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**Safer Neighbourhood  
Area 1 - North West  
(6.15 pm - 7.15 pm)**

**Interval with light  
refreshments 7.15 - 7.30 pm**

**and**

**Etwall Area Forum  
(7.30 pm - 8.30 pm)**

**Wednesday  
4<sup>th</sup> June 2014**

***Egginton Memorial Hall  
Egginton  
DE65 6HP***

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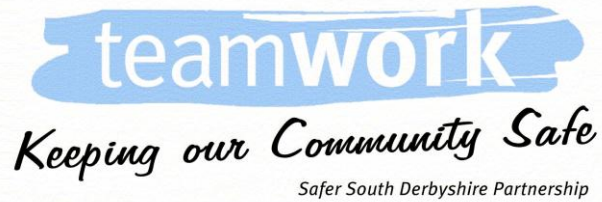


# COMMITTEE AND COUNCIL MEETINGS 2014/15

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Date</u>
Planning	Tuesday 3rd June, 2014
Environmental and Development Services	Thursday, 5th June 2014
Housing and Community Services	Thursday, 12th June 2014
Audit Sub	Wednesday, 18th June 2014
Finance and Management	Thursday, 19th June 2014
Planning	Tuesday, 24th June 2014
Overview and Scrutiny	Wednesday, 25th June 2014
Finance and Management (Special – Final Accounts)	Thursday, 26th June 2014
COUNCIL	Thursday, 3rd July 2014
Planning	Tuesday, 15th July 2014
Planning	Tuesday, 5th August 2014
Environmental and Development Services	Thursday, 21st August 2014
Planning	Tuesday, 26th August 2014
Housing and Community Services	Thursday, 28th August 2014
Finance and Management	Thursday, 4th September 2014
Overview and Scrutiny	Wednesday, 10th September 2014
Planning	Tuesday, 16th September 2014
Audit Sub	Wednesday, 24th September 2014
Finance and Management (Special – Final Accounts)	Thursday, 25 <sup>th</sup> September 2014
COUNCIL	Thursday, 25th September 2014
Environmental and Development Services	Thursday, 2nd October 2014
Planning	Tuesday, 7th October 2014
Housing and Community Services	Thursday, 9th October 2014
Finance and Management	Thursday, 16th October 2014
Overview and Scrutiny	Wednesday, 22nd October 2014
Planning	Tuesday, 28th October 2014
COUNCIL	Thursday, 6th November 2014
Planning	Tuesday, 18th November 2014
Environmental and Development Services	Thursday, 20th November 2014
Housing and Community Services	Thursday, 27th November 2014
Finance and Management	Thursday, 4th December 2014
Overview and Scrutiny	Wednesday, 10th December 2014
Planning	Tuesday, 16th December 2014
Audit Sub	Wednesday, 17th December 2014

**Committee****Date**

Environmental and Development Services (Special – Budget)	Thursday, 8th January 2015
Housing and Community Services (Special – Budget)	Tuesday, 13th January 2015
Finance and Management (Special – Budget)	Thursday, 15th January 2015
Planning	Tuesday, 20th January 2015
Overview and Scrutiny	Wednesday, 21st January 2015
COUNCIL	Thursday, 22nd January 2015
Finance and Management (Special – NNDR)	Monday, 26th January 2015
Environmental and Development Services	Thursday, 29th January 2015
Housing and Community Services	Thursday, 5th February 2015
Planning	Tuesday, 10th February 2015
Overview and Scrutiny	Wednesday, 11th February 2015
Audit Sub	Wednesday, 18th February 2015
Finance and Management	Thursday, 19th February 2015
COUNCIL	Monday, 2nd March 2015
Planning	Tuesday, 3rd March 2015
Environmental and Development Services	Thursday, 5th March 2015
Housing and Community Services	Thursday, 12th March 2015
Finance and Management	Thursday, 19th March 2015
Planning	Tuesday, 24th March 2015
Overview and Scrutiny	Wednesday, 25th March 2015
Audit Sub	Wednesday, 1st April 2015
COUNCIL	Thursday, 2nd April 2015
Environmental and Development Services	Thursday, 9th April 2015
Planning	Tuesday, 14th April 2015
Housing and Community Services	Thursday, 16th April 2015
Finance and Management	Thursday, 23rd April 2015
Planning	Tuesday, 12th May 2015
Overview and Scrutiny	Wednesday, 13th May 2015
Finance and Management (Special – Provisional budget out-turn)	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May 2015
ANNUAL COUNCIL	Thursday, 21st May 2015
CIVIC COUNCIL	Thursday, 28th May 2015



