

## WEST STRATEGIC NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM

**Day:** Thursday  
**Date:** 28 October 2021  
**Time:** 6.30 pm  
**Place:** Zoom

Item No.	AGENDA	Page No
1.	<b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b> To receive any apologies for absence.	
2.	<b>MINUTES</b> To receive the Minutes of the meeting of the West Strategic Neighbourhood Forum held on 25 March 2021.	1 - 4
3.	<b>POLICE/COMMUNITY SAFETY</b> To receive a presentation from the Head of Community Safety and Homelessness.	5 - 20
4.	<b>GROWTH PRIORITIES</b> To receive a presentation from the Assistant Director, Investment, Development and Housing.	21 - 30
5.	<b>ACHIEVEMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR FORUM</b> To receive a presentation from the Director of Place.	

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## WEST STRATEGIC NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM

25 March 2021

**Commenced: 6.30pm**

**Terminated: 7.15pm**

**Present:** Councillors Ward (Chair), Boyle, Cooney, Gwynne, A Holland (Vice-Chair), B Holland, Jones, Martin, Mills, Naylor, Quinn, Ricci, Ryan, M Smith, T Smith and Warrington

**Apologies for absence:** Councillors Newton and Reid

### 11. MINUTES

#### RESOLVED

**The Minutes of the meeting of the West Strategic Neighbourhood Forum held on 21 January 2021 be approved as a correct record.**

### 12. BIG CONVERSATION

The Head of Policy, Performance and Intelligence presented before Members and gave details of current ongoing consultations and engagement exercises as follows:

- Active Tameside;
- Covid Test and Trace;
- Electoral Ward Boundaries and Names;
- Godley Green Garden Village;
- Mental Health Act Reform;
- Health Improvement Service; and
- Dementia Call for Evidence: Black, Caribbean and African Communities in Greater Manchester.

Details of all the above were available on the Tameside website under 'Big Conversation' and everyone was encouraged to take part.

The Head of Policy, Performance and Intelligence further updated on the Census 2021, which had been reported on in detail at the last meeting of the Neighbourhood Forum (meeting of 21 January 2021 refers).

It was explained that although the Census day was 21 March 2021, there was still time to complete it until the end of April 2021. Support was available via support centres throughout the Borough and a slot could be booked by telephoning: 0161 342 2031. Although it was a digital first Census, paper copies were available by contacting the National Helpline on 0800 141 2021.

The importance of maximising the response to the census was emphasised, as it had an influence on funding the Council would receive.

Members thanked the Head of Policy, Performance and Intelligence for a very informative presentation and it was:

#### RESOVLED

**That the content of the presentation, including ongoing consultations and engagement exercises, be noted.**

### 13. COMMUNITY SAFETY NEIGHBOURHOOD STRATEGY

Mr Smith, Partnership Manager, Community Safety and Homelessness, delivered a presentation giving details of ongoing work to identify and address community safety issues and the development of the Community Safety Strategy.

- Community safety issues were outlined and discussed as follows:
- Crime;
- Anti-Social Behaviour;
- Domestic Abuse;
- Child Sexual Exploitation;
- Child Criminal Exploitation;
- Community Cohesion;
- Violence;
- Terrorism/Extremism;
- Road Safety;
- Mental Health;
- Homelessness and Rough Sleeping;
- Social Isolation;
- Drug and Alcohol Misuse;
- Modern Slavery;
- People Trafficking
- Organised Crime;
- Online Safety;
- Fire Safety; and
- Neighbourhood Watch.

It was explained that the Community Safety Strategy would incorporate the themes of the GM Police and Crime Plan – Standing Together, set priorities around the local needs of the community and address emerging issues.

The five key priorities of the Community Safety Strategy were detailed as follows:

- Building stronger communities;
- Preventing and reducing violent crime, knife crime & domestic abuse;
- Preventing and reducing crime & anti-social behaviour;
- Preventing and reducing the harm caused by drugs & alcohol; and
- Protecting vulnerable people and those at risk of exploitation.

