AGENDA ITEM NO.2



MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE DUNDRY VIEW NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP HELD ON MONDAY 9TH DECEMBER 2013 AT 7.00 P.M.

PRESENT:

Ward Councillors:

P. Councillor Eddy
A. Councillor Quartley
Bishopsworth Ward
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Hartcliffe Ward
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Hartcliffe Ward

P. Councillor Holland Whitchurch Park Ward P. Councillor Kent Whitchurch Park Ward

Other members of Partnership:

P. Diana PorterP. Don SmithP. Bob GilesResident (Bishopsworth)Resident (Hartcliffe)

P. Geoff Woodburn Resident (Whitchurch Park)

P. Mike Knight Local business

P. Lorraine Horgan Resident (Hartcliffe)

P. Insp. Nigel Colston Avon & Somerset Constabulary

A. TBC Voluntary Sector rep
A. TBC Equalities representative

Officer Attendance:

Keith Houghton BCC Area Co-ordinator
lan Pagan BCC Democratic Services

Helen Wigginton BCC Transport Planning Officer

Heather Williams Community Partnership Manager, HWCP Emily Smith Neighbourhood Working Co-ordinator

Julian Cox Area Environment Officer

14 members of the public were in attendance.

1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Chair welcomed councillors, partners and members of the public to the meeting.

NEIGHBOURHOOD COMMITTEE ITEMS

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP HELD ON 30TH SEPTEMBER 2013

AGREED -

That the minutes of the meeting held on 30th September 2013 be agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

Matters arising:

<u>Bishopsworth Pool site – Letter to Mayor</u>

The Chair informed the meeting of the content of the Mayor's response to her letter. This seemed to indicate that the decision about the site would be taken corporately, rather than the matter being delegated to the Partnership

Kings Head Lane/Headley Lane Parks works

The Parks Manager had undertaken to cover the funding shortfall for the works from the central budget for parks.

<u>S106 monies – Headley Park Lane to Imperial Park</u>

The Area Co-ordinator indicated that officers were looking at 3 potential schemes; Mr Way had proposed a fourth. The Council had now been asked to price up all 4 options in order that a decision can then be taken on how to spend the budget.

Resident representatives

Now being considered as part of the Council's review of neighbourhood arrangements.

St Peters Rise

Repairs to the concrete section of this road had been taken up with Highways and would be pursued. It was likely that this work would be a longer term project.

Bishport Avenue traffic scheme

The Chair commented that she had been informed by Neil Terry that the Quality Assurance Board was a new Council process to ensure that it obtains value for money. It should not override the neighbourhood partnership's priorities.

<u>Traffic scheme overspend</u>

Pressure would continue to be brought to bear to ensure that the total overspend of £8,424.76 was met centrally rather than just the £6,000 that had been promised.

<u>Vacancy for Whitchurch Park member / Voluntary Sector member/Equalities representative</u>

The Area Co-ordinator commented that there had been no volunteers to fill the current Whitchurch Park vacancy, at the Neighbourhood Forum meeting on 25 November. A vacancy therefore remains. Jean Erskine, the Vol Sector member, has retired from HWCPand there is a vacancy and Hannah Cheek, the Equalities representative, has also left the area.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Pickup indicated that he was a director of HAWKS.

4. PUBLIC FORUM

None had been received by the formal deadline.

With the agreement of the Partnership, Lorraine Bush of HAWKSpring addressed the meeting. She explained that following the commissioning by the Council of Youth Links as its core service provider, her organisation together with KWADS had joined together as a community based and family focussed provider of substance misuse support.

Working out of the @symes Community Building, the group provided a one stop shop offer to local people. They had secured 6-8 months of funding to enable them to get their service off the ground.

The Partnership wished Lorraine luck with the new venture.

5. NEIGHBOURHOOD WORKING PRIORITIES

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered a report of the Neighbourhood Working Co-ordinator, (Agenda Item No. 5) setting out the Neighbourhood working priorities.