## **AGENDA**

### **SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUP - AREA 1**

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2014 at 6.15 pm**  
**at Egginton Memorial Hall**

**(Light refreshments will be served between 7.15 and 7.30 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. Partnership Update / Funding / New project ideas
5. Local issues – open forum (20 minutes)
6. Agreed Priorities
7. Date of next meeting

Meeting close (7.15 pm)

**AREA 1 - NORTH WEST SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUP**

<b>Present</b>	<b>Date of Meeting</b>	<b>Venue</b>
<p>Liz Kolkman (Chair); Sgt Steve Todd; PC Durham; PC Parry; PCSO Waite; PCSO Barratt; PC Lomas; M Yarnold; Alan Jenner; Norman Ireland; Cllr Andy Roberts; Bill Morley; Chris Sainsbury; Tony Beresford; Tim Day; Andy Billings; Steve Cooper; Cllr John Lemmon; Cllr Amy Plenderleith; Brian Myring; Denise Mellors; Cheryl Pidgeon; Cllr Julie Patten; Cllr Lisa Brown; Ian Bennett; Susan Nesbitt; Miles Nesbitt; M Pateman; G Nichols; R G Brooks; C L Bore</p> <p>Also present: Chris Smith</p>	<p>Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2014</p>	<p>John Port School Etwall</p>

<b>1</b>	<b>Chair's Introduction, Apologies</b>	<b>Action</b>
	<p>Liz Kolkman welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made from the panel.</p> <p>Apologies were received from Barry Payton; Cllr Martyn Ford; Chris Hall</p>	
	<p><b>2 Minutes of last meeting (to be agreed) and update on actions</b></p> <p>The minutes of the last meeting were agreed as a true record.</p>	
	<p><b>3 Safer Neighbourhood Sergeant's Overview / Priorities Update</b></p> <p>Sgt Todd updated the group on staffing changes within the SNT team:</p> <p>PCSO Kelly Barratt and PC Mark Parry have joined the team. This meets the needs of the area better, with two Police Officers and two PCSO's now covering the area. All the team work 8 am – midnight shifts.</p> <p>No priorities were set at the last meeting but the team have been delivering drugs education in schools as part of operation Bonnington.</p> <p>PC Lomas was introduced and updated the group with work currently taking place in John Port School with drug education specifically on volatile substances and cannabis use. They have also delivered sessions at High Grange School on fire Safety and internet safety.</p> <p>Pubwatch has been set up in the Dove Valley area for the local premises and Kelly Barrett will be leading on this.</p> <p>There is an area forecourt watch which aims to reduce petrol thefts up and running</p> <p>Sgt Todd updated the group with the latest crime statistics:            Dwelling burglaries have remained the same. ASB has increased by 36 more calls to service year to date, which equates to a 15% increase.            Year to date; All Crime Grand-Total up 75 crimes or 20.1 %            Positive outcomes total number 131            Sanction detections rate 21.2 % compared to 18.7 % last year,  <b>POSITIVE OUTCOME RATE 29.2 % compared to 26.2 % last year ie up 3.0%</b></p>	

