

Rossendale Three Tier Forum: Action Sheet

Meeting Date: 11/09/13

Action	Lead Officer	Lead Officer Comments (Including Action Taken)
<p>A request was made for the existing bus shelter on Bank Street in Rawtenstall to be replaced, possibly by relocating a nearby shelter which was not in use. In response Mr Ballantyne undertook to establish which authority was responsible for the shelter in question and to see if anything could be done to improve/replace it.</p>	<p>Harry Ballantyne</p>	<p>Lancashire County Council is responsible for bus stops. However, the bus shelters on Bank Street are supplied by Clear Channel/Adshel under a contract with Rossendale Borough Council and they will respond if there is any damage. As the shelter is not damaged no action will be taken.</p>
<p>With regard to the delay regarding works on Ogden Bridge in Haslingden it was reported that the access arrangements for the temporary bailey bridge which would be in place during the work had been resolved so that hopefully the repairs could commence soon.</p>	<p>David Leung</p>	<p>Officers have now received permission from United Utilities to enter their land to install the temporary bridge. We are currently working with British Telecom to relocate/remove the telegraph poles that are in the way and will shortly be going out to tender for the temporary bridge structure. The temporary bridge structure will be able to accommodate emergency vehicles such as fire engines.</p>
<p>It was noted that discussions were on going with residents regarding the removal of a number of trees in Thornfield Avenue, Rawtenstall, which were causing damage to footways.</p>	<p>Oliver Starkey</p>	<p>The trees in Thornfield Avenue are to remain in place and the footway repairs have now been completed. We have realigned kerbing around the trees to reduce any further impact on the footway. The majority of residents are satisfied with the outcome however there may be complaints from a limited number of residents who want the trees removing.</p>
<p>It was suggested that in future the utility companies be requested to ensure that when works are being done every effort is made to ensure that access is maintained for all pedestrians, including the disabled and those with prams.</p>	<p>Streetworks Regulation & Coordination Team</p>	<p>The Streetworks Regulation & Coordination Team has been made aware of the concerns of the 3TF and already regularly re-enforce this message at their regular meetings with the statutory undertakers. They will do so again.</p>

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<p>It was reported that in Hollin Lane at Constable Lee grids had been covered over with tarmac as part of reinstatement works.</p>	<p>Oliver Starkey</p>	<p>Officers have visited Hollin Lane and could not locate any grids that had been covered over with tarmac. We think that the correct location is Hurst Lane where we have found 1 grid which had been covered. It has now been uncovered and it will shortly be jetted and checked to ensure that it is clear of debris etc.</p>
<p>There was also some concern as to the quality of the work done by contractors in order to reinstate the footway/highway after repair works were complete.. In response Mr Ballantyne undertook to provide members with some further information regarding the expected level/standard of any such works outside of the meeting.</p>	<p>Streetworks Regulation & Coordination Team</p>	<p>Outlined below is a brief overview of the reinstatement procedure.</p> <p>When the utility companies complete the permanent reinstatement of their works they register them on the Streetworks register. This then triggers a two year guarantee period under the regulations of the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991.</p> <p>If within this period the reinstatement fails then the utility companies can be "defected" by the Streetworks authority and the utility companies are obliged to carry out remedial works to bring the reinstatement up to specification.</p> <p>When the remedial works are complete the works are inspected by the Streetworks team and if compliant a new two year guarantee period begins.</p> <p>Defect are identified in two ways:</p> <p>Defects are picked up by the streetworks inspectors' when they are carrying out inspections under the random sample regime 2 defects are reported by members of the public through the Public Enquiry Management System (PEMS), or by County Councillors/Borough Councillors/ Parish Councillors, or other bodies.</p> <p>We receive approximately 30.000 opening notices per year which consist of major, standard, emergency and minor works.</p>

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A request was also made for gully cleaning in Greenfield Street in order to prevent any flooding.	Oliver Starkey	Officers will visit Greenfield Street and will carry out any gully cleaning that is required.
It was suggested that as some hedges in Market Street, Edenfield, were encroaching onto the highway and interfering with gully cleaning residents should be contacted and reminded that any hedges should be kept cut back to the building line.	Oliver Starkey	CC Cheetham has supplied details of specific locations that are currently being investigated and appropriate action will be taken.
Broadway, Helmshore. Cllr Darryl Smith reported that one of the roundels had been vandalised and now looked like 80 rather than the 20.	Oliver Starkey	Remedial work to his will be carried out as part of the revisions to the 20mph area as soon as is practicable.
A question was raised about the Registrars Service in Rossendale and specifically if we had any plans to relocate out of the borough	Steve Lloyd	Steve Lloyd, Head of Registration and Coroners Support Services, has informed me that we deliver a registrars service 2 days a week in Rossendale on an appointment basis and would like to maintain a presence. However, we are in a leased building and we cannot be certain as to the future of that leased building. We also have to take into account the LCC policy about reducing its use of leased buildings. In the event that our current location becomes unavailable we would look to co-locate with another LCC service within the district but it would appear options are limited. If we needed to consider whether we continue to have a presence within the district we would look at all options available to us but in the current climate of budgetary constraints cost would have to be a factor to consider. There have been no discussions about closing the service point in Rawtenstall.

Actions raised by Parish & Town Councils which have been deal with outside of the meeting

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Pot hole on Knowsley Crescent reported for repair	Oliver Starkey	Pothole inspected and listed for repair. PEMS reference number 1139455.
Query about what we could do about poor driving standards of haulage company that operate from the quarry	Oliver Starkey	We will ask the police to pay particular attention to the driving standards of the wagons concerned at the next police liaison meeting
Replacing road marking after work has been carried out on Market Street	Oliver Starkey	All the road markings will be replaced when the road works have been completed at the end of October, 2013.