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Meeting of: Rochdale South Township Committee
Date: Thursday, 27th February, 2020
Time: 6.00 pm.
Venue: Training and Conference Suite, First Floor,
Number One Riverside, Smith Street,
Rochdale, OL16 1XU

This agenda gives notice of items to be considered in private as required by Regulations 5 (4) and (5) of The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

Item No.	AGENDA	Page No
1	Apologies To receive any apologies for absence.	
2	Declarations of Interest Members are required to declare any disclosable pecuniary, personal or personal and prejudicial interests they may have and the nature of those interests relating to items on this agenda and/or indicate if S106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 applies to them.	
3	Minutes To consider the Minutes of the meeting of Rochdale South Township Committee held 7 th November 2019.	3 - 7
4	Items for Exclusion of Public and Press To determine any items on the agenda, if any, where the public are to be excluded from the meeting.	
5	Urgent Items of Business To determine whether there are any additional items of business which, by reason of special circumstances, the Chair decides should be considered at the meeting as a matter of urgency.	

6 Health and Social Care Integration

Presentation by the Adult Care Service.

7 Open Forum

Up to half an hour has been set aside for members of the public to raise any issues relevant to the business of the Committee and the Township.

8 2020 - 2022 Highways Capital Programme

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To consider the Highways Capital Programme 2020 - 2022

9 Townships Plan 2020-2022

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To consider the Township Plan 2020 - 2022

Rochdale South Township Committee Members

Councillor Shakil Ahmed

Councillor Daalat Ali

Councillor Allen Brett

Councillor Richard Farnell

Councillor Jean Hornby

Councillor Jane Howard

Councillor Daniel Meredith

Councillor Kathleen Nickson

Councillor Aasim Rashid

Councillor Billy Sheerin

Councillor Angela Smith

Councillor Patricia Sullivan

Councillor Elsie Wraighte

Councillor Sameena Zaheer

Councillor Mohammed Zaman

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ROCHDALE SOUTH TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING
Thursday, 7th November 2019

PRESENT: Councillor Zaman (in the Chair); Councillors Shakil Ahmed, Daalat Ali, Brett, Hornby, Nickson, Angela Smith, Sullivan and Zaheer.

OFFICERS: V. White, M. Aiken, K. Gee (Neighbourhoods Directorate), N. Barton (Economy Directorate), R. Stevens (Children's Directorate) and P. Thompson (Resources Directorate).

14 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Farnell, Howard, Meredith, Rashid and Sheerin.

15 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interests.

16 MINUTES

In considering the minutes of the meeting of the Committee, held 5th September, 2019 the Chair advised Members that at a previous meeting of the Committee on 5th June 2019, the Committee had omitted to appoint a Township Highways Champion.

Resolved:

1. The minutes of the meeting of the Rochdale South Township Committee held on 5th September 2019 be approved and signed as a correct record.
2. Councillor Zaman be appointed as the Rochdale South Township's Highways Champion for the remainder of the 2019/2020 Municipal Year.

17 BLURRED LINES

The Township Committee viewed a film regarding the criminal exploitation and sexual exploitation of children that had been produced by young people of Oulder Hill High School in Rochdale.

At the conclusion of the film Committee Members asked questions of the representative of the Children's Social Care Service who was in attendance at the meeting. The Committee noted the often disturbing and graphic content of the film, which sadly reflected the current situation that appertained in the Borough

Resolved that the film be noted and welcomed and the children of Oulder Hill High School be commended for the production of their film.

18 OPEN FORUM

There were no items raised in the Open Forum.

19 ADOPTION OF TRUB ROAD UNDER S228 OF HIGHWAYS ACT 1980

The Director of Economy reported that the Whipp and Bourne Development at Trub Road in Rochdale has been built to an Adoptable Standard with works supervised by Rochdale Borough Council Engineers and Clerk of Works. He submitted report therefore proposed that the access road to the site be formally adopted.

Alternatives considered:

That the Committee doesn't approve the adoption of this highway. The highway would not then be subject to routine maintenance and would degrade at a quicker rate, thereby endangering users.