	<p>A discussion was had on the accuracy of the Police Statistics as there had been some media coverage recently on how forces are recording and reporting them. Sgt Todd confirmed that the Police are audited on statistics and Derbyshire do collect and report statistics accurately.</p> <p>A positive outcome can include out of court disposals called restorative disposals, these are usually given for minor offences and involve discussing with the victim a suitable punishment for the offence, It could be to pay for damage or to do some work in the community.</p> <p>PC Lomas explained the different cautions and court orders that young people can face after committing crimes and gave more information on Restorative Disposals. All Restorative Disposals now have a repay element which is where the young offender has to do a community punishment.</p> <p>A recent repay was done at Halloween as a result of an individual starting a fire.</p> <p>.</p>	
<p><b>4 Partnership update / funding / new project ideas</b></p>		
	<p><b><u>Funding update</u></b></p> <p>Chris Smith announced that 2 applications had been received from Area 1 which would be considered via the Big Pot, which is the underspend from all the areas.</p> <p>The application was for goal posts for Hatton Sports FC. Cllr Patten stated that she had already funded this application so the money was not required.</p> <p>The other application was for an extension to the CCTV system at the Mease Pavilion. There had recently been a police car set fire at the location and the police were supportive of the application. The application was for £1017 towards a total cost of £1356. The Chairman asked the group to support the project which was agreed.</p> <p>A resident asked about possibly using the funding for the Egginton Gateway Project – either to move a 30 mph sign moving forward or to erect security fencing by the bridge. Chris Smith agreed to do a site visit with the resident to advise on whether the funding would be suitable for this.</p>	<p>Chris Smith to meet with egginton resident about Gateway project</p>
<p><b>5 Local issues – open forum</b></p>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A resident of Peacroft Court raised issues with parking during the school drop off and pick up times. The residents of Peacroft Court have people drive on the footpath and block the driveways. Parents park on other people’s drives. An ambulance couldn’t get down the road. The road is very narrow streets, its difficult for parents to walk down the footpath. Some residents have been swore at. The resident asked if there is funding available for assisting with this. Sgt Todd stated the matter was not just a police issue and we need to look at a joined up approach. It was raised that the parents can park at village hall. Could access to Peacroft Court be restricted at dropping off/ picking up times. This has recently been done by a council in Scotland. The resident also asked the police if they could advise whether it was classed as obstruction if the parents were parking on the road opposite the driveway which due to the narrow road meant the residents couldn’t get off their drive.</li> <li>• Cllr Patten asked of there had been any accidents at Leathersley Lane at Scropton, the police did confirm that two accidents did occur.</li> </ul>	<p>Chris Smith to arrange a multi-agency meeting with the residents to look at options to reduce parking problems.</p> <p>Police to confirm if this is obstruction</p>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hatton Parish Council raised speeding on Station Road, Hatton. The police advised that monitoring has been done on Station Road and the average speed was 22 mph. It was asked if PC Durham could send the Parish Council confirmation of this. PC Durham stated she already had.</li> <li>• A resident asked what constitutes obstruction – Sgt Todd explained that if you can't get a vehicle ie: ambulance down a road it would be or on pavements if you can't get a buggy down it would be obstruction.</li> <li>• Hilton Parish Council asked if the Partnership still had any Graffiti kits left, Chris Smith advised that they only had the solutions and pastes left which he could have. Etwall NHW stated that they had a kit that he could borrow.</li> <li>• A resident raised that HGV vehicles are parking on the highway verges and causing obstruction to residents at night on the access to Hay Lane, Foston. These Lorries are also keeping their refrigeration units running all night and using the verges as toilets and discarding rubbish.</li> </ul> <p><b>Additional Note</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cllr Patten stated after the meeting had closed that PCSO Waite had contacted her to request that Civil Enforcement Officers patrol Peacroft Court. To-date Cllr Patten has not actioned this request.</li> </ul>	
<b>6</b>	<b>Agreed priorities</b>	
	<p>No SNT Priorities identified  Peacroft Court parking has been identified as a Partnership Issue</p>	
<b>7</b>	<b>Any Other Business / Date of next meeting</b>	
	To be advised.	

