## You've said... and we've listened

## Feedback from the Westhoughton with Chew Moor Area Forum held on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2018

No	Issue	Department	Response
1	During a discussion on planning issues it was indicated that consultation on the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework would take place in 2019	Dept of Place, Planning Services	The consultation for the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework (GMSF) started on 14 <sup>th</sup> January 2019 and lasts until Monday, 18 March 2019.  Bolton is the only council in Greater Manchester not including any green belt sites for housing in the plan.  You can give your views on the new plan here:  www.gmconsult.org  Come along to a drop-in event to find out more – the first will be held at Carnegie Hall, Westhoughton Town Hall, Library Street, BL5 3AW on 25 February, from 2pm to 7pm.  Another drop-in will take place at Friends' Meeting House, 50 Silverwell Street, BL1 1PP on 6 March, from 2pm to 7pm.  The Greater Manchester Combined Authority are also finalising a range of background documents, which will be published on 21 <sup>st</sup> January.  These documents give more detailed information on a range

			of topics: www.greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk/gmsf.
2	A resident reported that they had viewed a recent planning application notice posted on King Street, the only option for comment or objection was by email, should residents not be able to send comments or objections in writing to a Town Hall address?	Dept of Place, Planning Services	The typical text within a site notice is as below, taken from an actual site notice, the text does allow for comments to be made in writing to the Town Hall, however the priority for the Council is to promote online comments.  "The Council has received the application outlined above. The full application and its associated documents can be viewed at <a href="https://www.bolton.gov.uk/planapps">www.bolton.gov.uk/planapps</a> . Access to the Council's website can be obtained at libraries, area offices and the One Stop Shops and Bolton and Farnworth Town Halls. If you write to the Council please address any correspondence to: Development Management, Town Hall, Bolton. BL1 1RU"
3	A resident had reported flooding outside their dwelling on St James Road to the Council. The flooding was resolved after three weeks; however, two vehicles had attended, the resident thought one vehicle would have been sufficient.	Dept of Place, Highways Services	The first vehicle was unable to clear the blocked gullies. The second vehicle, with a more powerful jetter, then attended on 01/10/18 and cleaned out two gullies including plunging; this resolved the flooding.

4	Could vegetation encroaching onto the edge of the highways at the Chequerbent roundabout be cut back?	Dept of Place, Neighbourhood Services	Maintenance on Chequerbent Roundabout is only carried out during scheduled lane closures. The next of these will take place in spring 2019.
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