## **BCR NP Gloucester Road Street Scene Group report October 2012**

	The NP is asked to note progress with 2 <sup>nd</sup> year objectives :-				
2 <sup>nd</sup> year objectives	June report	October update			
☑ to remove any residual graffiti and remove new graffiti within the week, if possible	Mostly achieved for large tags but smaller ones are accumulating Large pebble dashed sides of buildings can be a challenge!	<ul> <li>for the last month all larger new graffiti has been reported and cleaned within one or two days</li> <li>Two walls with graffiti on pebble dash had graffiti removed by specialist company ( Nordic)</li> <li>It is usually the multinational shops who report graffiti to their property companies for removal that have residual and accumulating graffiti. It takes several visits and sometimes direct communication with head offices to get any action.</li> <li>Graffiti tags have become quite small, sometimes in surprising places! These are mostly cleaned by a volunteer.</li> <li>Oct 4<sup>th</sup> Very large anti- supermarket / Morrisons slogans painted over two hoardings. Police put in touch with BCHF Site manager who was concerned that additional security was needed.</li> </ul>			
☑ to establish sustainable methods of working to move from volunteer led fly poster and graffiti reporting and cleaning to property owner and BCC led responsibility.	<ul> <li>work in progress but no reportable outcomes</li> <li>Major concerns are the policies of both BT and Post office in relation to their boxes</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Plyposting takes place on Thursday and Friday afternoon / evening mostly. It is unusual now to see any flyposters by Monday.</li> <li>In the last 3 months there have only been a handful of larger posters.</li> <li>Volunteers are going to be requested to do another weekly count to compare with last year. Then the PSP re flyposting can be closed by the NDT.</li> <li>The two road sweepers are taking a greater pride in the road. Regular contact with the sweepers and informing them what is being done by the group has proved beneficial. They are reporting more to May Gurney to be done.</li> <li>CCTV coverage is being investigated by police and enforcement officer to see if offenders of new larger tags can be identified as it is now possible to give fairly precise time when the offence occurred. Secondly A frame monitoring could be done as it is on White ladies road.</li> <li>If there is a "dead "spot then additional funding for another camera will be sort.</li> </ul>			
☑ to tackle the problem of lamppost advertising stickers.	No progress to date	<ul> <li>Lampposts from Cheltenham Road Arches to Berkeley Rd have been stripped of advertising stickers, repainted and an AGC applied by Nordic Pioneer.</li> <li>There is not enough money left in Glos road fund to pay for Berekely rd to Rudthorpe to be done at present. This work is best done when there are lighter mornings so work can start by 6am at the latest.</li> </ul>			

		☐ It is planned to apply for part funding from wellbeing or Clean and green funds for 2013/14 so this work can be done in spring 2013
	Overall progress is slow. Some successes like improvements in Cromwell road but some of May Gurney actions have not helped. e.g. *Delivering new recycling bins	Domestic waste  ☐ The increase in BCC bins, recycling boxes left on street reported in June due to May Gurney delivering to flats who previous had bag collection has reduced. ☐ It needs to be noted that anyone can ask for a new bin and as long as they indicate there is somewhere for it to be stored it will be delivered.
	and wheelie bins to flats who are on bag collections. Now trying to get them removed  *Getting fly tipping picked up can be	<ul> <li>Pick up of fly tipping or black bags left on street has improved considerably.</li> <li>It was noted that on Sunday Sept 23<sup>rd</sup> during the weekly Sunday monitoring that for the first time since the project began there were no black bags left on the street.</li> <li>Trade waste</li> </ul>
	slow.	Although progress has been made with individual shops regarding trade waste, mostly overfilled insecure bins the major problem of trade bins on the promenade is not proving easy to solve.
		②The new chairman of the Gloucester Rd Traders association is assisting the enforcement officer to convene a meeting with traders from both sides of the promenade that have bins on the promenade.
		② One trade waste company which has a bag collection three days a week has changed it 's collection time from mornings ( after parking restrictions lifted ) to after 6.30 pm . This has reduced the number of bags on the street. A non officer member of the group has been promoting this company to new shops opening and trying to encourage the company rep to make use of the Glos Rd Traders email system to promote their company / service.
☑ to complete £30,000 improvement project to the lower end of Gloucester Road.	<ul> <li>Consultation with traders and forums completed by Street Scene Group. May 2012</li> <li>Project in final planning stages with Francis Mann BCC Transport officer.</li> </ul>	No discernible progress since June
<ul> <li>to develop an agreed operational policy for Street Scene volunteers working with BCC and the police</li> <li>to seek public liability for the street volunteers.</li> </ul>	It is proposed that these two item becomes the responsibility of the new BCR Street scene sub group.	See BCR Street Scene report re public liability.