It was further explained that the overarching objective of the Community Safety Strategy was 'Building Stronger Communities' to make Tameside a safer place to live, study, work and visit. To achieve this objective the Local Authority and Greater Manchester Police would work in partnership through a joint Neighbourhood Strategy focussing on local needs/priorities.

Information was also given in respect of Independent Advisory Groups (IAG), developed nationally by police forces and police authorities to provide independent advice in understanding the role and impact of the police in diverse communities. In Tameside, this was being done in a more co-operative way, establishing an IAG for the Community Safety Partnership as a whole. This recognised the way in which a range of partner organisations in the Borough worked together and with local people, to create safer communities and build good community relations. Members were advised that the Tameside IAG was formed in February 2020, just before the Covid-19 pandemic restrictions began. The group was diverse in its membership with members from all faith groups, the voluntary sector, community groups and charitable organisations. The group had been meeting online every week.

Mr Smith commented on the rise of anti-social behaviour complaints since the onset of the Pandemic and the subsequent increase in demand on the service, particularly around neighbour disputes.



Details were given of some of the 321 complaints received since 23 March 2020, including two injunctions served by the courts and a closure order on an AirBNB property in Droylsden.

In respect of Neighbourhood Watch, it was reported that there were currently 59 schemes registered in Tameside across the 9 townships. Neighbourhood Watch provided an excellent route in to Active Citizenship, an ethos that was promoted through the Community Safety Strategy.

With regard to the Youth Service, Members were advised that, despite the closure of Youth Centres due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the youth service had remained operational and continued to deliver in communities. The Youth Service were dynamic in their approach when responding to the pandemic. Moving to street-based and outreach delivery of their service, they were able to continue to engage, support and reassure young people in communities. The outreach work was continuous from March 2020 – November 2020. A feat matched by only one other borough in the Greater Manchester region. As restrictions eased, four of the borough's Youth Centres opened, with outreach work continuing to date.

Members thanked Mr Smith for a very full and informative presentation and sought clarification in respect of anti-social behaviour issues highlighted and asked for further details in respect of any habitual/repeat offenders of instances of noise complaints and how effective the deterrents were. They further commented on the closure order on the AirBNB property.

Members further thanked the Youth Service for their excellent work throughout the pandemic.

#### **RESOLVED**

**That the content of the presentation be noted.**

**CHAIR**

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# Community Safety Partnership

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## GMP Tameside West Neighbourhood Strategy 2021 -2023

# Tameside Community Safety Strategy

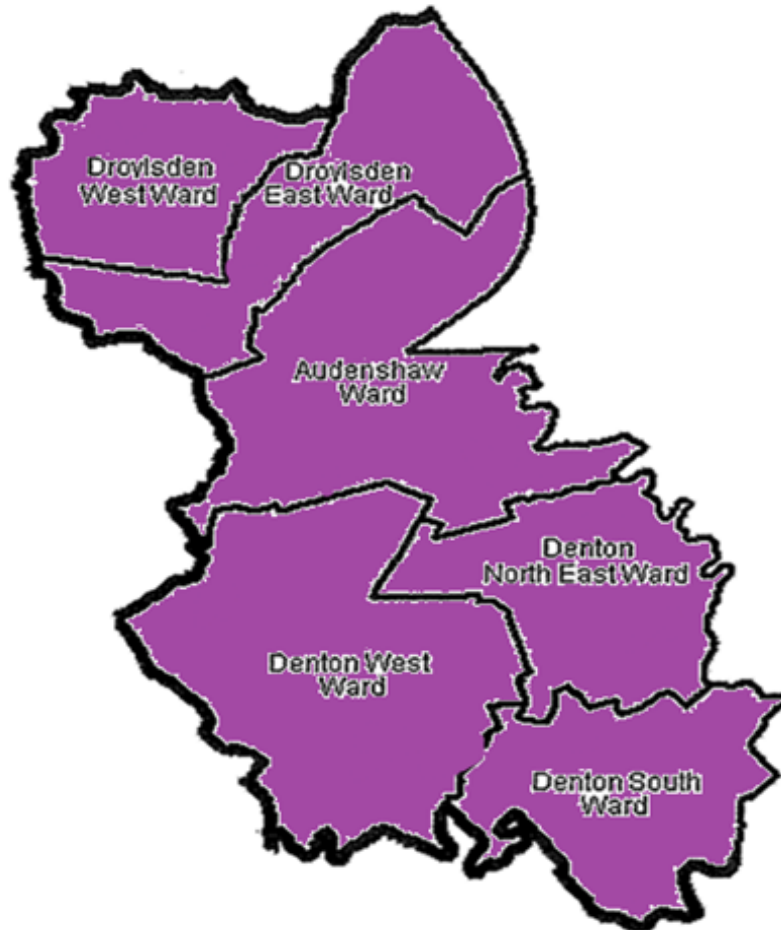
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The Community Safety Strategy has 5 key priorities:

