

Making Marple Better - Together

Marple Area Committee Notes

Preamble

Marple Civic Society follows MAC monthly meetings and provides short notes on matters discussed and decisions taken by our elected representatives. These notes are not definitive minutes of the meeting but are intended as a key to matters that may be of interest to members which members can then follow up by watching the now-very-accessible SMBC webcast to obtain the full picture. Any past meeting may be watched section by section and speaker by speaker by going to:

https://stockport.public-i.tv/core/portal/home

where may be found a full library of webcasts.

Details of the planning applications discussed, including all the drawings and documents, may be found on the SMBC website too. To find an application, go to: https://www.stockport.gov.uk/find-planning-applications. Get into 'Find planning applications - Stockport Council'. Press the 'find a planning application' green bar. Type the code noted on the agenda (starting DC) into the empty box at the bottom of the page inviting a keyword etc. Click search to display the application and in the top bar click 'Documents' to find a list of all the drawings, reports and such, which you can open as you wish.

SMBC publish their formal minutes online usually a week or two after the meeting, which we may forward to you if they look interesting.

MARPLE AREA COMMITTEE 22 October 2025

4(i) Chair's Announcements

The only announcements that will be relevant after members see these notes are:

- public consultation on draft Stockport Local Plan 6 Nov 21 Dec. See SMBC website for details (https://www.stockport.gov.uk/landing/stockport-local-plan)
- 3.30pm 3 December (prior to next MAC meeting) there will be a meeting of MAC to discuss the local plan open to all residents, some SMBC officers will be present

4(ii) Neighbourhood Policing

No report available.

4(iii) Public Question Time

One question had been sent in by letter which would receive a written reply. The subject was not disclosed.

4(vi) Ward Flexibility Funding

There were no applications. It was later declared that amounts remaining and available till the end of the financial year were: £2411 for Marple N and £3529 for Marple S

5 Development Applications DC094783 9 Carr Brow, High Lane, Stockport SK6 8EX

An application for change of use from residential dwelling house (use class 3) to a children's care home (use class 2) to accommodate up to 5 children.

This was debated at great length (1hour20minutes+) and seemed to cause councillors some discomfort. The outcome after the protracted and untidy debate was for it to be deferred for inspection by Planning and Highways. The substantive reason for objection to the project was the safeguarding of children in care. The case was put that children placed in this care home on such a busy road and close to the polluting A6 would be put at risk. That there must be many children already living in the same locality and therefore suffering the same risks was raised several times but seemed to gather no attention.

7 A555 & A6 High Lane Junction: No Right Turn and No U Turn signs

Councillors approved the legal advertising of TRO prohibiting a right turn from the A555 westbound lane in a westerly direction on to the A6 and prohibiting a U-turn once cars have turned left from the A555 on to the A6.

8 Etherow Country Park, Romiley: 7.5T weight restriction Temporary Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) was deferred to a later meeting.

9 Park Use Application - Brabyns Park Bonfire & Fireworks Display

Marple Scouts and Girlguiding application to hold their annual fireworks display on 8 November 2025 from 6-8.30pm (access required from 10am) was approved subject to the organiser providing all relevant paperwork 2 weeks prior.

10 Appointment of Councillors at Remembrance Day wreath laying on 9 November:

Cllr Gribbon (Mellor), Cllr Meikle (Marple), Cllr Abell (Compstall)

The chair Cllr Alexander neglected to switch on the microphone for the rest.

The next MAC will be held on 3 December 2025