock; Steve Yates (SDDC); Ruth Buttery; H D Harrison; Cllr Ben Stuart;</p> <p>Also Present: Sarah Winfield - Clerk</p>	<p>Tuesday 24th April 2012 at 6.15 pm</p>	<p>Sharpe's Pottery Museum, Swadlincote</p>

Action
<p>1 Chair's Introduction, Apologies Cllr Ben Stuart chaired the meeting in the absence of Joan Lane. Cllr Stuart introduced all members of the top table. Apologies were received from Sue Orme; Cllr Gordon Rhind; Cllr Trevor Southerd; Cllr Neil Tilley; Cllr Steve Taylor; Jenny Burley; Dan Shuttleworth; Nancy Parry and Mick Knowles.</p>
<p>2 Minutes of last meeting (to be agreed) The minutes were agreed as a true record of the last meeting. P2 – Moira Rd HGV's – Resident raised that incorrect signage was misleading P3 – Chris Smith confirmed that an update on the Skate Park would be discussed later in the meeting.</p>
<p>3 Safer Neighbourhoods Sergeant's Overview / Priorities Update Sgt Thompson ran through crime figures for the previous 12 months up to 31st March 2012, compared with the same period last year. Overall crime had reduced by 12%. Assaults reduced by 27 crimes Robbery reduced by 5 crimes</p>

Dwelling burglaries reduced by 16 crimes
Other burglaries reduced by 8 crimes
Theft of vehicles increased by 6 crimes
Theft from vehicles reduced by 13 crimes
Criminal damage reduced by 112 crimes
Other crime increased by 7 crimes
Other thefts reduced by 2 crimes
ASB calls to service reduced by 5% with 72 fewer calls.

Metal thefts – one person arrested in Newhall and sentenced for 9 months.
One person arrested for drink driving.
Arrests made for lead and battery thefts
Seven drivers arrested for using tannoys and two scrap dealers had their vehicle confiscated for having no insurance.

PC Dan Needham gave an update on skateboarders and bikes in the town centre.

- Youths were not utilising the skate park as it wasn't lit at night and some of the facilities were in need of repair.
- Nuisance youths had been causing a problem around McDonalds. A CCTV camera has been installed, which is working in conjunction with McDonalds CCTV.
- The lift at Morrisons has been awaiting a part in order to be fixed. Vandalism is occurring at the lift but this isn't being reported to Police.
- Police have increased patrols around Eureka Park following reports of people drinking and littering.

PC Magee gave an update on Woodville.

- Police have increased patrols around Manchester Lane following reports of drug dealing but no evidence of this has been found.
- Section 59 warnings have been issued in Goseley for nuisance scooters. There has also been a fire on the play area. One male charged for damaging vehicles. The Youth Liberation Day recently held at Goseley Community Centre was a big success.
- Plans are to role out Ozbox across the area and football sessions will commence on 5th May at Goseley Community Centre.

	<p>PCSO Adrian Miller gave an update on Church Gresley.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youths had been gathering around warden controlled properties in Unity Close, off Church Street. Complaints were received for littering, loud noise and drinking alcohol. Four young people have been spoken to and letters sent out to parents. No repeat incidents have been reported. A residents meeting has been arranged in order to discuss home security. • Two arrests have been made for thefts from insecure vehicles. <p>Update on priorities HGV's</p> <p>A total of 12 HGV operations have been carried out since the last meeting including Moira Road, Coppice Side and Church Street in Gresley with one fixed penalty notice issued for speeding. Police teamed up with Trading Standards for 2 days and issued two fixed penalty notices and two drivers advised. The speed gun was also utilised on these operations. Sgt Thompson discussed a booklet containing photographs of various vehicles to demonstrate how deceptive it is to identify whether they are over the size limit or not.</p> <p>Scrap collectors</p> <p>Police have stopped vehicles and performed routine checks on licences, vehicles and documentation. Certain vehicles have had their contents emptied and photographed. PCSO's have been patrolling and advising residents of recent thefts of catalytic converters. Officers have been working late shifts and stopping any suspect vehicles in the evening. PC Dave Walker has been working closely with scrap yards. These thefts have ceased over the last week.</p>
<p>4</p>	<p>Question and Answer Surgery (timed for 30 minutes)</p> <p>4.1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A representative of the GAP project raised that youths, who would like to use the Swadlincote skate park and live in Woodville, have to travel to Shobnall due to the lack of lighting and poor facilities. Chris Smith confirmed that a quotation for lighting had been obtained and this work should be done before the dark nights. Some of the ramps are worn and metal strips have been taken. A contractor has been instructed to carry out repairs to these ramps. There is also a strip of land next to the skate park, which is being looked at to develop into a BMX and scooter area. A consultation event is to be held on 21st May from 4 pm to 6 pm where ideas from the young people will be welcomed. This will be a long term project. <p>4.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Mulgrew raised that Coppice Side residents are concerned over speeding and dangerous traffic issues. Some residents struggle to even get out of their own drives. Cllr Mulgrew was advised to raise these issues at the following Council Forum.