Emily Smith presented the report. During the ensuing discussion, particular reference was made to the following:

- Whilst the objective was to identify up to 10 priorities in total, experience from area co-ordinators in central and north Bristol suggested that this was probably too many and that a target number of 6 or 7 priorities was more realistic;
- On increasing recycling rates (a priority identified last time)
 officers explained that in relation to the walk up flats at Borleyton
 and Faber, the intention was to introduce mini-recycling centres
 from February. Residents were being informed and care takers
 had been briefed and were prepared to take on the scheme.
 Recycling rates would be closely monitored and if the approach
 was successful, it would provide a blueprint for rolling out to the
 other walk up flats in Dundry View;
- In relation to drug dealing and misuse a member wondered what value might be added by the Partnership identifying it as a priority for action. Inspector Colston explained the work of the Police in combatting drugs in the area and forthcoming Police organisational change, where tackling drugs was likely to become a headquarters departmental responsibility. This could enhance the support available in areas with particular drugs problems such as Hartcliffe;
- Problem parking on pavements and outside schools were considered to be elements of the same issue and the general view was that they should be taken together. Inspector Colston indicated that from a Police perspective this would be a sensible approach. Noting the time taken to create and approve traffic regulation orders, a member commented that he had asked the

Mayor to consider a city wide order, which would control parking in the vicinity of all schools;

- It was agreed that hate crime was an issue of concern (and the subject of a report later on the agenda). The Area Co-ordinator suggested that rather than include it in the priority list, it should continue to be addressed through ongoing neighbourhood working. This was agreed;
- There was a general discussion about hate crime and the link with domestic abuse. Dealing with both issues was regarded as a priority for the community. Inspector Colson advised that tacking both was also a priority for the Police & Crime Commissioner. A member of the public wondered whether, as these were essentially police issues, the Partnership's priorities should be focussed on more easily achievable goals;
- The Chair proposed that for a future meeting, the agencies involved in dealing with hate crimes and domestic abuse should be asked to provide a presentation on their work in the Partnership's area and explain how they work together in dealing with such issues. This was agreed;
- It was proposed and agreed that priorities 4 (illegal use of motorbikes) and 6 (anti-social behaviour) should be brought together - 4 was essentially an specific example of anti-social behaviour;
- In relation to speeding (priority 5), Inspector Colston indicated that in his experience, it was often an issue of public perception that drivers were speeding when they were not. The community speed watch initiative was a good way of managing and monitoring the speed of local traffic and he recommended that communities should take advantage of this scheme.

After discussion it was

RESOLVED -

- (1) That progress to date on the three neighbourhood working priorities chosen from the waste plan in September be noted;
- (2) That the following additional neighbourhood working priorities for the Partnership be agreed:

Priority no. as identified in	Description of issue
Appendix B to the report	
1 & 2	Parking issues.
6 & 4	Anti-social behaviour, to include dealing with problems caused by illegal use of motorbikes.
8	Drug dealing and use.
10	Domestic abuse and violence against the person.
3	Dog fouling – to be incorporated within the previously agreed priorities of dealing with excessive litter and recycling.

(3) That the following priorities be not included at the present time;

Priority no. as identified in Appendix B to the report	Description of issue and reason for non-inclusion (where stated):
5	Speeding – more a perceived problem than an actual issue. Use of speed watch initiative to be encouraged.
9.	Overgrown hedges
11.	Hate crime – already a priority in neighbourhood working

(4) That the agencies involved in dealing with hate crimes and domestic abuse should be asked to provide a presentation at a future meeting, on their work in the Partnership's area and how they work together in dealing with such issues.

Action: AC to co-ordinate for March meeting

6. POLICE CHANGES

At the invitation of the Chair, Inspector Colston addressed the meeting on proposed changes for policing in the area. He made particular reference to the following:

- A lot of police support services were currently available during office hours. The police service was a 24/7 service and therefore these support arrangements were being reviewed to ensure that they were better tailored to meet the demands of the public;
- Changes to the Force overall would be wide ranging; 70% of the Service would be affected and it would look considerably different in 18 month's time when the review had been completed;
- Local policing would be affected, however Insp.Colston had received assurances that there would not be a reduction in the overall level of policing support available at neighbourhood level. The main changes would be a deletion of neighbourhood inspectors. Sergeants and PCSO's would be retained and would keep their current beats. However their beat patterns would be changing;
- In place of neighbourhood inspectors, there would be a new position of neighbourhood police manager. Each manager would replace 2 inspectors in the South;
- The new working arrangements would be introduced in the South Bristol area at the end of March 2014.

7. DEVOLVED SERVICES REPORT

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered a report of the Area Co-ordinator (Agenda Item No. 6) setting out the devolved services report.