## BCR Neighbourhood Partnership Street Scene Group

**October 2012 Report** 

	October 2012 Report Items		
	icems	Lead / action By	
Gene	eral Items	,	
	Core group is being chaired by Liz Kew (EK) pro temp		
	Members: Trudy Feeney (TF), Martin Lawrence( ML), Lyn Parfitt (LP), Andrew		
	McGrath (AM) Tim Chinnick (TC) Cllrs Fi Hance (FH) and David Willingham(DW)		
	Sgt Sean Underwood (SU) / PC Alex Owen (AO) PCSO Nadine Horton (NH)		
	Farhan Ahmed is off on sick leave so has not yet joined the group		
2.	Area Environmental officer (AEO) Tim Chinnick started September 17		
	Public Liability for volunteers. Progress in being made.		
•	AM has raised this with the Area Co-ordinators group and a formal response from	AM/TC	
	senior officers requested.		
•	TC was informed by other AEO's that as long as one member of a volunteer group		
	doing work on streets etc. for BCC has passed a basic Safety course (involves risk		
	assessments etc.) then the group working together has automatic BCC public		
	liability cover. The same applies for a lone volunteer working. Also if an Officer is		
	in attendance, the whole group is covered.		
•	This policy was known for Parks, so confirmation is being requested (in writing)		
	that people working in public streets, using paint and graffiti remover are covered		
	once a basic safety course has been completed.		
•	TC is investigating when and where these safety courses are being run.		
4.	Publicity		
•	Flyer sent to C&E group meeting on September 18 <sup>th</sup> for comment.	Complete	
•	Information about new group in Bishopston Society summer newsletter		
•	EK spoke at Bishopston AGM on September 24 <sup>th</sup>		
•	Bishopston Matters attended the Oct 3 <sup>rd</sup> meeting.		
5.	Wednesday October 3 <sup>rd</sup> 1 <sup>st</sup> residents meeting		
•	17 residents, 3 officers, and I Cllr. attended the meeting and nine others sent	Complete	
	apologies and wished to become street champions.	•	
•	Information on University grants circulated at meeting and to RCAS		
•	Date of next meeting <b>Thursday November 29</b> <sup>th</sup> <b>6.30 pm</b>		
6.	Waste Plan	AEO	
•	Tim Chinnick ,AEO, briefly presented the outline of the purpose of the waste plan		
	at residents meeting October 3 <sup>rd</sup>		
•	Longer meeting scheduled for November 29 <sup>th</sup> at RBS in conjunction with 2 <sup>nd</sup>		
	Street Scene meeting		
Bisho	opston Ward No of Street champions = 1		
	Ashley Down Road		
•	W/B September 10th. Nordic Pioneer applied AGC to Coms boxes, Lampposts and	Complete	
	BCC black wheelie bins		
	EK removed 21 lamppost fly posters (Black Swan for October) and 4 A4 posters		
	from wheelie bins Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> .		

•	LP raised the on-going issue of litter in the un-adopted Arthur Milton Street. TF confirmed that BCC do not sweep or install litter bins in un-adopted roads. DW was of the opinion that it was the responsibility of the management company rather than the developer to maintain the area.	DW/LP
8.	<b>Dirac Road</b> is possibly to become a NW. EK asked PCSO David Said to ask residents if any one wished to be a Street Champion for Dirac and Ashley Down	EK/ DS
	m ward No of Street champions = 7	
	Cheltenham Road	
•	W/B September 10th. Nordic Pioneer applied AGC to Coms boxes, Lamposts and BCC black wheelie bins on Cotham side of Cheltenham road.	Complete
•	EK removed fly posters (Black Swan for October) from 5 sites Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> . More	ongoing
	on Ashley side. Need to recruit volunteers to assist with removing fly posters.	
•	Cllr Negus refused to allow Nordic Pioneer to clean Ashley Ward side . EK to request funds from Ashley Ward for spring 2013	EK /ongoing
10.	Arley Hill	
•	Cllr Negus reported at Cotham Forum a proposal to install community bins to	Cllrs/ongoing
	reduce number of wheelie bins on street.	Complete
•	9/9/12 EK reported council property x 6 with graffiti for cleaning + 1 private residence. All done next day.	Complete
11.	Cotham Brow.	
•	Grey wall at bottom of road by Kingsley road to be painted a single colour rather	EK/ ongoing
	than a series of squares. Work to be done by community pay back possibly Sunday October 21 <sup>st</sup> . Still awaiting confirmation.	
	October 21 . Still awaiting commitmation.	
Redla	nd ward No of Street champions = 10	
12.	North Road and Overton road	
•	Graffiti hot spot for last few months. Police informed.	
•	Systematically removing old graffiti and quickly removing new tags.	C   -   -
•	103 Car park - Community pay back to paint and clear vegetation and rubbish Sept 28 <sup>th</sup>	Complete
•	Hobgoblin pub – permission given by Enterprise Inns for old tagged street art to be painted. One wall to be painted sandstone and other green to link in with Portico play. This will be a blank canvas for any new tenant if street art wanted.  Portico play – owner has no paint. Cannot find artist. Clive Stevens helped with paint matching. EK to ask for volunteers to help paint over tags.	EK /ongoing
13.	Cromwell road	
•	1-3 Glos rd car park off Cromwell road . 11 student flats , waste and graffiti issues. Problems contacting owner. Need to install Mini recycle centre and remove recycling boxes.	EK /TF
•	Rear of Arches Fish and Chip shop High graffiti at rear  EK has been unable to get owner to agree to removing large graffiti tags. TF to	TF
•	contact owner. If not successful consider planning enforcement.  Pebble dashed side wall of First steps. Nordic pressured washed with excellent result	Complete

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