

District Councillors' Reports

Shevington Parish Council Meeting – 28 June 2023

Friends of Stockley Park

A new volunteer group has formed to help take care of the park and drive forward improvements and new projects within the park. The group are looking for volunteers to help with planting, weeding, cutting back grass from paths etc. if anyone is interested please let me know or see the group on Facebook. I am in regular contact with the group and would like to ask the CA if they can support them as they apply for funding etc. Jim has also met with the group to discuss a bench, which we have now agreed on a location for with council officers.

Road Safety Campaign

Councillors have organised a meeting with the public and also with the police and council Deal team where we discussed some measures to tackle issues including speeding and problem parking. I am meeting with the council's Road safety team soon to discuss. We are hoping to get all schools involved in September and want to promote walking to school. Potentially bollards or planters opposite the Shevington shops to deter problematic parking on the yellow lines. Traffic enforcement has been requested. Please report issues via the Wigan Council website.

Waste Amnesty - 3-7 July

Wigan Council will be running a waste amnesty and invite residents to bring unwanted goods to Randall Avenue's hub, where skips will be based during the day. If anyone requires a bulky waste collection, you can book 2 per year for free (up to 5 items) via the Wigan Council website. Also we are arranging a community litter pick on Thu 6th, 11am from Randall Ave if anyone wants to join us. Equipment will be provided.

Speak with the Sarge

The police sergeant Nick Forshaw will be recording some Q&A sessions which will be posted online, so if you have any questions for him please email: nicholas.forshaw@gmp.police.uk

Shevington Well-being Festival

As the CA will be aware, some of our VocalEyes funding was given to Mindful Events CIC to set up this event. Please come along Sun July 2nd from 1pm in the Youth Club, to meet Charlotte and find out more about improving your health and well-being.

Shevington Extra Care facility

As you will have seen, the demolition process is now underway and I asked the council officer Peter Collins about a timescale for the completion of the build. He says that residents should be welcomed into the facility in September/October of 2024. There will be lots of community engagement before this time, so people will be aware of how to apply for the housing – but I will reiterate that this is social housing and it will be allocated on a points-based system that the council uses for all such properties. I would recommend that if any residents enquire about how to apply, they should be referred to the housing team at Wigan Council: <https://www.wigan.gov.uk/Resident/Housing/index.aspx> or 01942 489005. In the shorter term, the next phase of the build to be completed will be the access road between

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the facility and clinic/doctor's surgery, so hopefully this will alleviate some of the parking issues we've seen there.

Cllr Vicky Galligan