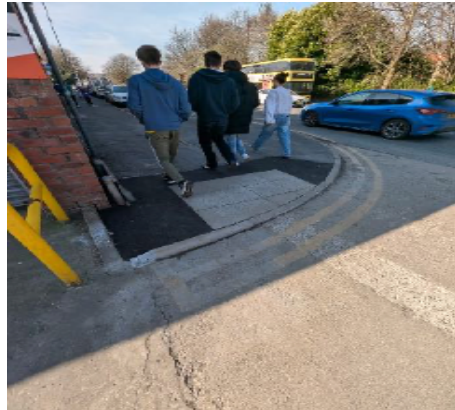


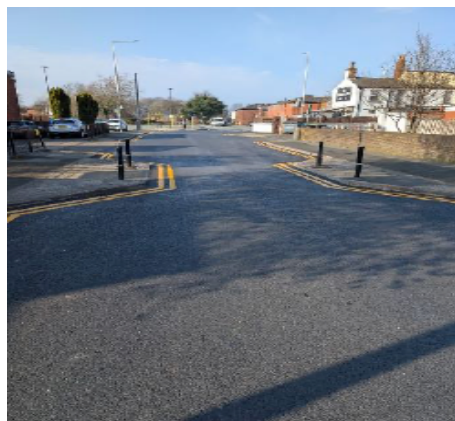
**MERCIAN WAY - DROPPED KERB & POOLING WATER**

This longstanding issue on Mercian Way has been addressed at the direction of your local Councillors.



**LOMAS STREET RESURFACING**

James Street was resurfaced a few months ago, and now Lomas Street has been fully resurfaced. We have made representations to the Highways Department about priority works needed elsewhere in the Ward.



**ROSE WALKER CENTRE IMPROVEMENTS**

It's been a busy twelve months at The Rose Walker Community Centre on Essex Avenue, Cheadle Heath.

This much loved community centre has seen investment by SMBC as it continues to provide a home for Friendly Fridays and many other local groups.

There has been a complete refurbishment of the toilets, upgrades to lighting and works to address longstanding issues with water ingress, damp and mould.

With these works now complete, we hope to give the Centre a lick of paint both inside and out ahead of the busy summer schedule.

**CHEADLE HEATH ISSUES RAISED - UPDATES**

We have been contacted by residents about a number of issues around Stockport Road. We have asked SMBC to address:

- **KENT ROAD** - The hoardings on the land have failed yet again. We continue to lobby SMBC to use CPO powers to purchase this land.
- **FORMER ST JOHNS CHURCH** - SMBC Planning are monitoring this

site as development takes place. We have asked that action is taken to ensure the site is kept safe and tidy.

- **FORMER MG PARTS SHOP** - Development has been taking place here ahead of planning permission and we have asked SMBC Enforcement to investigate.

**ECA PUBLIC MEETING DATES**

Following feedback from residents, the ECA has set out the dates for public meetings throughout 2025. The meetings will continue to be held at The Alexandra on Northgate Road.

**The proposed dates (which are subject to change - any changes will be advertised) are:**

- Mon 7th April at 7:30pm**
- Mon 19th May at 7:30pm (includes AGM)**
- Mon 11th August at 7:30pm**
- Mon 6th October at 7:30pm**
- Mon 1st December at 7:30pm**

All residents and businesses from within Edgeley and Cheadle Heath are welcome.

We use these meetings to provide local updates and invite public questions and comments.

**REACH**

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**ARMOURY ROUNDABOUT WORKS COMMENCE**

By the time you receive this newsletter, the Network Rail led project to replace the Armoury Roundabout bridge will have commenced, running until Spring 2026.

This is the largest civil engineering project to happen in Edgeley since the 1950's - when the last bridge was replaced.

The Edgeley Community Association has done all it can over the last year to try to ensure the Council and Network Rail mitigate disruption to residents as much as possible.

Schemes are in place for road traffic and bus diversions as well as alternative routes for pedestrians and cyclists.

We have asked Highways to make significant changes to their proposed traffic management plan having listened to the concerns of residents. The main neighbourhood area of Edgeley will prohibit through traffic and will be access only for the duration of the works.

This is going to be a difficult twelve months for local businesses. We are pleased to confirm we have persuaded SMBC to provide hardship relief via business rates to local businesses on Castle Street.

