Environmental Hub Liaison Board

Thursday 4th February 2016

Minutes	Action
Present:	
 Cllr Sam Gardner (SG) – Open Spaces Portfolio Holder, Cheshire East Council Cllr Bernice Walmsley (BW) – Middlewich Ward Member, Cheshire East Council 	
 Cllr Simon McGrory (SM) – Middlewich Ward Member, Cheshire East Council 	
 Cllr Michael Parsons (MP) – Middlewich Ward Member, Cheshire East Council 	
 Jonathan Williams (JW) – Town Clerk, Middlewich Town Council Ralph Kemp (RK) - Corporate Manager Commissioning - Waste and 	
Environmental Services, Cheshire East Council	
 Chris Allman (CA) – Programme Manager, Cheshire East Council Vicki Walker (VW) – Project Officer, Cheshire East Council 	
1. Terms of Reference for the group	
The construction phase is likely to be disruptive and will cause further discussion with local residents which needs to be noted. At this time a resident focused group may not be that productive. Ideally would like a planning officer to be a member of this group however they may not be able to attend due to conflicts of interest. Would not stop anyone approaching them directly if required.	
Looking to hold 1 group and decision needed on who we would want to attend the meetings. Possibly 2 residents from nearby homes i.e. Cledford and Booth Lane. Will also look to elect a chair in the first meeting. Would look to invite an additional TC member.	
Frequency of meetings will be provisionally set at 6 weekly intervals with the first meeting to be scheduled for 3 March at 5pm, Middlewich Town Hall.	
ACTION: VW to send schedule of meetings to attendees	vw
AGREED: SM to chair first meeting until a new Chair is elected by the group	
ACTION: RK to speak to planning to assess whether a planning officer could attend these meetings going forward	RK
The vacant area of hardstanding does not have a waste use allocated and there are no plans in place for another use at this stage.	
Need to ensure that the Town Council are kept informed of any communication between the contractor (Wates) and residents going forward. This may also include distribution of a leaflet before construction commences.	
SM requested a copy of the construction and operational timeline for the works on site once available. Concerns were raised regarding the enforcement of the conditions i.e. contractor parking on the street. CA reassured that this will not be case and that the vacant hardstanding will be used as the site compound for parking etc. The Council will also physically enforce this condition.	
ACTION: Ability for others to be invited to the meetings to be added into the	

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7. Date of Next Meeting	
5pm, 3 rd March 2016, Middlewich Town Hall	