Resolved:

1. The Rochdale South Township Committee approves the adoption of the highways at Trub Road, Rochdale, identified in the plans that are appended to the report.
2. The Rochdale South Township Committee authorises the Assistant Director, (Legal, Governance and Workforce) to take necessary steps to secure the making, confirmation and implementation of the adoption orders including the service of all notices and the presentation of the Councils case at any public inquiry (if necessary).
3. The Rochdale South Township Committee authorises, subject to there being no objections to the statutory notices, the Council as Highway Authority to adopt the highways a Trub Road, Rochdale, as outlined in the submitted report and in the plans that are attached to the submitted report.

Reasons for the decision:

The Council, to facilitate the developments at the Whipp and Bourne Site and at Trub Farm, has made significant improvements to Trub Road at its junction with Manchester Road. At the time no formal adoption agreement was undertaken. The Council should therefore retrospectively adopt such highways under Section 228 of the Highways Act 1980. Section 228 Highways Act 1980, provided that the Council, as Highway Authority, is able to declare a route to be a highway maintainable at public expense provided that works are carried out to a satisfactory standard.

Eligible for Call-in: Yes.

20 ADOPTION OF DEVELOPMENT AT KINGSWAY UNDER S228 OF THE HIGHWAYS ACT

The Township Committee considered a report of the Director of Neighbourhoods advising that the development at Kingsway Business Park in Rochdale has been built to an Adoptable Standard with works supervised by Rochdale Borough Council Engineers and Clerk of Works, therefore the report was recommending that the site be formally adopted.

Alternatives considered:

That the Committee doesn't approve the adoption of this highway. The highway would not then be subject to routine maintenance and would degrade at a quicker rate, thereby endangering users.

Resolved:

1. The Rochdale South Township Committee approves the adoption of the highways at Kingsway Business Park, Rochdale, identified in the plans that are appended to the report.
2. The Rochdale South Township Committee authorises the Assistant Director, (Legal, Governance and Workforce) to take the necessary steps to secure the making, confirmation and implementation of the adoption orders including the service of all notices and the presentation of the Councils case at any public inquiry (if necessary).
3. The Rochdale South Township Committee authorises, subject to there being no objections to the statutory notices, the Council as Highway Authority to adopt the highways at Kingsway Business Park, Rochdale, as outlined in the submitted report and in the plans that are attached to the submitted report.

Reasons for the decision:

The Council and Rochdale Development Agency had entered into a Collaboration Agreement with Wilson Bowden Developments. The purpose of the Collaboration Agreement was to ensure the comprehensive development of a high quality business park in accordance with the Rochdale Unitary Development Plan and the Planning Permissions. Whilst the intention had always been for the Council, as the Highway Authority, to adopt these areas as highways the Collaboration Agreement made no reference to a process for the formal adoption of the highways. The Council was required to act retrospectively to adopt such highways under Section 228 of the Highways Act 1980. Section 228 Highways Act 1980, provided that the Council, as Highway Authority, is able to declare a route to be a highway maintainable at public expense provided that works are carried out to a satisfactory standard.
Eligible for Call-in: Yes

21 SECTION 106 - ROCHDALE SOUTH PROJECTS

The Township Committee considered a report of the Director of Economy that sought approval to allocate funds currently held from Section 106 open space contributions in the Bamford, Kingsway and Milkstone and Deepdish Wards to contribute to projects which would provide local open space improvements within those wards.

Alternatives considered:

The Council is required to spend Section 106 contributions in accordance with legal agreements and local and national planning policy. Not bringing forward projects to spend Section 106 contributions in accordance with these agreements and policies risks the loss of investment in local facilities, and the refunding of monies held from Section 106 contributions where there is a time limited period for spend.

Proposals put forward in the submitted report has been the subject of consultation with appropriate Ward Members and reflected their priorities. The use of resources had therefore been considered to maximise the funding available.