4.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was requested that Morrisons supermarket close their main gate when the shop is closed. The supermarket are happy to do this but would need to re-open the gate for the night deliveries at 1 am. 	Sgt Thompson to liaise with Morrisons to have the main gate closed.
4.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents in Woodville raised that recently they had suffered ASB but there was a lack of Police presence. Sgt Thompson confirmed he was fully aware of issues and has personally spoken to families. Officers do patrol regularly but are not always seen by residents. 	
4.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Speedwatch requires 10 volunteers to be trained to use the equipment. Once the area has been agreed with the Police then the community speedwatch can commence. An officer can go out with a speed gun once the operation has finished. 	
4.6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clir Peter Smith raised issues with Gravel Pit Hill at Hartshorne where a barrier had been removed by DCC. Incidents had been reported in on six occasions but was later advised that no record of these incidents existed with the Police. Sgt Thompson confirmed that every call received generates an incident record. 	Sgt Thompson to look into why incident records not generated for Gravel Pit Hill and Excelsior Drive.
4.7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Woodville resident raised that parking along the High Street was getting dangerous. The pavement opposite Tesco's was regularly blocked with traffic and delivery lorries for Tesco's. Resident had contacted the Police 7 times concerning parking. 40 minute parking restrictions were not being adhered to and these issues stretched from Jaspers news to the Clock Island. 	
5	<p>Agreed Priorities</p> <p>HGV's and scrap metal collectors Woodville High Street and recreation ground</p>	
6	<p>Partnership Update / Funding / New Project ideas</p> <p>On 17th May a property marking operation will be held at the business park in Hilton, where catalytic converters will be engraved with a registration number and post code. Number plate security screws will also be available at this event.</p> <p>£4,000 would again be available for funded projects.</p>	
7	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>Nominations were requested for Vice Chair. Forms available at the meeting.</p>	
8	<p>Date of next meeting</p> <p>Wednesday 4th July 2012 at The Emmanuel Church Hall.</p>	

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AREA FORUM SWADLINCOTE

(Covering Church Gresley, Swadlincote, Woodville, Hartshorne Village and Goseley)

**Meeting to be held at;
The Emmanuel Church Hall
Church Street
Swadlincote
DE11 8LF**

**on Wednesday, 4th July 2012
at 7.30 p.m.**

Members:

District Councillors: Councillor Taylor (Chairman), and Councillors Bell, Mrs. Heath, Mulgrew, Murray, Rhind, Southerd, Stuart and Tilley.

County Councillors: Councillors Mrs. Farrington, Jones and Murray.

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AGENDA

1. To note the appointment of the Chairman.
2. Apologies for absence.
3. To appoint a Vice-Chairman of the Area Forum.
4. Declarations of Interest.
5. Chairman's Announcements.
6. To note the Minutes of the Meeting held on 24th April 2012 (copy attached).
7. Report back on issues raised at the last Meeting.
8. Public questions on issues raised by residents.
9. County Council issues.
10. District Council issues.
 - Dog Control Order Consultation
11. Date of Next Meeting.



SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AREA FORUM

SWADLINCOTE

24th April 2012

PRESENT:-

District Council Representatives

Councillor Taylor (Chairman) and Councillors Mrs. Heath, Mulgrew, Southerd, Stuart and Tilley (Vice-Chairman).

B. Ledger (Head of Housing and Environmental Services) and D. Townsend (Democratic Services Officer).

Derbyshire County Council Representatives

Councillor Mrs. Farrington.

P. Jameson (Forum Liaison Officer).

Parish Council/Meeting Representatives

M. Mycock and P. Smith (Hartshorne Parish Council) and C. Gillespie (Woodville Parish Council)

In attendance

Councillor Lacey (Derbyshire County Council).

Members of the Public

D. Bird, M.G. Brotherhood, K. Dicken, C. Dobson, R. Causer, C. Horridge, S. Horridge, J. Hough, K. Hough, H. Cleft (Burton Mail) J. McCarthy, D. Morris, M. Shepherd, R. Thomas and P. Yates.