During consideration, particular reference was made to:

 A report would be made to the March meeting on proposed local traffic schemes using the combined 2012/13 and 2013/14 budgets;

Action - AC and Neil Terry / Highways officers

 It was noted that the issue of the 40 mph limit on the section of the A38 which runs through the area being too high could potentially be resolved through the Council's 20 mph programme; The narrow estate roads programme including the additional Redford Walk, Bishopsworth item (which was agreed) would be submitted to the next Transport Sub-Group;

Action - AC

- The proposed TRO for Headley Lane was currently being consulted on;
- Concerns were raised about the use of a bus on route 52 which was not equipped with modern access arrangements. It was agreed that the situation should be monitored but the Chair warned against imposing too may requirements on the service provider at the current time, which could lead to him withdrawing the service;
- A member said that he understood that B&NES Council were looking at extending the hospital service in Keynsham to south Bristol. It was agreed that the Area Co-ordinator would follow the matter up with B&NES officers to ensure that if the service is extended, it meets the needs of local residents;

Action - AC

• A resident expressed concerns about the impact of the South Bristol link road on local bus services if it goes ahead.

After further discussion it was:

RESOLVED -

- (1) To note progress with the 2013/14 footway schemes as described in the report;
- (2) To note the likely budget that will be available for the 2014/15 local traffic schemes and that Highways officers be asked to cost up the schemes identified in the report (within the combined year's budget of £49,178) and report to the March meeting in order that a final decision can be taken;
- (3) That a proposed narrow estate road scheme at Redford Walk, Bishopsworth, should be included in the programme and that the full list of schemes be further considered at the next Transport Sub-Group;

- (4) That progress with non-devolved budget traffic schemes within the area, as described in the report, be noted;
- (5) That progress with Clean and Green budget since the last meeting be noted and that officers proposals for the spending of the remainder of the budget by the end of the financial year as set out in section 3(a) of the report be approved;
- (6) To note progress with parks projects funded by S106 budgets as described in section 4.1 of the report;
- (7) To note progress on traffic and transport projects funded by S106 budgets as described in section 4.2 of the report;
- (8) To note progress on libraries projects funded by S106 budgets as described in section 4.4 of the report;
- (9) To note the progress made in achieving full spend of the devolved wellbeing, clean and green and communication budgets (section 5 of the report);
- (10) To note the latest position regarding S106 and Community Infrastructure Levy monies for Dundry View and in particular, progress being made to identify and progress use of the money which is still unallocated from the Imperial Park site S106.

7. 20 MPH SCHEME ROLLOUT - INTRODUCTION

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered a report from Helen Wigginton, Transport Planning Officer (Agenda Item No: 8) on the roll out of the Council's 20 mph scheme.

During her presentation, Ms Wigginton explained that;

- In the trial areas (Easton and Bedminster) data indicated that overall traffic speeds had been reduced and cycling and walking had increased; 89% of residents were happy with the schemes;
- Funding would be available until March 2015 to introduce the programme. In Dundry View, officers would be coming to the

March 2014 round of neighbourhood forum meetings to explain local proposals in depth and to seek residents view on the roads to be excluded. Officers would bring detailed maps showing local roads with them;

- Some roads, such as arterial routes, would not be included and speed limits would remain as they are currently;
- The new speed limits would be introduced on a phased basis;
- Following informal consultation, the Council would publish its proposals for the area in April 2014;
- The Council would then commence work on a speed limit order. This process normally takes 6 months and incorporates the statutory (formal) consultation process. February 2015 was the anticipated implementation date.

Questions were then asked of Ms Wigginton. In her responses she commented that;

- First Bus had been consulted and were supportive of the proposals in principle although they favoured fewer limits on their outer routes in order that drives could catch up on time spent in traffic;
- There would be no specific treatment for affected roads other than the 20 mph speed limit signs, however community speed watch initiatives would be encouraged and the police had agreed to target enforcement on specific roads, where there may be issues regarding adherence to the limit.

AGREED – that the report be noted.

8. DUNDRY VIEW HATE CRIME AND COMMUNITY COHESION RESEARCH - OVERVIEW PRESENTATION

Noting the time, the Chair proposed that the hate crime presentation (agenda item no. 9) be deferred to the March meeting, in order that the partnership and councillors could give proper consideration to the matter.

AGREED - accordingly.

9. WELLBEING REPORT

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered a report of the Area Co-ordinator (Agenda Item No. 7) on applications for grant funding from the wellbeing budget.

