

MARPLE NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM NEWS –

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Hello Members and Friends,

Meetings!!!

As previously announced our AGM will be on 15th September. Our official year end is June 30th, so we are now busy preparing accounts and will have all the formal items for the meeting ready well in time. We want to use the time at the AGM to do more consultation and by then we expect a full draft will be ready to be launched for detailed feedback from the community. Before this we'll be using electronic media to carry out a survey, asking participants to answer a number of questions, which will give us data on what people think on a key range of issues.

Market Street Stall

We plan to have our next stall in Marple Market Street Precinct on Saturday 18th August so please come to talk to us then and give us your views.

Key Issues

Whilst we have identified a whole range of things which we think need to be covered in the Plan, there are six which seem to us to be more critical:-

- Do we want another supermarket in Marple?
- What about pedestrian access across Stockport Road and traffic in general?
- Are we doing enough to promote tourism to our area via our industrial heritage?
- Do we want to change the leisure and other amenities in Marple, and how?
- Should we prioritise the opportunities for community hubs around our two stations?
- What should we do about Goyt Mill and what are our options for residential or industrial use?

Stockport Council Fund

For those who are not aware, there is a new fund available from Stockport MBC; 'The Stockport Local Fund'. This fund is for small projects with an individual value of between £200 and £10,000, and which are likely to be completed within the next 12 months. The total funding available is £1 million and community groups and individuals can apply. All the details are on the SMBC website <https://www.stockport.gov.uk/topic/stockport-local-fund>, including the criteria for applications, the application process and the priorities the Council will use for granting the applications. The Fund is now open for applications and could be of interest to our community groups within the Marple/Marple Bridge area, so please pass the word around.

CONTACT US

There is a variety of ways in which you can get in touch or comment on our work. You can get involved by giving your views using one of these: our facebook page, which you should find under "Our Marple Plan"; our website which tells you other ways of contacting us and contributing to the debate about what should be in the Neighbourhood Plan. You can visit our website at ourmarpleplan. You can also contact us by e-mail at info@ourmarpleplan.co.uk. There is a post box in Marple Library where you can leave us written communications in the traditional way.

We welcome your views, opinions, comments and feedback and encourage everyone to get involved. Please mention the Forum to others.