



Woodford Community Council

WOODFORD NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM APPLICATION

Woodford Community Council (WCC), a non-political, elected organisation, run entirely by volunteers and open to all residents of Woodford, was established in 1974 to best serve the interests of the residents, local businesses and the community in general.

As part of its constitution, WCC provides liaison between Woodford residents and statutory authorities, in particular Stockport MBC, and other relevant bodies, over any matters falling within its remit, including, but not limited to, planning applications and local developments, environmental concerns such as roads and litter, public footpaths and rights of way, and local amenities such as the Woodford War Memorial Community Centre and major businesses.

Following recent legislation, WCC has identified that the most effective way to promote economic, environmental, and sustainable benefits for the locality is through the establishment of a Neighbourhood Forum. The principle of a Forum application has been supported through a recent survey of households throughout Woodford, together with the recommendation and approval for WCC to take such action at its 2012 AGM. Indeed, it was specifically voted to empower WCC to effect such undertakings by inclusion of this authority within the constitution of WCC.

Whilst appreciating the recognition granted to WCC by both local and neighbouring Authorities, such a Forum would by default be formally recognised and have statutory powers and obligations, which may be best directed to benefit the community, together with the promotion of greater local involvement and influence.

Woodford Community Council therefore formally submits this application to establish the Woodford Neighbourhood Forum whose area of reference is designated and proposed within the accompanying Neighbourhood Area Application.

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