After brief discussion it was:

RESOLVED -

- (1) that the available Wellbeing Funding for 2013/14 and the adjustments made to reflect small sums returned to the wellbeing budget be noted;
- (2) that the following consideration of the Wellbeing Panel's recommendations, the following wellbeing grants totaling £5,732 be made, and that it be noted that as a result of these grants, the wellbeing budget for 2013/14 is now spent:

Applicant	Purpose	Amount of grant approved (£)
Hartcliffe Methodist	Transport to enable access to the	
Womens Fellowship	group and to a Christmas meal	500
Hawkspring	Creative workshops for children and young people and peer led family	
	support	1,500
South Bristol	Development of youth boards in	
Consortium for Young	Dundry View – young people	
People	creating projects in their local area	947.53
St Peters Ladies	Christmas meal and trip to	
Guild	pantomime and day trip	500
The Carpenters	Hire of Mendip Hall, Withywood	
Foodstore	Centre to run foodstore	1,560
Townswomen	Provision of transport, annual outing	
Uplands and District	and funding for speakers	725
Totals	-	5,732.53

- (3) That the principal benefits to equalities groups and groups with protected characteristics described in paragraph 8 of the report, as a result of making these grants be noted;
- (4) That a full report on proposed changes to the Wellbeing Fund following the recent review, be brought to an

extraordinary meeting of the Committee and Partnership to take place on 10th February 2014 at 7.00 pm;

Action - AC

- (5) That the legal information which guides all decisions about wellbeing funding (paragraph 9 of the report) be noted, and
- (6) That it be noted that the Community First Panel has yet to meet to assess the applications which it has received.

10. AREA CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered a report of the Area Co-ordinator (Agenda Item No. 10) detailing progress and providing updates.

During discussion, particular reference was made to the following:

 The Area Co-ordinator provided an update on the position regarding the former Bishopsworth Pool, following the October meeting of the Steering Group. The Group's final report would be available in February and he proposed that this be brought to the extraordinary meeting which had previously been agreed.

Action - AC

- The Area Co-ordinator commented on the current position regarding Hareclive Youth Centre and those groups/organisations interested in taking over the building should it be declared surplus to City Council requirements;
- In relation to the Partnership's action plan, it was agreed that a report following the Workshop's final session, could also be brought to the extraordinary meeting if ready in time;

Action - AC

 Budget consultation - the Partnership noted the additional daytime consultation meeting which had been arranged by the Council. The Chair asked whether the Partnership wanted to make its own submission to the Mayor on specific issues within the budget that affect Dundry View. This was agreed. The letter should include reference to the CATT Bus and community transport charges; the impact of the removal of discretionary bus passes for local residents; the impact of the budget cut proposals for the Hengrove Park area; Hartcliffe Way Recycling centre etc

 It was agreed that the issues which partners/residents wished to raise should be forwarded to the Chair, the Chair would prepare and circulate a draft letter to the Partnership, and would then forward it to the Mayor.

Action – AC to co-ordinate, Chair to prepare letter and forward to Mayor

After further discussion it was:-

AGREED -

- (1) To note the issues raised at neighbourhood forum meetings during the last quarter;
- (2) To note the current position regarding proposals for future use of the Bishopsworth Pool site and that a further report will be brought to the extraordinary meeting on 10 February;
- (3) To note the intention to call a further meeting of the Youth & Play Sub-Group to provide an update on work to secure the future of the Hareclive Youth Centre:
- (4) To note progress with work on the Partnership's action plan and that an update report will be brought to the February meeting if ready;
- (5) To note (i) that a meeting to consider improvements to the local Partnership will take place in the new year, and (ii) progress with the citywide review of neighbourhood partnerships;
- (6) That the Chair will prepare a letter on behalf of the Dundry View Neighbourhood Partnership about the potential impact of the Council's budget proposals on the area, and raising areas of particular concern;
- (7) To note Dundry View's presence at the national Democracy Week event held at City hall in October, and

- (8) To note preparations for Bristol's year as Green Capital in 2015.
- (9) The issue of council-owned land for 2000 homes was raised and will be taken at the March NP

11. EXTRA NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP MEETING DATE

The Chair confirmed that the extra NP meeting to agree the recommendation on the future of the Bishopsworth Pool site would take place on **Monday 10**th **February 2014**. This meeting will be chaired by the Vice Chair, Cllr Kevin Quartley as Helen Holland is not available on this date.

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Chair thanked Ian Pagan for his support to the Dundry View Neighbourhood Partnership as our Democratic Services Officer since the early days of the Partnership. Ian is leaving the City Council in early 2014. The Partnership extended best wishes for his future.

(The meeting ended at 9.05 pm)

CHAIR