

## Minutes for Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2019 meeting

Held at Lowton Social Club

Chairman: Ed Thwaite

Councillors: Kath Houlton & James Grundy

No. Attendees: 28

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### 1. **Footpath behind Upwood Road**

It has been reported that Wainhomes have destroyed a public footpath on their building site. This has now been dealt with by Wigan Council and they will have to restore it. If anyone sees public footpath being removed please report it to your local councillors or ring the person below:

Elizabeth Parry (Public Right of Way Officer) 01942 489239

### 2. **Feedback from Meeting with Wigan Planners**

Many issues in the area were discussed, such as St. Marys Community Hall. Section 106 money (money reserved for areas from building/development) has been applied for in order to redo/repair the electrical system.

### 3. **24 Houses at Heath Lane**

The land has been surveyed and it's likely that the planning officers will recommend it to the planning committee.

### 4. **Farmers - East of Atherleigh Way**

Most of the farmers have now written to the Greater Manchester Authority objecting to their land being used in the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework, They are saying they won't sell their land. Andy Burnham and Wigan Council have confirmed that they will not compulsory purchasing the land.

### 5. **Parkside**

St. Helens Council have now started buying houses on Parkside Road. Wigan Council have asked St. Helens Council for evidence that Parkside won't affect the roads in areas of the Wigan Borough (Lowton) and also asked them to prove air pollution levels will be within the legal parameters.

### 6. **Pocket Nook**

The Council have said they will look into widening the footpath on both sides of the junction onto Newton Road, as well as replacing the bollards with a bell bollards, to prevent wagons/lorries from running over the pavement at the junction with Newton Road. They are also going to cut back the hedges to increase visibility and make the pavement wider.

## **7. Diggle Green**

LENDF are attempting to get reporters from both Wigan and Leigh Journals to the next meeting so that residents can share complaints, allowing them to gain press coverage. Please continue to report the smell to the following people [ICS@environment-agency.gov.uk](mailto:ICS@environment-agency.gov.uk) or ring 0800 807 060

David Watson (Director of Environment Warr) – [dwatson@warrington.gov.uk](mailto:dwatson@warrington.gov.uk)  
Paul Barton (Director of Environment Wigan) – [p.barton@wigan.gov.uk](mailto:p.barton@wigan.gov.uk)

## **8. Other Business**

Kenyon Junction – LENDF's chairman and Cllr James Grundy are to meet with Andy Burnham and the owner of the land to look at the reopening of Kenyon Junction.

Winwick Lane – The owners of the land just over Dolly Bridge on the right are building a ménage and horse riding facilities which are in compliance with planning.

## **9. Next Meeting**

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> May