## **SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD – NORTH WEST AREA 1 - Useful Contacts**

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### **Chair of Safer Neighbourhood Group**

Liz Kolkman

### **Vice Chair of Safer Neighbourhood Group**

Andy Billings

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### **County Councillor**

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Cllr Martyn Ford	(Etwall & Egginton)	01283 701627	<a href="mailto:martyn.ford@derbyshire.gov.uk">martyn.ford@derbyshire.gov.uk</a>

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### **Safer Neighbourhood Wardens**

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### **Websites/ Social Media:**

Derbyshire Police -	<a href="http://www.derbyshire.police.uk">www.derbyshire.police.uk</a>
Police Area 1 SNT Twitter	<a href="http://www.twitter.com">www.twitter.com</a> - @HiltonEtwallSNT
Crime Statistics for your area -	<a href="http://www.police.uk">www.police.uk</a>
Safer South Derbyshire Partnership –	<a href="http://www.south-derbys.gov.uk/ssdp">www.south-derbys.gov.uk/ssdp</a>
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# SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

## **SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AREA FORUM ETWALL**

(Covering Ash, Barton Blount, Bearwardcote, Burnaston, Church Broughton, Dalbury Lees, Egginton, Etwall, Foston & Scropton, Hatton, Hilton, Hoon, Marston-on-Dove, Osleston & Thurvaston, Radbourne, Sutton-on-the-Hill and Trusley)

**Meeting to be held at: -**

**Egginton Memorial Hall  
Egginton  
DE65 6HP**

**on**

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2014**

**at 7.30 pm**

### Members:

District Councillors: Councillors Bale, Mrs Brown, Lemmon, Mrs Patten, Mrs Plenderleith and Roberts

County Councillors: Councillors Ford and Mrs Patten

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## **BUSINESS**

1. To note the appointment of the Chairman
2. Apologies for absence.
3. Appointment of Vice Chairman
4. Declarations of Interest.
5. Chairman's Announcements.
6. To note the Minutes of the Meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> January 2014 (copy attached).
7. Report back on issues raised at the last Meeting.
8. Public questions on issues raised by residents.
9. Update on Environmental Volunteering  
Kate Allies – Environmental Development Manager
10. County Council issues.  
DCC Broadband Update – Natalie Ward
11. District Council issues  
Ash Dieback Update – Martin Buckley
12. Date of Next Meeting.

SOUTH DERBYSHIRE AREA FORUM

ETWALL

28<sup>th</sup> January 2014 at John Port School

**PRESENT:-**

**District Council Representatives**

Councillors Mrs. Brown (Chairman) and Councillors Roberts; Bale; Lemmon and Mrs Patten

R Ledger (Director of Housing and Environmental Services) & C Smith (Safer Communities Manager).

**Derbyshire County Council Representatives**

Councillor Mrs Patten.

P Jameson (Forum Liaison Officer).

**Parish Council/Meeting Representatives**

R Brooks (Hilton Parish Council); Steve Cooper (Hilton Parish Council); Ian Bennett; Tim Day; N Ireland and D Muller (Etwall Parish Council); M Pateman and G S Nichols (Dalbury Lees Parish Council); M Nesbitt and S Nesbitt (Egginton Parish Council)

**Members of the Public**

B Morley; B Myring; G Wale and C Pidgeon; A Billings; C Bore

EA/18 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors M Ford and Mrs Plenderleith; T Beresford; B Payton

EA/19 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

EA/20 **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Draft Local Plan comments have been collated and currently being considered. Pre-Submission Plan to be consulted on in March through into April. The pre-submission consultation will go to a venue in each of the Area Forum areas for an afternoon/evening drop in session. The Local Plan will be submitted in June with a public examination likely to be in the autumn this year.

**Housing Stock Survey** - The field work is complete, the report is being compiled and should be ready by March. This report, once agreed, will then be used to help formulate our various strategies in relation to our housing stock.

The chairman confirmed the damaged swing was replaced and paid for by SDDC. The cost of replacing the swing was £102.

The location of meetings will be added onto future minutes.

Cllr Brown read from a Derby Evening Telegraph article on the Railhead development.

The Pig farm application is still being assessed by Environment Agency on the waste elements.

EA/21 **MINUTES**

The minutes from the previous meeting were agreed as a true record.