- Building stronger communities
- Preventing and reducing violent crime, knife crime & domestic abuse
- Preventing and reducing crime & anti-social behaviour
- Preventing and reducing the harm caused by drugs & alcohol
- Protecting vulnerable people and those at risk of exploitation

# GMP Tameside West

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## TAMESIDE WEST

**DROYLSDEN, DENTON & AUDENSHAW**

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# Building a new GMP – Strategic Plan

PLANNING OUR FUTURE: BUILDING A NEW GMP

**OUR PURPOSE:** Focus on the basics: Fight, prevent and reduce crime. Keep people safe. Care for victims.



THIS IS WHAT WE DO:

RESPOND TO INCIDENTS & EMERGENCIES

INVESTIGATE & SOLVE CRIME

PREVENT AND REDUCE CRIME, HARM AND ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

DELIVER OUTSTANDING SERVICE

BUILD PUBLIC TRUST AND CONFIDENCE

THIS IS HOW WE DO IT:

**Improve, simplify and align our core processes**

- Ensure we deal with incoming demand, and properly record, investigate and solve crimes
- Ensure end-to-end accountability and victim focus
- Simplify governance, reduce duplication and bureaucracy

**Improve I.T. and broaden digital transformation**

- Improve / replace police works
- Boost digital skills across the organisation
- Ensure I.T. and digital technology are easy to use enablers of our core processes
- Update and upgrade our I.T. infrastructure and ensure it is fit for purpose

**Become a more intelligent organisation**

- Foster evidence-based decision-making
- Scan the horizon, map and predict demand and emerging threats (incl. failure demand)
- Collect and analyse accurate, reliable and up-to-date information and share it in an easy to understand way
- Boost data and analytics skills

**Strengthen and invest in the corporate services function**

- Ensure corporate services enable, contribute, support and influence the force as a strategic partner
- Boost and grow the professional skills across corporate services

**Establish effective performance management regime**

- Measure, monitor and manage what really matters
- Set clear performance expectations for everyone
- Recognise and celebrate good performance
- Fairly tackle poor performance

**Strengthen our dedicated neighbourhood policing teams**

- Ensure they have resources and decision-making powers, local knowledge and a focus on partnership-based problem solving
- Help to build resilient communities
- Supported by specialist capabilities

**Work in effective partnerships**

- Reduce risk to vulnerable people and stop people becoming victims in the first place
- Create a joint focus on creative problem solving in order to reduce demand
- Shared accountability for problems
- Joint intelligence and understanding of underlying causes of demand

**Communicate and engage in a positive and proactive manner**

- Have a proactive dialogue with communities, listen to the public, understand issues
- Establish internal voice and create staff engagement channels
- Enhance media and stakeholder relationships

