

Lowton East Neighbourhood Development Forum (LENDF)
Minutes to the meeting held on Monday 12th March 2018 at Lowton Social Club
<http://www.lendf.co.uk>

Chairman - Ed Thwaite
Cllr. Ed Houlton
Apologies - Cllr. Grundy & Cllr. Kath Houlton

No. of attendees = 31

1. Minutes from last meeting:
Not read out at meeting but copies have been sent out by email and posted on Facebook.
2. Parkside:
Objections can still be submitted to St. Helens. A planning application for phase 1 has been submitted. The proposed link road will be needed for phase 2. The present application does not include any mention for a Rail Freight Terminal.
3. Winwick Lane:
Warrington have requested a traffic survey which has delayed the weight limit signs. It may be the end of March before they appear.
4. HS2:
Meeting planned for 22nd March with councillors, LENDF and Wigan Planners together with HS2.
5. HS2 Grants:
Lowton Youth Club could be upgraded using HS2 community grants. Byrom Hall and Lightshaw Hall now belong to HS2.
6. New Housing monies:
Local councillors and LENDF have had a meeting with Lowton St Mary's Community Hall representatives to discuss the possible upgrade using the money received from the local new housing projects. Our councillors will advise Wigan Council as to where money from the local new housing projects are to be distributed in Lowton East.
7. Rochdale Council:
Used a High Court Ban on travellers to move them immediately from sites in their area. Wigan Council is looking into how they did it.
8. New Housing Sites:
Poplars Estate - a wheel cleaner has been installed on the site and the damaged roads have been repaired. Glastonbury Avenue is however full of mud and the road surface is cracked. Local councillors will to continue monitoring.

9. Wigan New Road:

Andy Burnham together with Wigan Council approved a new road for Wigan. It goes from the Westwood Area through to Goose Green to the motorway.

10. Burglars in Wensley Road:

A house has been targeted on Wensley Road, which was broken into in the early hours of the morning with a sustained loss of items. Please be aware!

11. Any other business:

- a) A coloured in map was exhibited at tonight's meeting showing the proposed developments around the East Lancs Road area. Namely, houses in Lowton, units close to the racecourse, Florida Farm and Parkside. The total area is immense and detrimental to the district.
- b) Some footpaths on the Braithwaite Road Estate have been re-surfaced.
- c) Nothing is being done regarding potholes on the local roads. A pothole has to be 40 mm deep before a repair is considered. Please report any potholes to the Council.
- d) Hob Hey Lane - Culcheth - has a 20 mph limit and is enforced by police with cameras. Be aware!
- e) The Carlsberg site in Golborne has been shut. The ex-employees arranged a last day march-out led by a piper. The march appeared on YouTube and has led to job offers from other firms.

Next Meeting - 16th April 2018