More positive news; linked to this project, we have managed to secure a scheme to upgrade the walking & cycling route around Our Lady's Primary School and the top of Castle Street. This will include two new zebra crossings on the new roundabout.

The Edgeley Station mosaic sign will be replaced like for like. We are still

awaiting the final design for what the centre of the new roundabout will look like.

Your ECA Councillors are monitoring the works day to day. Network Rail and SMBC have set up dedicated e-mail and phone numbers for any issues that arise, we can assist if they aren't addressed promptly.

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**PARKING UPDATE  
PROPOSED RESIDENTS  
PARKING ZONE MON - FRI  
8AM - 6PM - NO FURTHER  
ACTION**

There was insufficient engagement with the consultation that went out to address daytime commuter parking in the neighbourhood area between King Street West and Grenville Street.

Turnout was around 17%, well below the necessary threshold to progress any further. **Thank you to those that took the time to engage.**

Hardman Street residents made strong representations in favour, and a single street scheme has now been proposed.

Your ECA Councillors will do their best to address problem parking as and when it occurs through introducing junction protection schemes on streets where it is most problematic.

**MATCHDAY PARKING  
ZONE**

As previously stated, the solution to the match day parking issue in Edgeley is intertwined with the planning application for Edgeley Park. There is still no date for when it is coming forward for determination as there is an impasse between the Football Club and the Council on a few final issues.

**BUDGET - COUNCIL TAX  
INCREASES AND BIN  
COLLECTION CHANGES**

At the budget meeting of all 63 Councillors at the Town Hall in February,



for green bin charges and moving blue bin collections to four weekly. We felt it

we voted on a number of important issues.

We voted **against** the proposals

was an ill thought out proposal and paper and cardboard collections moving to four weekly will result in difficulties for family households.

We will explore ways to reverse this decision in the future.

We abstained on a vote to increase rent and service charges for Council tenants. This was a vote of principle given some of the ongoing issues with SHG following the recent review. We had no choice but to support a Council tax increase of 4.99% given the deficit facing the Local Authority.

Around 75% of total local government spending in Stockport now goes towards adult social care and children's services. It's an unsustainable model and is in need of urgent reform by central government.

**OLD CHAPEL STREET &  
DANGEROUS DRIVING**

Residents have asked us to look at this again as previous engagement with Highways seeking protection for the junction with St Matthew's Road was unsuccessful.

We have now allocated 40% of our Ward Highways budget for the year to commission a full study into the issue of dangerous driving on Old Chapel Street between Grenville Street and York Street.

The report will identify what can be done to address these issues.



**HOLLYWOOD PARK -  
CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA  
UPGRADE COMPLETE**

The £40,000 works commissioned by the ECA are now complete. This included new perimeter fencing, footpaths and accessible play equipment. All guided by local parents. Turfing is due to be completed in the Spring.

**ALEXANDRA PARK  
AERATOR UPDATE**

After a number of frustrating delays, SMBC has now committed to the installation of an aerator in reservoir no3 in Alexandra Park.

It has been a long twelve months since the ECA allocated £10,000 of Ward funding to purchase a new aerator and SMBC has finally ordered a suitable power supply.

Alongside the aerator, new signs will be erected by the reservoir encouraging people to use appropriate feed for the wildlife.

We hope that these measures will improve oxygen levels in the reservoir and help support aquatic life.

**STOCKPORT MATCHSTICK  
MODEL BY CHEADLE  
HEATH RESIDENT MR  
EASTWOOD**

Cllr Caton and Cllr Wynne were delighted to attend the unveiling of a superb piece of public artwork.

Started during COVID lockdown and completed in 2024 Dave Eastwood crafted a scale model of Stockport Town Hall from thousands of match sticks! This is now on display at Stockport Town Hall for everyone to enjoy.



**STOCKPORT RAILWAY  
STATION**

At the last Central Area Committee, the ECA called in Network Rail and Avanti West Coast for updates on preparation for the closure of Greek Street Roundabout and proposed works to the station.



Photo taken on Platform 3 by Cllr Matt Wynne. One last sunset before spring!

We can now confirm that the underpass, ticket office and toilets will remain open during the times that the station will be closed.

Network Rail have now agreed to replace the lighting on Station Approach with new LED lighting. This will improve light coverage for railways commuters and residents passing through the station towards Stockport Town Centre and Grand Central.