EA/22 **REPORT BACK ON ISSUES RAISED AT THE LAST MEETING**

**Digital Derbyshire** – The Forum Liaison Officer has met up with the Broadband Project Manager, following the request made at the last meeting for a specialist officer to attend to talk about the broadband programme. Following some discussion, it was agreed that she could attend a future meeting of the forum to field questions on the project.

It should be stressed that the Manager is making an exception for the Etwall Area Forum, given the high level of interest the forum has shown in broadband, over a period of time. Unfortunately she was unable to attend tonight's meeting; Tuesday in particular is a day where she will struggle to attend an evening meeting.

The Forum Liaison Officer asked the district to put forward a number of possible dates for the next meeting so that he can discuss them with the Broadband Project Manager and hopefully ensure her attendance at the next forum.

**Gold Card** renewal application forms are no longer on the Council Website; you would now need to contact the Civic Offices.

**Tetra pack recycling** – The Chairman advised that South Derbyshire District Council would hope at some time in the future to widen the range of materials that could be recycled within the doorstep scheme and this may include tetrapaks.

There are currently a number of bring sites where tetrapaks can be recycled. . These centres are located at Linton – Main St, Rink Drive – Swadlincote, Willington – Twyford Road, Hatton – Station Road, Melbourne – High St – Car park and Overseal – Woodville Road

A company called "Requesto" collect the waste. They are based in Kirkby in Ashfield. The material then goes to Recycling UK in Nantwich and finally ends up in Sweden where it is made into plasterboard.

EA/23 **PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON ISSUES RAISED BY RESIDENTS**

It was raised that the amount of space in recycling bins is not adequate. The Chairman gave a response that had been given by SDDC officers; cardboard can be placed at the side of the relevant bin or jammed between the outside wheel and the body of the bin. This acts as an “anchor”.

The Director of Housing and Environmental services stated that the Council are new to recycling and they may not have the perfect answer yet but are looking for the best possible solution to recycling. Complaints on the size of the bins have been low and there has to be a compromise of number of receptacles a households can have. Throughout the 8 year contract the Council will look to increase facilities. The old green bins can be used for overflow of cardboard.

A resident asked about food waste and problem of maggots in the summer, the Director of Housing and Environmental Services confirmed that residents do need to be careful in summertime and advice was given to wrap food waste in paper first.

A resident stated that at a recent meeting at John Port School a planning application had been discussed. At the end of meeting the developer said he was going to approach SDDC to unify the date of the whole matter. He asked if Councillors could support the developer’s request of having all the applications submitted at the same time. The Chairman stated that as Councillors they could not comment on existing planning applications.

A resident asked if the Hackwood farm development was an SDDC issue. Cllr Bale commented that it was only as an adjoining consultee on the current application.

A Hilton Parish Councillor appealed to SDDC planning department about maintaining small areas of open space on development sites which are owned initially by developers. The Director of Housing and Environmental Services stated that Section 106 means the responsibility for such areas now gets passed to District Council. The existing complication is from years ago when this wasn’t included as part of the planning process.

The Safer Communities Manager provided feedback on the parking issue at Chestnut Grove, Etwall on behalf of Cllr Martin Ford who couldn’t attend the meeting. Councillor Ford had visited the location with Simon Tilley from DCC Highways to see if the parking area could be made larger as it’s a safety hazard. It was established that the matter couldn’t be looked at as a parking issue but could be considered as a highway safety issue.

EA/24 **COUNTY COUNCIL ISSUES**

The Forum Liaison Officer stated that the County Council needs to make £157m of cuts to its budgets by 2018 – something they are calling ‘The Derbyshire Challenge’. Their Cabinet has been considering proposals on how they can make these reductions; they are looking to make cuts totalling around £36.7m in the next financial year (2014/15).

Many of the budget reductions being announced will be subject to public consultations. You can visit the 'Derbyshire Challenge' page of their website to find out more and take part in our consultations launching throughout the year – [www.derbyshire.gov.uk/challenge](http://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/challenge).