Resolved:

1. The Township Committee approves an allocation of £26,271.90 of Section 106 local open space contributions from the McCarthy and Stone, Butterworth Grange development on Norden Road to fund improvements at Bamford Green, in the Bamford Ward.
2. The Township Committee approves an allocation of £54,925.07 of Section 106 local open space contributions from the David Wilson Homes, Kingsway development to fund the provision of a community garden at Robinson's Common, in the Kingsway Ward.
3. The Township Committee approves an allocation of £2,000.98 of Section 106 local open space contributions from development at Boundary Street to support improvements at Stoneyfield Park, in the Milkstone and Deeplish Ward.

Reasons for the decision:

The Rochdale South Township Committee Members had previously requested that all Section 106 open space funded schemes be approved by Members by way of a report to an appropriate Committee meeting. A similar process of reporting exists in the Council's other four Townships. A variety of costed schemes had been prepared by the Council's Environmental Management and Property Services, Petrus and the Friends of Bamford Green and were supported by the relevant Ward Councillors. These schemes were within the parameters of the Section 106 agreement and the Council's 'Provision of Recreational Open Space in New Housing' Supplementary Planning Document.

Eligible for Call-in: Yes.

22 SECTION 106 FORMAL SPORT AND LOCAL OPEN SPACE

The Township considered a report of the Director of Economy that updated Members on the progress made in updating procedures to allocate Section 106 Formal Sport and Local Open Space contributions following an audit report that had been produced in October 2018.

The submitted report provided information on the current balance of unallocated Section 106 Formal Sport and Local Open Space contributions, on a Ward, Township and borough wide basis.

The meeting was informed that Section 106 Planning Obligations, regarding Formal Sport and Local Open Space, attracted significant resources to improve local sports and general recreation facilities for the benefit of the residents of the Borough. The Council is obliged to ensure that these resources are spent efficiently and in accordance with local policy and Government guidance.

Following an audit of the Section 106 process in October 2018, additional procedures have been developed to ensure the efficient allocation and spend of historic and new Section 106 contributions in accordance with local policy and Government guidance.

It was intended that regular reports updating Members on this matter would be submitted to future meetings of the Committee.

Resolved:

That the report be noted.

23 TOWNSHIPS PLAN 2020 - 2022

Resolved:

That consideration of the Townships Plan 2020 – 2022 item be deferred for consideration at the Committee's next scheduled meeting on 27th February 2020.

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Report to Rochdale South Township Committee



Date of Meeting	27 th February 2020
Portfolio	Cabinet Member for Environment
Report Author	Michael Aiken
Public document	

2020 - 2022 Highways Capital Programme

Executive Summary

1. The purpose of this report is for Members to note and approve the attached highways work programmes which are proposed to take place during the 2020/21 and 2021/22 financial years.

The attached programmes include the following –

- 2 year local transport plan (LTP) funded capital programme.
- 2 year bridges and structures capital maintenance programme

Recommendation

2. That the committee note and approve the proposed work programmes to be delivered in 2020/21 and 2021/22

Reason for Recommendation

3. The schemes that have been selected have been put together based on the principles of asset management which use network condition data, engineer inspections, life cycle planning and cost efficiency to produce the most efficient highway improvement over the course of the programmes.

Using Asset management techniques for scheme selection ensures that we are in line with recommendations from the Department for Transport (DfT) enables us to continue to receive the full funding allocation from the DfT incentive fund scheme. Authorities that are deemed not to be carrying out efficient highway improvements can have funding reduced and in the case of Rochdale, the maximum reduction would be £410k.

Key Points for Consideration

4. The recommended programmes have been put together to achieve the highest level of improvement available with the allocated budget.
- 4.1 Not agreeing this programme could potentially cause a reduction in the amount of funding Rochdale Borough Council (RBC) receive from the DfT

Alternatives Considered

No alternatives have been considered. The programme has been developed according to DfT guidance and in line with other GM Authorities.

