



AGENDA ITEM NO. 10

DUNDRY VIEW NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP

Monday 9th December 2013

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Recommendations

1. To note the Neighbourhood Forums held in November and that issues raised will be tabled at the 9th November NP meeting. **(Item 1)**
2. To note the information and consultation programme being delivered by the Bishopsworth Pool Steering Group on the Indoor Skate Park/village hub proposal and to approve the recommendation to hold an extra NP meeting on Monday 10th February 2014 **(Item 2)**
3. To note the re-scheduled proposal to set up a further Youth and Play sub-group meeting and updated information about work to secure the future of Hareclive Youth Centre **(Items 3 & 4)**
4. To note the update on the progress on Action Plan development and plans for a second event in the New Year **(item 5)**
5. To note the situation with plans to develop local improvements to our NP and to note the situation with the citywide NP review **(item 6)**
6. To note information about the active consultation on the Mayor's Budget proposals for 2014-2017 **(Item 7)**
7. To note the update on representation of Dundry View NP at the National Democracy Week event on 15th October **(item 8)**
8. To note the reminder about the invitation to take part in Bristol European Green Capital 2015 and to agree the recommendation to develop an NP response through the Pride of Place Group **(item 9)**

1. November Neighbourhood Forums

Neighbourhood Forums took place in November 2013 on 25th (Whitchurch Park); 26th (Bishopsworth) and 28th (Hartcliffe). Issues raised will be tabled at

the 9th December Neighbourhood Partnership meeting.

2. Bishopworth Pool Update

2.1 At the 8th October Steering Group meeting the following programme of information sharing and consultation was agreed:

When do we consult: New Year 2014

What are we consulting on?

The Steering Group is putting forward the proposal to create an Indoor Skate Park in the existing building and develop a 'village hub/parking/war memorial' space on the rest of the site. We are asking people to indicate the degree of support or opposition to this proposal as:

support a lot; support a little; oppose a little; oppose a lot

and to ask for additional comments/concerns/issues and indications of interest in developing the village hub element

Who do we need/want to consult

- Neighbours in immediate area of Bishopsworth Pool site
- Young people – via schools and groups
- General adult population
- Local businesses
- BCC Parks and streetscene
- Voluntary/Community groups
- Youth service providers: LPW
- Police

How do we want to raise awareness and consult?

Awareness Raising

- Article in issue 54 of WHAM – distribution first half of Nov
- leaflet drops
- Newspaper and radio articles
- Banners/posters
- Visits to Transitions Winterbourne skate park – including one for residents surrounding B'worth Pool site

- **Information drop-in event:** at Headley Park Church Hall on **Saturday 11th January**, 10.00am – 1.00pm; 3 x presentations from Transitions CiC and Steering Group, with questions, comments etc. To help people be informed and to launch the consultation.

Consultation

- Have an online 'Survey Monkey' vote – for people with IT/smartphones
- Have a week of collecting paper 'votes' or 'returns'
- Do votes in schools through the School Council
- **Hold a mid-Winter Saturday Market/Fayre** as 'dry run' village hub-type event on **Saturday 18th January** on the Bishopsworth Pool site. Have a stall there where people can submit their opinion. Winter Fayre will have: two childrens Fair Ground rides; burger van; donut van; cupcakes stall; face painting; refreshments (tea, coffee, non-alcoholic mulled 'wine'; 'Winter Garden' chalk area; history table; candy floss; and Transitions CIC display.
- An alternative venue in Headley Church Hall is organised in the event of bad weather forecasts.

Final report to the NP for decision and forwarding to BCC for final approval

The Steering Group wishes to submit a final report to the NP in February 2014.

Recommendation: that the NP agrees to hold an additional NP meeting on Monday 10th February 2014 to consider this final report and to make a decision to forward to BCC for final approval.

2.2 Transitions CIC has submitted a Business Case to John Bos, the Community Buildings Manager outlining their plans for using the Pool building as an indoor Skate Park, café, skate shop and art workshop space.

3. Dundry View Bristol Youth Links

The Youth and Play sub-group has still not met. It's now proposed to hold a meeting with Learning Partnership West in January 2014.

4. Hareclive Youth Centre and Community Asset Transfer update

The City Council is considering whether it wants to declare the Hareclive Youth Centre as surplus to requirements – and therefore available for a

Community Asset Transfer process – or not.

There is interest in using the building from Hareclive Primary Academy; Hartcliffe Childrens Centre and Nursery and from Kids Company.

