# Minutes of a meeting of the Dundry View Neighbourhood Partnership held on Monday 24 March 2014 at 7pm

#### Present:

## **Ward Councillors:**

P. Councillor Eddy
P. Councillor Quartley
P. Councillor Brain
P. Councillor Pickup
Bishopsworth Ward
Hartcliffe Ward
Hartcliffe Ward

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

# Other members of Partnership:

P. Diana Porter
 P. Don Smith
 P. Bob Giles
 Resident (Bishopsworth) representative
 Resident (Hartcliffe) representative

A. Geoff Woodburn Resident (Whitchurch Park) representative

P. Mike Knight
 P. Lorraine Horgan
 P. Insp. Nigel Colston
 A. TBC
 Local business representative
 Resident (Hartcliffe) representative
 Avon & Somerset Constabulary
 Voluntary Sector representative

A. TBC Equalities representative

#### Officer Attendance:

Keith Houghton BCC Area Co-ordinator Karen Blong BCC Democratic Services

Heather Williams Community Partnership Manager, HWCP

Neil Terry BCC Area Manager, Transport Patrick Goodey BCC Flood Risk Engineer

Alex Raikes SARI

Inspector Nigel Colston Avon & Somerset Police

12 members of the public were in attendance.

# 1. Welcome, introductions and apologies for absence

The Chair, Cllr Holland, welcomed councillors, partners and members of the public to the meeting. Apologies for absence were received from Geoff Woodburn.

#### **NEIGHBOURHOOD COMMITTEE ITEMS**

2. Minutes of meetings of the Neighbourhood Partnership held on 9 December 2013 and 10 February 2014

## **AGREED -**

That the minutes of the meetings held on 9 December 2013 and 10 February 2014 be agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

# 9<sup>th</sup> December - matters arising and action sheet (appendix a)

The Neighbourhood Partnership Members requested that residents be referred to as 'resident representatives' in the minutes.

# Action – NP Residents to be referred to as Resident Representatives in future minutes.

All actions were completed unless otherwise stated:

# Action 1 - S106 monies – Headley Park Lane to Imperial Park

Keith Houghton (KH) had requested further information on the options.

# Action 5 - Hospital service in Keynsham

KH requested clarity on what information was required. Cllr Eddy confirmed the NP Members has requested assurance that Bristol would link to the B&NES hospital bus service being provided from the Sommerdale Development Section 106 money. The inquiry related to Highways/Transport.

# **Budget Consultation**

The Mayors budget had been amended and the threat to Community Transport and Hayworth Play Park had been removed for this financial year.

# 10<sup>th</sup> February 2014 – Matters arising

KH confirmed the following -

- Recommendations related to the development of the Bishopsworth Pool site were highlighted to Corporate Property
- Negotiations with Transitions CIC were taking place
- The Wellbeing fund changes were being incorporated in to the new applications forms and guidance.

## 3. Declarations of interest

None

## 4. Public forum

The Neighbourhood Partnership accepted two petitions –

 a) Neil Maggs presented a petition on the Fruit and Vegetable dealer on Belland drive -

The Fruit and Vegetable dealer, who currently parks his van on Belland Drive, was with us for many years when he traded from the vegetable shop on Belland Drive. Unfortunately, due to the collapse of the ceiling in this store, he has had to abandon his

tenancy in favour of his van. Having served this community for a number of years in a positive manner, it is felt that we owe his our loyalty in return for this service.

Cllr Holland noted that the issue had been highlighted to by a number of residents and the petition was warmly received.

The Neighbourhood Partnership agreed to refer the petition to the Licensing / Planning Department to request advice. **Action – KH.** 

b) Cllr Kent presented a petition -

As residents of Longway Avenue, Rookery Way and School Close we call upon the Dundry Hill neighbourhood Partnership to prioritise our area for a local traffic scheme, to be agreed by local residents, to resolve problems caused by dangerous parking in and around our streets and local school.

The Neighbourhood Partnership agreed to refer the petition to the Transport Subgroup. **Action – KH.** 

# Agreed-

- (1) That the petition a) presented by Neil Maggs related to fruit and vegetable van on Belland Drive be referred to Licensing / Planning departments to seek advice;
- (2) That petition b) presented by Cllr Tim Kent related to Longway Avenue, Rookery Way and School Close be referred to the Transport Subgroup for consideration.

# 5. Dundry View hate crime and community cohesion research – overview presentation

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered a report of the Area Co-ordinator (agenda item no. 5) giving an overview presentation of the Dundry View hate crime and community cohesion research.

