



**ASHLEY, EASTON AND LAWRENCE HILL
NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP
TUESDAY 12TH MARCH 2013 AT 6.30 P.M.
AT UNITARIAN HALL, BRUNSWICK SQUARE, BRISTOL**

PRESENT:

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COUNCILLORS				
Councillor F Choudhury	P	P	P	A
Councillor M Hickman	P	P	P	P
Councillor G Hoyt	P	P	P	A
Councillor B Hugill	A	A	A	A
Councillor J Kiely	P	P	A	P
Councillor J Rogers	P	P	P	P
PARTNERSHIP MEMBERS				
Mike Pickering (Goodpenny, Lawrence Hill)	P	P	A	P
Mike Chappell (Redcliffe, Lawrence Hill/SRWG)	P	A	A	A
Vacant (Redcliffe, Lawrence Hill)				
Dominic Murphy (The Dings, Lawrence Hill) Deputy Chair	P	P	P	P
Hannah Purbrick (Central, Easton)	A	P	A	P
Anna McMullen (Central, Easton)		P	A	P
Cristina Crossingham (Central, Easton)				P
Vacant (Central, Easton)				
Jan Deverell (Greenbank, Easton)	A	A	A	P
Alex Milne (Redfield, Easton)	P	P	P	P
Joyce Clark (Redfield, Easton)	P	P	A	P
Jo Curtis (Redfield, Easton)	P	P	A	P
Musnilya Babatunji (St Pauls, Ashley)	P	P	A	A
Lisa Blackwood (St Pauls, Ashley)	A	P	A	P
Vacant (St Pauls, Ashley)				
Jackie Griffith (St Pauls, Ashley)	P	P	P	P
Maryanne Kempf (St Pauls, Ashley)	P	P	P	P
Ben Wood (St Pauls, Ashley)				P
Mohamud Mumin (St Pauls, Ashley)	P	A	P	P
Pete Bullard (St Pauls, Ashley)	A	P	P	P
Lori Streich (St Werburghs, Ashley)		P	P	P
Henry Bassadone (St Werburghs, Ashley)	P	A	P	A
Vacant (Montpelier, Ashley)				
Vacant (St Andrews, Ashley)				
Peers Woollen (Equalities Rep)	P	P	P	P
Vacant (Equalities Rep)				
Vishal Mangai (Youth Rep)		P	P	A
Ramal Royal (Youth Rep)			P	A
Community/Voluntary Sector Partners				
Richard Curtis (Church Road Action Group)	P	P	P	P
Rev Barrie Green (St Pauls, Faith Rep)	P	P	P	A
Joanna Holmes (Barton Hill Settlement)	P	A	P	A
Ian Lawry/Margaret Castle (Wellspring)	A	A	P	A
Abdullahi Farah (Somali Resource Centre)	A	P	A	P

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Business/Private Sector Partners				
Jane Brewerton (Traders, Stokes Croft)	P	A	A	A
Abdul Malik (Traders, Easton)	A	A	A	A
Sonny Richard (Retailer, Lawrence Hill)			A	P
Vacant (Retailer, National/Multi National)				
Vacant (business, non retail)				
Vacant (business, non retail)				
Statutory Providers Partners				
Vacancy (Registered Social Landlord)				
Chris Regan/David Deakin (A and S Police)	P	P	P	P
Lindsey Dowdell (EC3, CYPS)	A	P	A	P
Mohammed Elsherif (NHS Bristol)	A	A	A	A
Officers Supporting the Partnership				
Penny Germon (Neighbourhood Manager)	P	P	P	P
Richard Jones (Democratic Services)	P	P	P	P
Richard Fletcher (Environment & Leisure)	P	P		
Shaun Taylor (Traffic Management)	P	A		P
Andrew Whitehead (Traffic Management)	P	A		
Tracey Morgan (Neighbourhoods, BCC)		P		
Trudy Feeney (Neighbourhoods, BCC)		P		
Gemma Dando (Neighbourhoods, BCC)		P		
Gillian Douglas (Neighbourhoods, BCC)		P		P
Gary Collins (City Development, BCC)			P	
Residents in Attendance Making Statements				

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS, APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Maryanne, welcomed all to the meeting, and following introductions received apologies.