SA/27. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence from the Meeting were received from Councillors Bell and Rhind (Labour Group).

SA/28. **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chairman announced that South Derbyshire District Council had issued a recycling survey, which had been distributed. A new recycling contract was due to begin in 2013, and the District Council was attempting to get people's views on this matter, for input into the contract.

SA/29. **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Swadlincote Area Forum held on 24th January 2012 were noted, subject to an amendment to SA/23, paragraph 1, in which the Chairman requested that it be recorded that a senior officer from Derbyshire County Council had been asked to attend the Area Forum with regard to this matter.

SA/30. **REPORT BACK ON ISSUES RAISED AT THE LAST MEETING**

It was reported that the road markings on George Street had now been completed.

With regard to the Burton Road crossing, the Chairman asked that it be recorded that he was very disappointed that a senior Derbyshire County Council Officer had not attended this meeting. He reported that he would raise this matter with the Chief Executive of South Derbyshire District Council. Members also added that they shared the disappointment of the Chairman, and considered that, as the District Council provided senior officers at the Forum Meetings, the County Council should do the same. The Chairman requested that Derbyshire County Councillors take this feedback back to the County Council. The Forum Liaison Officer responded that he had requested a senior officer to attend to discuss Wilmot Road, however he had not asked for a Legal Officer to attend regarding the Burton Road matter. He stated that officers from Legal Services and Development Control would provide him with progress reports when appropriate, which he would pass on to the Area Forum. In addition, Councillor Farrington added that she would also undertake to request someone attend a future Meeting.

The Forum Liaison Officer advised that with regard to the Wilmot Road crossing, an Officer from Derbyshire County Council had arranged a Meeting with the Local County Council Member, Councillor Jones. He added that although he had asked for a Senior Officer to attend the Area Forum, Derbyshire County Council had a policy of only allowing Highways Officers to attend Community Forums where there was a significant and technically complex issue to be discussed that only a Highways Officer could explain. In the case of the Wilmot Road issue, it was felt that attendance by a Senior Highways Officer was not warranted. The Forum Liaison Officer agreed to report any further updates when available. Councillor Southerd responded that although he was unhappy with the response, he would like to be involved in the Meeting of the Highways Officer and Councillor Jones, along with other District Ward Members, including Councillors Rhind and Stuart.

In response to the issue of the Coppice Side footway, the Forum Liaison Officer reported that it had been inspected, and, although it was noted that the footway was narrow, there had been no history of safety issues, so it was unlikely for any work to be completed in this area.

It was reported that a further manhole cover was now missing on Coppice Side.

The Forum Liaison Officer agreed to look into this matter, and report back to a future Meeting.

With regard to traffic management issues on Coppice Side, including pedestrians accessing the new retail park, the Forum Liaison Officer reported that Traffic Officers were in South Derbyshire regularly and this area would continue to be monitored.

The Head of Housing and Environmental Services reported that the contract was about to be let for the work required on the property on George Street.

This work would commence on 7th May and be completed within 6 weeks.

With regard to the car park and footpath adjacent to Rink Way, the Head of Housing and Environmental Services reported that this was due to be reworked with additional ramps and white lines being installed. In addition, bollards would be constructed to stop vehicles accessing the footpath, and there would be a turning head put into the car park. These works were due to commence within 4 to 6 weeks.

With regard to car parking in Swadlincote, the Head of Housing and Environmental Services reported that the District Council had carried out a survey, which had identified pressure on parking in the Town Centre, particularly in the morning. A full report was due to be submitted to Members in the near future. It was also hoped that the old Co-op/Somerfield site would be re-let shortly, and that the car park at this site be reopened.

It was asked if the car park, which had been converted from the indoor market, could be opened on a Saturday. It was also asked if this car park was being fully utilised by Council employees. The Head of Housing and Environmental Services reported that negotiations were under way which sought to extend the opening hours of the car park.

It was agreed to provide a further response to the next Meeting.

It was also confirmed that the yard adjacent to the Royal Mail office was very small, and where possible was being utilised by employees.

SA/31. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

It was reported that the Moira Road weight limit signs needed moving.
The Forum Liaison Officer agreed to look into this matter.

A resident was concerned that, as the chemist was relocating from High Street to Burton Road, Woodville, there would not be enough car parking spaces in this vicinity, and crossing facilities were inadequate for the increased number of pedestrians. The Chairman responded that Derbyshire County Council be asked to consider pedestrian access in this area.