Costs and Budget Summary

5. The total LTP allocation for highways is £1.56m per year.

The budgets with the exception of bridges and structures have been split into each Township according to population size. The budget splits are as follows -

Township	% Allocation
Heywood	14
Middleton	22
Pennine	20
Rochdale North	19
Rochdale South	25

Risk and Policy Implications

6. If the programme is not agreed and the asset management methodology is not applied, there would be a risk that Rochdale's Self incentive score could be marked down to a level 2 which may result in a reduction in funding from the DfT. Ensuring that asset management principles are followed is the best way to manage the condition of the network and also guarantees that the top level of DfT funding is awarded.

Consultation

7. N/A

Background Papers

Place of Inspection

- 8.

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Report to Rochdale South Township Committee



Date of Meeting	7 November 2019
Portfolio	Neighbourhoods, Community & Culture
Report Author	Valery White
Public/Private Document	Public Document

Townships Plan 2020-2022

1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 The Council's Corporate Plan 2019-2022 has now been agreed. The process included carrying out a review of the Council's values and behaviours which are now **Proud, Passionate, Pioneering** and **Open**.
- 1.2 In line with the new Corporate Plan, the Townships Plan 2020–2022 has been developed around the following priorities: **Prosperous People and Places**.
- 1.3 Township Chairs and Vice Chairs worked with the Portfolio Holder for Neighbourhoods, Community and Culture to produce the new Townships Plan.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That Members note the detail included in the Townships Plan 2020-2022 appended to this report (Appendix A).
- 2.2 That Members note that the plan has been developed in consultation with the Portfolio Holder, Township Chairs and Vice Chairs in line with priorities identified in the Council's Corporate Plan 2019-2022.
- 2.3 Members are asked to approve the plan to allow the Townships to focus on local priorities in line with the Council's key priorities – **Prosperous People and Places**.

3. Reason for Recommendation

- 3.1 Members were consulted on development of a new Townships Plan following the introduction of the new Corporate Plan.
- 3.2 The Townships Plan identifies priorities determined by each Township's Councillors as a focus for action over the next two years. This plan gathers aspirations and ideas together as a focus for decision makers, Council Services, partner agencies and the voluntary and community sector active in the Rochdale Borough.

- 3.3 The Townships Plan 2017-2019 is due to expire. The Townships Plan 2020-2022 includes objectives identified to meet the priorities identified by each of the five Townships. It will also guide and direct and detail the use of devolved budgets, including Township Revenue Funds, for the financial years 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22.
- 3.4 The Townships Plan forms part of the Council's policy framework. The plan is a live document that can evolve and change to meet new opportunities and initiatives, and can be updated to reflect changes as we move forward.

4. Key Points for Consideration
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- 4.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report. Township funds are monitored on a monthly basis and financial monitoring reports will continue to be presented to future committees on a regular basis.

5. Risk and Policy Implications
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- 5.1 There are no specific risk issues for Members to consider arising from this report.
- 5.2 There are no legal implications arising as a result of this proposal.

6. Consultation

- 6.1 Portfolio Holder, Township Chairs, Township Vice Chairs and Township Committees:
 Heywood
 Middleton
 Pennines
 Rochdale North
 Rochdale South

Background Papers	Place of Inspection
None	N/A

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Townships Plan

2020 - 2022

The Townships plan will focus on local Township priorities in line with the Council's new values – **Proud, Passionate, Pioneering and open**

Townships are crucial to developing the 'Place' agenda, facilitating local decision making and have devolved powers in relation to a number of Council Services, including –

- Environmental Management (Street Services and Clean & Green Team)
- Highways & Engineering (Highways Investment Programme, Highways Capital Programme)
- Community Centres
- Libraries
- Development Control (Empty Properties, S.106 Agreements)
- Township Funds

Devolution of the above services to Townships contributes to the achievement of corporate objectives.

Chief Executive: Steve Rumbelow

Lead Cabinet Member: Councillor Janet Emsley

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The Council has three key values to deliver our vision; a vision that directs and underpins everything we do:

Prosperous People and Places

Townships Key Priorities

1. To ensure coordination and support in connection with the performance and delivery of Council Services to each individual Township.
2. To allocate devolved funding at a local level to projects that respond to the needs of local communities.
3. To promote Community Development and support development of Community Projects to empower local people within their own communities.
4. To respond to issues raised in the public arena by means of a structure of both formal and informal meetings.
5. To work with Council Services and our partners to facilitate local decision making, to support the aspirations of the Borough's residents, businesses and visitors, with additional focus on driving forward the Public Service Reform agenda on a Township basis.
6. To consider the further devolution of powers, services and budgets to Townships.



