## 222 - Miles Lane Extra Care Facility Presentation to the Parish Council Meeting ~ 24 April 2024

Mr Peter Collins (Project Manager - New Homes and Regeneration at Wigan Council Mr Keiren Massingham (representing M&Y, the building contractor)

Mr Peter Collins opened by reporting that the rate at which building was taking place had slowed down because of the weather over the past few months, but things were gradually progressing. The new road on the site would provide significantly improved access and egress from the clinic and the doctors' surgery. Discussions were taking place with the NHS about the possibility of increasing the number of car parking spaces at the clinic.

Mr Keiren Massingham updated the Parish Council on the community projects that M&Y had agreed to carry out:

- A football team belonging to Appley Bridge FC was being sponsored for a year.
- A disabled access gate was to be installed at Stockley Park.
- The work on the installation of the new kitchen at Shevington Methodist Church had not been up to standard M&Y would rectify this.
- A composting toilet was to be provided at Vicarage Lane Allotments.
- 50 crowd control barriers were being supplied for use during Shevington Fete.
- A donation from the proceeds of a charity football match would be made to the Crooke Village Residents Association.

The Co-opted Committee member from Crooke advised that the CVRA had put forward four small projects for consideration and for several months had been trying to arrange a site visit by M&Y to discuss them. They were grateful for M&Y's generosity in being willing to make a donation, but would prefer it if the work were to be carried out.

Mr Collins and Mr Massingham took questions.

A. A member observed that the parking of vehicles at the front was causing difficulties for local residents when trying to exit their properties. There were concerns that this would continue even after the project had been finished. A discussion about parking and ways of mitigating issues that might arise in the future followed.

Mr Collins informed the meeting that there would be a car park on site for the use of residents and visitors. He agreed to speak to Highways about the introduction of additional mitigations. The new road would continue as a Highways asset and would be maintained to a high standard.

- B. The Chairman asked whether a survey of existing drains had been carried out. He was assured that several surveys had been carried out.
- C. The Chairman observed that for several months there had appeared to have been a distinct lack of regular road sweeping, although it was currently better than it had been.

## Appendix A

It was explained that the weather conditions had meant that there was a great deal of mud on site and it had been difficult to keep the main road clear. Future work would be internal. This would help to reduce the amount of mud on the road.

- D. In reply to a question about the landscaping Mr Collins agreed to share the landscaping plan with the Council. He would send it to the Clerk for circulation.
- E. When asked whether all of the community jobs for M&Y had been allocated, Mr Collins expressed the view that all of the funds set aside for this might have been allocated.

As there were no further questions, Mr Collins invited the Parish Council to make a site visit in a few months' time. A good time would be once some of the units had been finished – perhaps after the Summer recess.