**Invest in and support our people**

- Make GMP an attractive place to work
- Improve staff engagement, staff recognition and staff wellbeing
- Improve leadership skills across the organisation
- Strengthen strategic, operational HR and workforce planning processes so that we recruit, retain, develop and promote the best people
- Provide ongoing training, development support and career progression opportunities to all staff and officers

**Invest in and improve our infrastructure**

- Ensure the estate, fleet, equipment and I.T. are fit for the job
- Embrace effective agile working
- Reduce environmental impact

**Manage our resources effectively**

- Secure funding and align finance strategy with strategic priorities
- Balance short and long-term financial planning
- Improve financial awareness and delegate more financial authority
- Focus on value for money

UNDERPINNED BY OUR VALUES:

PUBLIC SERVICE & PROBLEM SOLVING

INTEGRITY, HONESTY & OPENNESS

ACCOUNTABILITY & UNITY

KINDNESS

HIGHEST PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

BEING A LEARNING ORGANISATION

DIVERSITY, EQUALITY & INCLUSION



# Building a new GMP – Public Promises

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## RESPOND TO INCIDENTS AND EMERGENCIES

- 999 and 101 call waiting times will be shorter.
- You will be able to report a crime or incident online so you don't have to phone 101.
- You will be able to report problems in your area online directly to your neighbourhood policing team.
- If you are a victim of crime we will deliver the Victims' Code. You will be given the contact details of the police officer who is looking after your case. They will keep you informed of any progress and you will not have to call 101 for updates.
- If you have an emergency we will get to you more quickly.

# Building a new GMP – Public Promises

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## PREVENT AND REDUCE CRIME, HARM AND ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

- You will see monthly high profile operations that target the problems we know you care about.
- Every area will have a neighbourhood policing team including named officers responsible for local policing.
- You will be able to contact your neighbourhood policing team directly.
- A proportion of our neighbourhood policing team resources will be ring-fenced and they will only undertake duties that are focused on addressing local concerns.
- We will focus extra help for people who are particularly vulnerable to the risk of harm, for example, people targeted by hate crime; people who are repeatedly targeted; or people who have reduced ability to keep themselves safe.



# Building a new GMP – Public Promises

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## INVESTIGATE AND SOLVE CRIME

- We will investigate all crimes and follow-up every reasonable line of enquiry.
- Every burglary will be attended by a police officer and followed up with an investigation.
- More criminals will be arrested.
- You will see us relentlessly pursue the disruption of serious and organised crime.
- We will seize more assets from criminals. If you are acting criminally you can expect us to seize your house, your car and your cash when we catch you.

# Building a new GMP – Public Promises

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## DELIVER OUTSTANDING PUBLIC SERVICE

- We have invested in strengthening our leadership: every district will be led by a Chief Superintendent. You will know their names and be able to contact them.
- You will feel like we care about you. More victims of crime will be satisfied with how we look after them.
- Officers and staff do their jobs to the highest professional standards: we will have fewer complaints about poor service.
- You will see your neighbourhood policing team working with your council, the NHS and other organisations to solve problems that affect crime and anti-social behaviour in your area.
- Officers and staff will be well equipped to do their jobs well.



# Building a new GMP – Public Promises

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## BUILD PUBLIC TRUST AND CONFIDENCE

- You will have been invited to join in a public consultation to give us your views on what you want from our neighbourhood policing function.
- You will be able to speak to us regularly to tell us what issues you want us to address in your neighbourhood. What we do in your neighbourhood will be informed by what you tell us.
- We will proactively communicate with you to tell you what we are doing.
- We will deliver proportionate and fair policing where our tactics and use of force is not greater than the risk we are trying to address. We will publish data on how we are performing.
- Local forums and other panels will be strengthened to widen public scrutiny and we will take part in a bi-annual GMP accountability session with elected representatives and the monthly Mayor's Question Time.