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Heywood Township Key Activities

Ref	Priority	Examples	Link to corporate priority
HT1	Cleaner, Greener and Safer Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contribute to efforts to remove carbon dioxide from the atmosphere to address the climate emergency. • Reduce the number of grot spots. • Maintain Green Flag status. • Support community safety initiatives that tackle crime and disorder. • Support a safe and efficient strategic highways network. • Redesign and improve traffic flow through the Town Centre. 	Prosperous People & Places
Page 14 HT2	Thriving Community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with partners, businesses, voluntary sector and the community to strengthen links, encourage participation and encourage pride in our Township. • Support health and wellbeing initiatives and sporting activities. • Support choice and engagement for our children and young people. • Support our Armed Forces Family. • Support the range of Township events to increase community participation and engagement. 	Prosperous People & Places
HT3	Economic Prosperity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support Heywood business initiatives. • Support, encourage and promote new and existing businesses. • Support and promote ongoing events to increase footfall for local businesses. 	Prosperous People & Places
Budgets	<p>Heywood Township funds can be used to offer support to organisations and projects that are of direct benefit to the community, environment and economy of Heywood. Any local constituted community organisation can request funding support from Heywood Township for project support. Special consideration will be given to groups without their own funds/with limited alternative means and those in areas not benefiting from other funding opportunities. All projects must show how they will address the Heywood Township priorities.</p>		

Middleton Township Key Activities

Ref	Priority	Examples	Link to corporate priority
MT1	Children & Young People	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage engagement in sport/arts/culture/heritage via Township grants. • Support the Youth Service in events and activities. • Work with partner agencies to provide sports, arts and outdoor activities. • Contribute to improving the health and wellbeing of children and young people in Middleton Township through schemes such as Holiday@Home and Fit, Read and Feed. • Provide young children with a healthy start by supporting breast feeding in the Town. • Continue to support our Armed Forces Family. 	Prosperous People & Places
MT2 Page 15	Cleaner, Greener & Safer Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create and maintain good quality open spaces, reduce grot spots and continue to utilise the Clean & Green Team. • Support groups looking to apply for funding to increase the 'recognition' of open spaces through schemes such as Green Flags. • Encourage groups to apply for funding for 'Grow & Eat' schemes such as orchards in community open space facilities. • Contribute to efforts to remove carbon dioxide from the atmosphere to address the climate emergency, including improving air quality through cleaner air schemes such as a 'tree corridor'. • Support 'Friends of' groups to encourage pride and responsibility. • Increase enforcement activity around environmental crime. • Work with partners to reduce crime and disorder, and the perception of crime. 	Prosperous People & Places
MT3	Tourism & Prosperity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote tourism via the THI scheme and historic buildings within the town. • Support events and activities that encourage visitors to Middleton's retail offer and increase economic prosperity. • Encourage and support further regeneration projects via Township funds. • Encourage local groups to apply for funding for cultural and heritage projects. 	Prosperous People & Places
Budgets	Middleton Township funds can be used to offer support to organisations and projects that are of direct benefit to the community and the environment of Middleton. Councillors, Council Services, partner agencies, third sector organisations and forums/working parties are invited to submit projects on relevant application forms for funding from Middleton Township funds.		