Keith Houghton, Insp. Nigel Colston and Alex Raikes (SARI) presented the report (appendix b) to the minutes. Following the presentation the following additional information was provided -

- Planet Southmead was a multi-agency group (police, housing services, youth services) that brought together victims of crime, including those targeted who had recently moved to the area. The approach empowered victims and had a positive impact on the community. It was hoped that Planet Dundry View would replicate this successful model.
- All three Wards in the Dundry View Neighbourhood Partnership were recorded as locations within the four highest rates of Race Hate incidents in the city per 1000 BME populations in the 2011 Hate Crime Needs Assessment, August 2011, Safer Bristol.
- Planet Dundry View would bring together victims of hate crime, the inclusive approach hoped to encourage people to stay in the area. The project was required because current methods and approaches were not working.

The Neighbourhood Partnership were invited to ask questions and the following was noted as part of the discussion –

- A resident described harassment and abuse from the neighbours which had been taking place for 12 years this included verbal abuse and threats, threats to the pets, homophobic abuse, disability abuse and intimidation. The police and Bristol City Council had been called numerous occasions but no action had been taken. The resident and her sister were forced to stay in the house out of fear and had given up trying to access support.
- Other residents provided examples of when the community had offered support to new families in the area – some families would engage and other wouldn't.
- A Polish shop that had opened on the edge of Dundry View had been forced to close after being targeted. This had now opened in another area and had been successful.
- Resident representative, Lorraine Horgan highlighted that even when residents had kept diaries and records about anti-social behaviour and harassment, the police have not provided support. In one incident, a resident had been forced to apply for an injunction independently
- Alex Raikes confirmed that the incidents described were unacceptable. Planet Dundry View would bring victims and agencies together to provide support.
- AR noted residents concerns about the EDL march in Bristol. The situation was complex and the tension monitoring group were responsible for managing and monitoring the EDL presence in Bristol.
- Cllr Holland suggested that all schools, including academies and free schools, should be requested to record and share information on incidents. Without all the information a true picture would not be compiled.
- Insp. Nigel Colston responded to concerns about the police approach, highlighting
  the good work of the neighbourhood teams. Some issues had arisen when
  information had been reported information had been lost or incorrectly classified.
  Links were not made with the neighbourhood teams and problems escalated.
  Improvements were being made and computer predictive analysis presented
  information on cases that should be investigated.
- Cllr Eddy noted concerns about the lack of consistency- a more joined up approach would be required.
- Crime was defined within the law and required proof for a prosecution.
- KH provided the home office definition of hate crime –

Hate crime involves any criminal offence which is perceived, by the victim or any other person, to be motivated by hostility or prejudice based on a personal characteristic. Hate crime can be motivated by disability, gender identity, race, religion or faith and sexual orientation.

- The Independent Police Complaints Commission (IPCC) had requested a copy of the Dundry View research.
- Alex Raikes suggested report and the minutes from the NP meeting should be shared with the Police and Crime Commissioner to highlight the on-going issues.

The Neighbourhood Partnership agreed to support the concept of Planet Dundry View. Dundry View should be a welcoming area and all residents should play their part.

# **RESOLVED** – that the report be noted.

# 6. Devolved transport budgets for 2014/15

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered a report of the South Area Manager, Highways and Traffic Management (agenda item no. 6) setting out the devolved transport budgets for 2014/15.

# Carriage surface dressing and footway maintenance

The Footways work in Bishopsworth had been completed but work was still outstanding in Whitchurch Park. The Dundry View NP was allocated £63,000 for the forthcoming financial year and Members were asked to prioritise schemes based on the information in the report.

The following was noted as part of the discussion –

- Surface dressing would be easily laid and estimated costs were more accurate that the estimated cost for footways.
- It would be logical to postpone work on Belland Drive until after shared space options were explored.
- Cllr Kent requested that when allocating central government funding for road works, consideration be given to Hartcliffe way as the road surface by the roundabout was in a poor condition.
- NT agreed to investigate concerns related to flooding on Hareclive Road and Moxham Drive
- Action NT to investigate concerns related to flooding on Hareclive Road and Moxham Drive

The NP Members agreed the following priorities;

F3 – Hollisters Drive, Sampsons Road, Holbrook Crescent (Whitchurch Park)

F6 – Hareclive Road, Moxham Drive (Whitchurch Park / Harcliffe)

## Minor lining and signing

The NP agreed the budget subject to inclusions white lines at the enterance of Meadowside Drive, a problem area highlighted at the Neighbourhood Forum meeting.

# **Local Traffic Scheme**

The report proposed that the numbers of schemes chosen across the city are limited to 14 – one per Neighbourhood Partnership area. Each partnership was also asked to consider choosing schemes for a three year programme.

