

Winsford Industrial Estate Business Park Managers Report – 9th June 2017

Theme One: A Secure and Safe Trading Environment

- Annual security visit to Alpha Omega has been arranged for 5th July 2017.
- ANPR camera has moved nearer to the traffic lights on Road 1.
- Incident was reported of travellers at Minsups. Businesses were alerted via the Rapid Text Service and I liaised with Alpha Omega during the evening.
- Co-ordinated the Bike to Work Day, actively promoted and liaised with Cheshire Police, Cyclone Cycle and the cafes for the bike marking, breakfast tokens etc during the day. Cheshire Police will be outside Rucks between 12 and 2pm to do the Bike Marking with the kits the BID purchased. Cyclone Cycles will also be on hand to answer any questions and perform any bike maintenance. Security guards have been arranged to assist at either end of Road 1.
- The TRO has begun on all Roads. Mistakes were made by the Council and they have been back to black some lines that were not on the original plan. Becky Hathaway from CWAC has now given me an update. They are doing it on Monday 12th June around 11am. They will put out no waiting cones and signs either tonight or tomorrow to prevent vehicles parking on the areas that need completing.
- Liaised with Cheshire Police regarding the double yellow lines and asked them for enforcement of fines should anyone be parked illegally.
- Assisted the Police with CCTV for a van that was stolen from Oasis Business Park at the end of May 2017.
- The defib has moved out of the offices of Office Link and is now sited in Reception at Meridian House. Communication has been sent out to all businesses to inform them with updated posters.
- All Your Appliances and Ruck needed replacement defib pads. These have been purchased and delivered to both companies.

Theme Two: Green & Clean

- Cheshire Fencing has been cleaned at either end of the Estate.
- A new litter bin has been installed by CWAC on Road 5.

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- Continually liaising with StreetScene regarding the Estate. In particular, Road 2 footpaths need clearing of weeds and litter and Lee Maddocks has put this on the schedule for the next visit.
- Instructed Property Wise to begin the Maintenance programme.
- OneTek have been slow at completing the fixings on all banners and in particular reinstating the remaining banner on Road 1 (Bostock Road end). I have had assurance from Lee that this will be completed over the weekend (10th June).
- Thermo Fischer would like to arrange a community/CSR activity for employees to volunteer – suggested asking the National Blood Service to visit the Estate if any businesses would be willing to host them for the day. They have also suggested assisting on a litter pick session.
- The substation on Road 1 is currently being upgraded. As a result Scottish Power have installed a mobile on the lawned area. I have met with the Site Manager and spoken to the Delivery Project Manager. Works at the Winsford 132kV Grid Substation are in their infancy, but the main civil works will be continuing through to mid-2018 with substation commissioning works concluding in November 2018 according to Scottish Power's current programme. With regards to the front of the Substation, they have consulted both internal and external ecologists. They have let a contract for an Ecology Specialist to carry out a survey and produce a report that will be used to aide remediation of the area on completion of the major project completion. They will share this report when it is available with me and if the BID have any queries/comments these will be taken into consideration during the agreed reinstatement.

Theme Three: Co-ordinated and Supported Business Community

- Active promotion of all Health & Safety training courses. These are very well attended by the businesses on the Estate. Personally deliver all the certificates and the feedback from attendees is always excellent.
- Introduction of the new FLT Refresher training has been very well received. MAM Logistics have had 2 days training for 5 Operatives. CLIC and Venture Photography have refresher training scheduled for 16th June. Antalis in September and Car Transplants in October.
- Butcher & Barlow delivered a short employment law seminar at Rucks in April free of charge and Cheshire West & Chester Council delivered an SEO training session at Groundwork's offices in Northwich which was well received.

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- Timstar have made some redundancies in April and 5 more are expected in July. LA has sent notification to other businesses on the Estate and forwarded their details. LA has been sending any vacancies to the employees affected.
- Customer Survey has been sent out – the deadline is 16th June where results will be analysed and feedback given to the business community.
- Requested further information on any vacant units. Currently Legat Owen have 3 units available. 11 Oasis Business Park and Units 1 & 2 Road 4 (Post & Column's old building).
- Currently liaising with Steve Johnson of B8 Real Estates who has been asked to market one of Schoeller Alliberts buildings. They can not market this until September but are making contact with some of the larger companies on the estate in the meantime ie. Henkel, Advanced Medical Solutions etc.
- Inavit Technologies have moved out of Lime House (the owner is now working from home). Sure Vehicles (car/van leasing company) have moved in to Lime House and I am waiting for an appointment date.
- The hard copy Estate Bulletin Spring Edition was produced and sent to all businesses.
- Shirt Monkey and SBH Radiators have arrived on the Estate at Ion Path and Premier Park. Introductions have taken place and a feature will be done on their company in the future Summer hard copy of the Estate Bulletin.
- Visited Urban Air, Gap, Howdens, Mitras, Antalis, Indigo, ShirtMonkey, Gameseek, Ruck, British Red Cross, DC Lomas, AOCC, LP Chemicals, Motor Barn, Job Worth Doing, SBH Radiators, Indeco, CLIC, Lime House, MAM Logistics, etc.
- Worked in conjunction with the BID Co-ordinator to keep the website up to date with job vacancies, training course information etc. Co-ordinated regular E-Bulletins with assistance from BID Co-ordinator – ongoing.
- Ion Path office units are having issues with getting the roof replaced by the Council. Resmar, a company currently based in Winsford have spent over £30K on updating the unit and expanding office space and were assured by CWAC that the roof would be repaired however, this still hasn't happened and they cannot move in until the repairs have been completed.

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- SBH Radiators have had to move into one of the units and are having major problems with the leaking roof. They are unable to move forward with the business in terms of recruitment until the roof has been fixed and cannot use certain areas of the warehouse due to their stock being water damaged.

Forthcoming:

- Summer Estate Bulletin : Board to give feedback on suggestions for content.
- 75% of businesses have responded to the Business Directory for the Estate. This is now to be uploaded onto the Website.
- Bike & Walk to Work Day on Thursday 15th July 2017.
- Analyse results from Customer Survey and produce an action plan.
- Co-ordinate FLT Refresher training. Gamesseek and PropertyWise would like FLT Refresher training but do not have the space to hold it at either of their properties. LA to seek an alternative venue.
- Oversee the Traffic Regulation Order implementation.
- Oversee banner maintenance.
- Employee Event Mid September.

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