Pennines Township Key Activities

Ref	Priority	Examples	Link to corporate priority
PT1	<p>Focussing on our Communities and our Young People</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to facilitate existing community based meetings/forums. • Promote and support public facilities (including libraries) as an integral part of our communities. • Actively promote health and wellbeing in the Township. • Support children and young people to achieve their full potential. • Support community initiatives to celebrate our Township. • Continue to support our Armed Forces Family. 	Prosperous People & Places
Page 16	<p>Cleaner, Greener & Safer Environment</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide support to community groups to encourage pride and ownership of our public spaces. • Reduce grot spots and utilise the Clean & Green Team. • Support and encourage events in our parks and green spaces. • Contribute to efforts to remove carbon dioxide from the atmosphere to address the climate emergency, and actively encourage the community to reduce their impact on the environment. • Work with partners to reduce crime and anti-social behaviour. • Actively work to minimise flood risk and support community resilience. 	Prosperous People & Places
PT3	<p>Regeneration</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with partners to promote Pennines Township as an attractive and welcoming place to visit, live and work. • Promote the Township's tourism offer and wider visitor economy. • Work with businesses, individuals and groups to improve information, communication and promotion of events and activities. 	Prosperous People & Places
Budgets	<p>Pennines Township funds can be used to offer support to projects and organisations that are of direct benefit to the community and environment of the Pennines area. Councillors, Council Services, partner agencies, third sector organisations and area forums can submit projects on relevant application forms for funding from Pennines Township funds.</p>		

Rochdale North Township Key Activities

Ref	Priority	Examples	Link to corporate priority
RTN1	Communities First	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continued development and review of area forums, focussed agendas, representative of their communities. Contribute financially to, and support, events within the Township. Support improvements in delivery of the Health & Social Care agenda. Continue to support our Armed Forces Family. Support a wider range of community groups in the development of community projects. 	Prosperous People & Places
RTN2 Page 17	Cleaner, Greener & Safer Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contribute to efforts to remove carbon dioxide from the atmosphere to address the climate emergency. Support Community Safety initiatives that tackle crime and disorder. Continue to develop new sites, such as Syke Common, to work towards Green Flag status. Encourage communities to take responsibility for alleyways and for suitable land and green spaces, to promote pride and ownership. Work with partners to fund/develop initiatives to improve recycling rates. Support and develop the Borough strategy for flood risk management. 	Prosperous People & Places
RTN3	Regeneration & Prosperity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work in partnership with Rochdale South Township to support improvements in the Town Centre. Support and promote greater connectivity that increases footfall within our retail areas. Assist with funding to make environmental improvements throughout the Township to the benefit of our residents. 	Prosperous People & Places
Budgets	<p>Rochdale North Township's vision is to create a friendly, clean and safe Township characterised by harmonious and diverse communities. Councillors, Council Services, partner agencies, third sector organisations and area forums can submit projects for funding to achieve these aims on relevant application forms for Rochdale North Township funds.</p>		

Rochdale South Township Key Activities

Ref	Priority	Examples	Link to corporate priority
RTS1	Communities First	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of area forums, focussed agendas, representative of their communities. • Encourage more self-reliance and engagement in the community to improve health and social care in the Township. • Contribute financially to, and support, community groups and events within the Township. • Facilitate consultation events to engage communities in decision making at a local level. • Support the provision of facilities (meeting places, sports training) for young people. • Continue to support our Armed Forces Family. 	Prosperous People & Places
Page 18 RTS2	Cleaner, Greener & Safer Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contribute to efforts to remove carbon dioxide from the atmosphere to address the climate emergency. • Support Community Safety initiatives that tackle crime and disorder. • Encourage communities to take responsibility for suitable land and green spaces, to promote pride and ownership. • Work with partners to fund/develop initiatives to improve recycling rates. 	Prosperous People & Places
RTS3	Regeneration & Prosperity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work in partnership with Rochdale North Township to support improvements in the Town Centre. • Support a wider range of community groups, with a particular focus on education, I.T. skills and welfare advice. • Work with RBC Highways Service to deliver traffic schemes in response to our communities' priorities. • Assist with funding to make improvements to local roads, increasing road safety. 	Prosperous People & Places
Budgets	<p>Rochdale South Township's vision is to create a friendly, clean and safe Township characterised by harmonious and diverse communities. Councillors, Council Services, partner agencies, third sector organisations and area forums can submit projects for funding to achieve these aims on relevant application forms for Rochdale South Township funds.</p>		