It was agreed that the Forum Liaison Officer look into this matter and report back to a future Meeting.

It was reported that there were issues with Woodville High Street as there was a lack of traffic infrastructure to support development in this area. The Chairman responded that it was an aspiration that a road between Occupation Lane and Swadlincote road be completed, which would help relieve this problem.

It was reported that some of the edging slabs on the Delph had spalled and needed replacing.

It was agreed to look into this and report back to the next Meeting.

It was asked if there were any plans to open the public footpath at Rose Hill.
The Forum Liaison Officer agreed to respond to this matter at the next Meeting.

It was reported that a new road had been discussed between Woodville by-pass and Bretby since 1978. There was still space for this road, and it was felt that residents and Members should be campaigning for this to be completed.

A resident asked what the cost of the reinstatement of Coppice Side was. The Forum Liaison Officer responded that he had written to the resident concerned and informed him that he could not provide this figure. The resident was advised that if he needed further information, he would need to issue a Freedom of Information request.

It was reported that many areas within Swadlincote needed white lines reinstating, and an example was given of Oak Street, where it crossed Hall Street in Church Gresley. There had also been two minor accidents in this area. It was felt that a review of line markings across the District was required.

It was reported that the old Swadlincote Tram Station, which was behind the Fire Station was in a very bad state and asked if this could be preserved.

It was agreed to report back on this matter at the next Meeting.

It was asked if 2 large fields which were adjacent to Thorpe Down's estate were being considered for housing development as people had been seen measuring them up. It was felt that these should be kept as green field sites. The Chairman responded that he wasn't able to talk about this matter as it may be subject to a planning application. However, he agreed to respond directly to the resident if he became aware of any matter in the future.

It was reported that the scrap merchant yard at Woodville was causing excess noise and requested that this be looked into. The Chairman responded that if there was a noise issue it would need to be reported to the Environment Agency who licensed this operation.

SA/32. **COUNTY COUNCIL ISSUES**

The Forum Liaison Officer advised that he had brought weight restriction monitoring forms as requested at the previous Meeting, and they were also available via the website.

SA/33. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next Meeting would be confirmed in due course.

S. TAYLOR

CHAIRMAN

The Meeting terminated at 8.45 p.m.

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4th July 2012

REPORT BACK ON ISSUES RAISED AT THE LAST MEETING

At the last meeting held on 24th April 2012, a number of issues were raised. These issues are listed below, together with progress made:-

1. MANHOLE COVER – COPPICE SIDE

Officers from the area's Rapid Response Team attended site on 30th April 2012 and made the area safe, The matter has subsequently been reported to Severn Trent Water, requesting that they carry out more permanent repairs.

2. PEDESTRIAN ACCESS TO THE NEW RETAIL PARK

Investigations have been carried out on site by an officer from the area's Traffic & Safety Team, who has advised that there is no problem with visibility as pedestrians have a clear view of approaching traffic. The volume of pedestrians crossing appears to be quite low and so there are no proposals to provide any further improvements at this time.

3. ROAD MARKINGS – MORRISONS ROUNDABOUT

The road markings at this roundabout are currently being refurbished.

4. MOIRA ROAD WEIGHT LIMIT SIGNS

Instructions have been issued to have the redundant signs removed.

5. OAK STREET / HALL STREET JUNCTION MARKINGS

White lines have been re-instated in this area.

6. CROSSING FACILITIES AT WOODVILLE SURGERY

Enquiries with DCC's Traffic & Safety Team have concluded that there are no plans at this time in regard to additional crossing facilities at this location. However, if pedestrian crossing numbers rise, the situation will be reconsidered.

7. FOOTPATH – ROSE HILL, WOODVILLE

Enquiries are being carried out with Derbyshire County Council's Rights of Way Team. An update will be provided to the forum in due course.

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8. CAR PARKING

South Derbyshire District Council staff have been requested to use this car park as their first option. It is currently only available Monday to Friday.

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9. EDGING SLABS ON THE DELPH

This area is being observed. The areas concerned are small and are not posing any hazards at present. The stone is soundly layed and stable. Over time, the natural granite and sandstone materials are expected to weather and age and develop character. The situation will continue to be monitored

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10. SWADLINCOTE TRAM STATION

Swadlincote Station has no form of protection, as it is neither listed nor in a conservation area, and there are no grounds for protection in either of these instances. Unfortunately, in this case we have no grounds to intervene.

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