The Forum liaison officer highlighted two of the consultations currently open. Firstly, are changes to the Mobile Library Service; several options are being considered to make savings to this service which currently costs in the region of £720,000 per year to run. Four options have been put forward. One is to scrap the service completely (which will obviously make a saving of £720,000 per year). A further two options have been put forward which will involve various reductions in the fleet in order to make savings – they currently have a fleet of 10 vehicles; 2 MCV's (maximum capacity vehicles) and 8 standard mobile libraries. A fourth option is to transfer the service over to community based organisations. The consultation started on 13 January and ends 1 March 2014.

Members of the public can visit the 'challenge' webpage to find out more information and complete the online survey. For those without internet access, you can contact Call Derbyshire – 01629 533190 – to find out more.

DCC are also proposing a number of changes to the Adult Care services. The consultation launches today and will run for 12 weeks. Again, more information will be made available via the 'challenge' webpage.

The Chairman stated that the mobile libraries provide a community hub for many people, a 'social service'. The forum agreed that the possible loss of this service is deeply concerning.

A resident commented that there are many more people living in urban areas – who live close to a library – compared to the number of people living in rural areas. For those in urban areas the loss of the mobile library service would not affect them; they may say we should get rid of the service and this could far outweigh the number of responses from rural residents wishing to keep it.

A resident asked if the consultation includes details of where the service is provided – i.e. which villages in the do the mobile libraries currently serve. It would be helpful for residents to have this information so that they know what they are potentially losing.

***Action: Forum Liaison Officer to report back on the library van.***

A concern was raised that the consultation is on-line and broadband is poor in the area.

EA/25 **DISTRICT COUNCIL ISSUES**

The Director of Housing and Environmental services gave an update on the District Council Budget setting Process:



Nationally, there has been a reduction in government funding for local councils since 2010 and this is currently set to continue until 2018. For SDDC this has been approximately £1.25m to date or 20% from where we were in 2010/11 (*net after New Homes Bonus and Business Rates Retention*)

SDDC has been delivering budget savings since 2010 and has had 3 main phases, culminating this year with savings of £320k. Next financial year 2014/15 is ok but need another round to find further savings of up to £300k before this time next year ahead of 2015/16.

No major reductions in mainstream service provision so far – reductions in management and support services, together with general efficiencies have met the shortfall to-date. There has been an increase in services – recycling and capital investment in leisure facilities.

Next year's Council Tax still to be decided – Government offering some support for councils who freeze Council Tax again for a 4<sup>th</sup> year.

Possible future pressures – growth and demand for services – some will be paid for by increased funding but this is not certain.

The Chairman announced that the Council Tree Officer Martin Buckley had hoped to attend this meeting to give an update on the Ash Dieback situation but was unable to make it. He will attend a future meeting.

EA/26 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

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

MRS L BROWN

CHAIRMAN

The Meeting terminated at 7.28pm

## **SOUTH DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

### **ETWALL AREA FORUM**

(Covering Ash, Barton Blount, Bearwardcote, Burnaston, Church Broughton, Dalbury Lees, Egginton, Etwall, Foston & Scropton, Hatton, Hilton, Hoon, Marston-on-Dove, Osleston & Thurvaston, Radbourne, Sutton-on-the-Hill and Trusley)

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2014**

### **REPORT BACK ON ISSUES RAISED AT THE LAST MEETING**

At the last Etwall Area Forum held on 28<sup>th</sup> January 2014 at John Port School, the following issues were raised and a progress report is provided:-

#### **1. CONSULTATION ON CHANGES TO MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE**

Comments from the forum have been passed to the officer responsible for the consultation.

In response to the question regarding the level of service in the Etwall area and whether this information is included in the consultation material:

Phase Two of the consultation on mobile libraries is about to begin (starting 19 May) and will consist of web-based and paper-based versions of an information sheet and questionnaire, to include:

- a) A summary of Phase One survey results
- b) A proposed way forward based on what Phase One respondents told us and
- c) Details of what those future arrangements might be
- d) An opportunity for service users, other residents and organisations to respond to the final proposals.

At this stage we do not think that we can reasonably reproduce the 100 current timetables as an appendix to the proposed questionnaire (the expected print-run is approx. 10,000), mainly due to the amount of paper involved.

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