# GMP – What we are doing

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- ✓ *Arresting more offenders*
- ✓ *Conducting more warrants*
- ✓ *Seizing more drugs*
- ✓ *Seizing more vehicles*
- ✓ *Issuing more traffic offence tickets*
- ✓ *Reducing anti-social behaviour*
- ✓ *Being more problem focused*
- ✓ *More engagement*
  
- ❖ *And we will continue to do this and more.....*





# Road Safety



- Road Safety Working Group
- Road Safety campaign
- Road Safety Pledge



# Hate Crime

- Promotion of National Hate crime awareness raising campaign
- Ongoing delivery of Hate Crime Awareness sessions to partners

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# Community Safety Partnership Grant Funding

## 13 projects funded in 2021 / 22

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- ★ Arts Awards
- ★ Active Citizens
- ★ Road Safety
- ★ StoryMakers
- ★ Daisy Chain
- ★ Safe Squad
- ★ Personal Safety / Conflict Management Training
- ★ Our Day – Roll over project from 2020/21 – due to covid restrictions
- ★ Here comes Tango
- ★ BREE
- ★ Theatre Tracks
- ★ Ashton United In The Community
- ★ Odd Arts
- ★ JJ Effect





# Works in the Community



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Working in partnership with continues with the aim of creating a safer, stronger, and active community where crime and anti-social behaviour is less likely to happen. There are 62 schemes registered through the Council and we are looking to build on that [www.tamesidenwa.co.uk](http://www.tamesidenwa.co.uk)

The CSP funded the purchase of a vehicle for Ashton United In The Community (AUITC) which will be used to support the delivery of a series of community engagement projects, along with pop up events where the partners involved will have the means to promote current community safety awareness messages





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# Thank you

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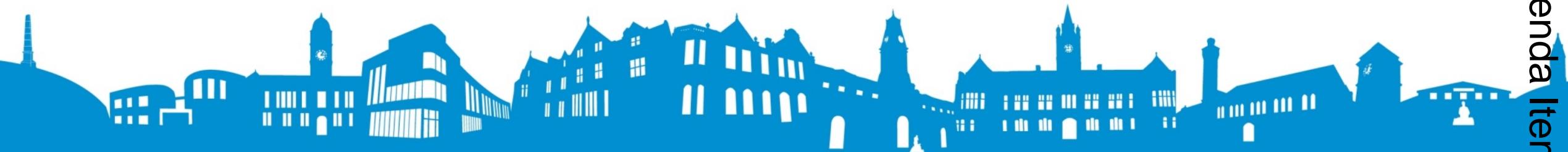
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# Strategic Neighbourhood Forum

## Place Priorities

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# Economy, Employment & Skills

## Tameside Business Resilience Clinic

- Launched as part of our COVID response, offering free, bespoke advice and guidance.
- Businesses are matched to support by a Project Manager from Economy Employment & Skills using the bank of Business Community Champions (BCC), GM Business Growth Hub provision and a catalogue of online support including webinars.
- BCCs are local business experts offering free support across specialisms including finance, social media and business start up. To date 63 businesses have registered and engaged with the Clinic.

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## In Work Progression – launching January 2022

- Tameside has been selected by DWP to run a trial project, offering support to Tameside residents who are in work but would like to increase their earnings.
- Experienced staff will offer 1-2-1 support at a time and manner to suit each resident participating.
- Support will be tailored to the aims of each person, examples might be: if you are not earning enough money and want more hours; or if you are in a job you don't enjoy and want to gain skills to move into something different

# Economy, Employment & Skills

## Tameside Youth Employment Support

- Created in response to increased challenges for young people following the pandemic, recognising the challenges many face when trying to find employment.
- Supports employers to create job opportunities matching the aspirations of a young person by offering reimbursement of first 6 months salary for apprenticeship or non apprenticeship roles.
- Create employment opportunities for our priority young people including Care Experienced.
- Partnership & Engagement Officer provides 1-2-1 support from application through to job sustainment, this includes:
  - Support with preparation for work, CV writing, understanding employer expectations and preparing for interviews
  - Help transition young people in to the world of work.