The Chair also welcomed Sonny Richards and Cristina Crossingham, on behalf of the Partnership to their first meeting.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - None.

3. MINUTES OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP HELD ON 27TH NOVEMBER 2012

AGREED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 27th November 2012 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair, subject to amendment to the attendance list recording Mike Pickering as present at the last meeting and Jane Brewerton as absent.

4. PUBLIC FORUM

The Partnership noted the following public Forum Statement, which was considered under Item no 7 below on the agenda.

Agenda Item No	Issue	Name	Statement No
	Proposed 'trial closure of Prospect Place & Stepney Road, Whitehall	Caroline Bennett	1

5. COMMISSIONING HEALTH SERVICES IN ASHLEY, EASTON AND LAWRENCE HILL

RESOLVED – that this item be deferred to a future meeting of the Partnership.
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6. POPULATION GROWTH COMMUNITY SAFETY AND COMMUNITY COHESION

The Neighbourhood Partnership received a verbal presentation (Agenda Item No. 6) from Gillian Douglas, Interim Service Director, Safer Bristol and Ian Quaife, Community Cohesion Manager on safer Bristol.

During a detailed presentation the following points were highlighted:

- There were at least 33 religions and at least 55 countries of birth represented in Ashley, Easton and Lawrence Hill, with at least 85 main languages spoken;
- It was noted that English is the main language spoken followed by Somali and Polish;
- Since 2001 the population of Ashley, Easton and Lawrence Hill had increased from 38,814 to 48,708 an increase of 9,894 or 25% since the last census;
- The majority of the increase in population had been in Lawrence Hill ward which had seen an increase of 5,763;
- The BME population made up 44% of the population in the Neighbourhood Partnership Area; this as a comparison of Bristol's average of 16%;
- The largest increase since 2001 had been in Black African (+4,802), Black Other (2,976);
- It was noted that the Somali population had not been shown as a separate ethnic group and are included in both the black African and black other group;
- Ashley ward had the most established non-UK born population with 46% having lived in the area for more than 10 years;
- In response to a question on the quality of life survey, it was noted that the fear of crime figure for the partnership area had reduced across the Neighbourhood Partnership area;
- The Partnership noted that a number of walkabouts had been undertaken by Community Support Officers in response to concerns that had been raised regarding cleansing and anti-social behaviour;
- It was also noted that the community support offices had supported work of the Easton and Lawrence Hill Neighbourhood Management who undertook a survey to seek the views of people using Stapleton Road, which revealed that 43% of those people surveyed thought that Stapleton Road had improved over the last year;
- The increased police presence on Stapleton Road had made a significant difference to the sense of safety and the overall reductions in crime, anti-social behaviour and violence; and
- The Partnership also noted the update from the four Neighbourhood Priorities:

- A safer Stapleton Road;
- Reducing the negative impact of drug dealing, drug use and street drinking on the lives of local communities;
- Reducing the negative impact of street sex work on the lives of the local communities; and
- Increasing the safety of young people.

Housing is an important community cohesion issue – how people are allocated housing, and who gets housing.

Gillian concluded by inviting Neighbourhood Partnership members to feedback community safety concerns or priorities to Safer Bristol via Penny (Area Co-ordinator).

Following the discussion it was **RESOLVED – that the report and comments be noted.**

7. HIGHWAYS REPORT

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered a report of the Service Director, Transport Services (Agenda Item No. 7) setting out the highways report.

Shaun Taylor asked that Councillors to agree to an allocating for ‘lines and signs’.

The Chair read out the public forum statement from residents of Westminster road.

Peers indicated that as a resident of Westminster Road she had not received any information about the proposals. Councillor Kiely confirmed that information had been put through all doors on several occasions.