It's possible that Childrens and Young People Services could lease the building to a single one or combination of the above organisations as a venue to deliver their services. A condition which CYPS would want to ensure happens would include a requirement to provide maximum benefit to young people as a part of any lease.

An informal exploratory meeting took place on 12th November with local councillors and the Hareclive Primary Academy; Hartcliffe Childrens Centre and Nursery and Kids Company to explore how each would want to use the building and what sort of benefit each might offer young people. A report has been sent to Rose Richards from this meeting. She is now considering:

- If CYPS intends to declare the building surplus to requirements or not
- How they will get formal proposals from organisations interested in either leasing the building or proposing a Community Asset Transfer for it – and how they will assess them.
- Rose Richards has been asked to consider how any process they develop could include the Neighbourhood Partnership and local community/young people representation

5. Action Plan development

5.1 Parks priorities: the Pride of Place group has done further work with the ideas put forward at the 7th September workshop to develop a new priorities plan. Further work will take place during December and January and brought to the March 2014 NP meeting for adoption.

5.2 The highways prioritisation work from the September workshop has been fed into the Transport Group and is reflected in the proposals in Item 6

5.3 A final workshop report is still to be produced. It's proposed that this could be brought to the additional **10th February 2014 NP meeting**

5.4 Date for the second workshops to focus on community cohesion; older people's priorities, employment and work and communication have not yet been set.

6. Neighbourhood Partnership Review: local and city-wide developments

6.1 Local NP improvements

The recommended meeting to consider local improvements has not yet taken place and will now take place in the New Year.

6.2 City-wide NP developments

There were a wide range of findings from the Neighbourhood Partnership consultation we undertook earlier this year.

The further development and implementation of some of the findings around governance and devolution have not been actively progressed due to the timing of both the Bristol City Council 3 year budget and the Boundary Commissions Boundary Review of Bristol.

The Boundary Commission will, following the conclusion of their review recommend future ward boundaries and councillor numbers that take into account changes to the city's population and the introduction of the mayoral governance model.

We are inputting the perspective of Neighbourhood Partnerships into these wider discussions but clearly cannot progress anything independently of such significant citywide reviews.

However, there are areas of the review findings which the team have worked on which can be progressed within the current context:

- Training for NP members
- Using resources more effectively
- Making forums work better.
- Improve equalities understanding and performance

We will work with partnerships over the next period to deliver the above.

7. Budget Consultation.

The City Council's budget for the next three years will focus on delivering vital services and investing in the future of Bristol.

However the city faces a difficult challenge to save £90m, due to cuts in government grants and an increased demand for our services.

The Mayor of Bristol and Cabinet have examined all of the council's income and expenditure and published a full set of budget proposals on Monday, 18 November detailing how, where and when savings are to be made.

At public meetings to be held 26, 27, 28 and 29 November George Ferguson, Mayor of Bristol, will give an overview of his budget proposals and then take questions from attendees.

An additional daytime event has also been arranged:

Thursday 19th December	City Hall, College Green BS1 5TR	1.00pm – 2.00 pm
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The Mayor is keen to listen to the views of as many people as possible during the consultation period which closes 30 December 2013 before publishing a final set of proposals for debate at Full Council in February. Nothing will be decided until the budget is approved.

To access the budget online please go to:

www.bristol.gov.uk/budget

Paper copies of the consultation information and questionnaire are available at both Hartcliffe and Bishopsworth libraries. There is a Freepost address for the return of paper copies.

8. National Democracy Week: 14th – 20th October 2013

8.1 Local Democracy Week Event: **15 October 2013**

Heather Williams successfully represented Dundry View at this event, describing the collaborative work which took place between residents, the Neighbourhood Partnership and services to produce improvements in Ilchester Crescent and St Augustine's Park.

9. Bristol European Green Capital 2015 – Reminder

9.1 Bristol was awarded the title of European Green Capital 2015 in June 2013. Only five other cities have received this prestigious award and Bristol is the first UK city to have held the title.

9.2 What we would like from Neighbourhood Partnerships?

We would like Neighbourhood Partnerships to start thinking about how they would like to celebrate the Bristol being the European Green Capital in 2015.

Do you have any events or activities planned that can incorporate a green theme? What projects and initiatives would you like to start in 2015 that can create improvements in the quality of life long after the year ends?

We would like to establish a Neighbourhood Partnership working group to bring together ideas for events and activities to ensure that the 2015 programme serves every community and ask that the partnership nominate one member to take part in this.

Recommendation: That the Pride of Place Group consider these requests at its December and January meetings and put forward a recommendation to the subsequent NP meeting for approval.