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# Economy, Employment & Skills

## Routes to Work Supported Employment Service

- Team of specialist advisors offering advice, support and practical assistance for anyone with a disability who would like to find employment.
- Offer on the job training using specialist methods.
- Provide retention advice and support to local businesses.
- Create network of opportunities for our residents with disabilities.
- Currently support 77 Tameside residents, 46 in work and 31 looking for work
- Tameside 20-21 achieved 7.12% of people with Learning Disability in paid employment, Government target of 7% by 2023.



“I love working, I don’t want to use my Annual Leave”

**Jack, Document Controller, BLM**

Autistic and Learning Disabled

# A Town Centres Framework

- Lack of overarching town centre strategy
- Regeneration and evolution of centres
- Place based investment approach
- Opportunity to pull various strands together
- Identify cross cutting themes
- A new Tameside Town Centre Framework will set the overarching principles for the regeneration of our towns and collaborative working to achieve this

# Why Invest in our Town Centres?

- Housing and employment investment opportunities
- Excellent strategic transport infrastructure
- World class digital infrastructure – Dark Fibre
- Rapidly growing digital, ICT and creative sectors – Ashton Old Baths, St Petersfield
- Historic towns with heritage assets
- Access to countryside improve Quality of Life
- Strong connections to the wider GM City Region



# Droylsden

- Long term vision to improve the town centre as a place to live, work and socialise.
- 230 new homes delivered at Droylsden Marina by Watkins Jones.
- Opportunity for further housing delivery on the Lock Keeper's development site and adjacent former Droylsden Library supported by £1.9m from Brownfield Homes Fund
- Droylsden's new library formally opened on 17 September situated in Guardsman Tony Downes House moving from the ageing pre-war building to a modern home.
  - Fully accessible lay-out with up-to-date ICT, a community room, a children's area and space for meetings/work/study.
- Other regeneration opportunities such as the derelict Cotton Tree pub





# Housing Delivery

## **Dedicated Affordable Housing Development Currently Onsite**

- 62 homes for Affordable Rent Fairfield Road, Droylsden, Jigsaw Homes.
- 66 homes for Affordable Rent Fairfield Road, Droylsden, Irwell Valley HA
- 34 Shared Ownership homes with Brownfield Homes Fund grant, Manchester Road, Audenshaw, provided by Mosscafe St Vincent

## **Significant other developments and permissions**

- 338 new homes of mixed types and tenures being on the former site of the Robertson's Jam Factory
- Brownfield Homes Funding of £300k secured for 20 new homes on site of Denton Baths, currently being demolished.

# Strategic Property

- Former Droylsden Library

Following demolition the site will be consolidated with the adjoining Lock Keepers Court site and marketed as a single development opportunity.

- Two Trees Site

Clearance and former school site, land at Mill Lane.

Additional area of land was declared surplus at Executive Cabinet 29th September 2021.

- Denton Baths

Site Clearance and external agents appointed to commence marketing.

# Strategic Property

- Aldwyn school  
Extension underway – completion March 2022.
- Audenshaw Primary  
Major works to lath and plaster ceilings completed.  
New smart lighting due October half term.
- Audenshaw High School  
Remodelling of sixth form block etc.
- Denton Community College  
External dining canopies being priced.
- St Anne's Denton  
New secure front entrance planned – probable start 2022.
- Fairfield Primary  
Major lath and plaster repairs. Full rewire completed summer 2021.

# Strategic Property

- Land at Morningside Close, Droylsden  
External agents appointed to commence marketing.
- Land off Greenside Lane / Chelwood Drive, Droylsden  
Declared surplus at Executive Cabinet, 29 September 2021.
- Decarbonisation Project  
Greenside Children's Centre,  
Audenshaw Primary,  
Denton Festival Hall.