The consensus of the meeting was that residents should be contacted within the next couple of weeks clarifying the current position and next steps. A public meeting should be arranged to facilitate discussion and aim to find a solution which most people would feel able to support.

Following the discussion it was **RESOLVED –**

- (1) that the 2013/14 work programmes for carriageway surface dressing be agreed;**
- (2) that the footway schemes are delayed until later in the year be noted;**
- (3) that the schemes that will be delivered in the Ashley, Easton and Lawrence Hill Neighbourhood Partnership area in 2013/14 be noted;**

- (4) that a pause in decision making of 12 months is needed in order to deliver this year's work programme be noted. The team are committed to using the pause to deliver all outstanding schemes in the area. Devolved funding will be carried forward and identification of new schemes will start in late 2013;**
- (5) that s106 traffic management schemes with deadlines before July 2014 can be chosen during this period and will be programmed into the work schedule be noted.**
- (6) Councillors approved an allocation of £,1500 for lines and signs from the devolved highways budget;**
- (7) Public Forum Statement – Westminster Road**

- (a) Highways to produce and distribute an update for local residents making clear what has happened to date, next steps and timetable. This should happen within the next couple of weeks – Action: Shaun Taylor**
- (b) Draw up options which will accommodate both 'sides' – those for and those against the current proposals which will be discussed at a public meeting to be held in the area or as near to the area as possible. Action: Shaun Taylor.**

8. NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP REPORT

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered a report of Penny Germon, Area Co-ordinator, Neighbourhoods & Communities, Neighbourhoods Directorate (Agenda Item No. 8) giving an update on the following issues since the last meeting.

RESOLVED:

- (1) that the Neighbourhood Forum feedback and the key issues raised be noted;**
- (2) that the outcome of the planning tribunal regarding the sub-division of family housing in Easton and Lawrence Hill be noted and that a letter be drafted to be sent to the Secretary of State expressing concerns at the implications of the tribunal decision;**
- (3) that the update from the Stapleton Road Working Group, Environment Group and Highways Sub-Groups be noted;**
- (4) elect Cristina Crossingham (Resident E&LH) Knightstone Housing Association (social housing representative) and community and voluntary sector nomination to the Neighbourhood Partnership;**

- (5) that the performance management action tracker be noted;
- (6) Two options for sharing information with residents were presented. Feedback should be sent to the Area Co-ordinator as soon as possible;
- (7) that the process for agreeing Neighbourhood Working Priorities be noted; and
- (8) that information about Celebrating Age be noted.

9. NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP REVIEW

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered a report of Penny Germon, Area Co-ordinator, Neighbourhoods and Communities (Agenda Item No. 9) setting out the neighbourhood partnership review.

Following the discussion it was **RESOLVED** – with the proposed amendments the report was an accurate summary of the key issues and should be submitted as the formal response from the Neighbourhood Partnership to the city-wide consultation.

10. DEVOLVED SERVICES REPORT

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered a report of Penny Germon, Area Co-ordinator, Neighbourhoods and Communities (Agenda Item No. 10) setting out the devolved services report.

RESOLVED:

- (1) Councillors agreed that the update regarding the Lawrence Hill underpass be noted. The Clean and Green allocation to improve the signage continue to be available. If it is not required it will be reallocated in the new financial year;
- (2) that approved from 1st January 2013, Ashley, Easton and Lawrence Hill Neighbourhood Partnership accepts responsibility for decisions over the spending of devolved Community Infrastructure Levy (CiL) receipts that are received from the developments taking place within the Neighbourhood Partnership area;
- (3) that the availability of devolved S106 funding be noted;
- (4) Councillors agreed that £18,000 of the Wellbeing Fund for 2013/14 be allocated to the small grants Wellbeing Grants Panel; and
- (5) Councillors agreed that £1,500 of the Wellbeing Fund for 2013/14 be allocated to the running of the Stapleton Road Working Group.

11. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

Noted that the next meeting would be held on Wednesday 26th June 2013.

(The meeting ended at 8.25 pm)

CHAIR