Members expressed frustration that allocated NP money could not be spent due to the lack of Officer resource. Two to three schemes per NP would be more reasonable in order to respond to local concerns. As part of the budget consultation, the Resources Scrutiny Commission had repeatedly requested more detailed information on how the budget reductions would affect – if information had been provided, Members would have been aware on the affect this could have on the delivery of local traffic schemes.

NT highlighted that all Council departments had reduced budgets and a percentage of staff had been reduced, with more due to leave shortly.

The NP Members discussed two local traffic schemes as potential priorities – a) Longway Avenue / Rookery Way / School Close (plus Meadowside Drive) and b) Elm Tree Corner Corridor (Highridge Road). Further discussion would take place at the Traffic sub-group meeting and recommendations made to the June Neighbourhood Partnership meeting.

The NP Members agreed that a letter highlighting the NP frustration be written to the Mayor. **Action – Clir Holland / Keith Houghton.** 

# Other information

- Information on Narrow Estate Roads would be presented to the June Neighbourhood Partnership meeting.
- A city wide Traffic Road Order (TRO) for school would probably be impossible –
  one objection would hold up the whole process. The TRO team were working
  through applications quickly.
- A resident noted concerns with the use of contractors and consultants. A question had been submitted to the Mayor the previous year but nothing had progressed.

# **RESOLVED -**

Park)

- (1) that the carriage surface dressing priorities as detailed in the report be agreed total spend £120,250;
- (2) that the following footway maintenance priorities be agreed (total spend £63,000) –
  F3 Hollsters Drive, Sampson Road, Holbrook Crescent (Whitchurch
  - F6 Hareclive Road, Moxham Drive (Whitchurch Park / Hartcliffe);
- (3) that a letter be written to the Mayor to highlight concerns that money allocated for Local Traffic Schemes could not be spent due to lack of resources:
- (4) that a) Longway Avenue / Rookery Way / School Close (plus Meadowside Drive) and b) Elm Tree Corner Corridor (Highridge Road) be suggested as potential Dundry View priorities;
- (5) that recommendations from the Traffic sub-group on Local Traffic Scheme priorities be presented to the NP meeting in June;

- (6) that progress on outstanding local traffic schemes be noted; and
- (7) that the minor lining and signing budget be agreed.

# 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.

# **RESOLVED -**

- (1) that the 2013/14 spend on minor signs and lines budget be noted;
- (2) that the combined available budget for local traffic schemes carried into 2014/15 be noted and the recommendation to bring a reconsidered set of local traffic scheme recommendations to the July 2014 NP meeting in the light of the changed context for highways delivery from 2014 set out in the devolved transport budgets for 2014/15 paper, be approved;
- (3) that the progress of relevant non-devolved budget traffic schemes being delivered by the Highways team in Dundry View in 2013/14 be noted:
- (4) that the active travel grant bid for Dundry View by CSV be noted;
- (5) that the proposed use for the unallocated clean and green budget to deliver in Hartcliffe ward be confirmed;
- (6) that progress on delivery of parks S106 projects/monies be noted;
- (7) that the recommendation to allocate £9,805.84 section 106 funding be approved;
- (8) that progress made on delivery of transport s106 projects be noted;
- (9) that progress made in achieving full spend of devolved wellbeing, clean and green and the communication budgets by March 2014 be noted;
- (10) that the latest position with section 106 and community infrastructure (CIL) monies for Dundry View NP in particular progress made to identify and progress the use of the £94,163 still unallocated from Imperial Park s106 be noted; and
- (1) that the proposed dates for Neighbourhood Partnership and Neighbourhood Forums in 2014/15 be approved.

# 8. Consultation of the local flood risk management strategy

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered a report of John Roy, Group Manager, Transport Assets (agenda item no. 8) providing a brief summary of The Strategy, its purpose and why it is required.

Patrick Goodey (PG), Flood Risk Engineer presented the report, noting that Flood Risk Officers would be attending Neighbourhood Forum meetings to gather resident views.

The NP Members were invited to ask questions and the following was noted as part of the discussion –

- Flood Risk Officers were heavily involved in the planning process and were required to comment on most applications. The Sustainable Drainage Systems (SUBS) Approval Body or SAB would be an organisation within County Councils and Unitary Authorities specifically established to deal with the design approval and adoption of sustainable urban drainage systems (SUDS) within any new development consisting of two or more properties. The statutory instruments are expected to be laid before parliament in April 2014 and within these the commencement date would be stated.
- The Local Flood Risk Management Strategy could encourage a variety of actions, including the introduction of culverts in streams. Responsible removal of infrastructure would be considered.
- The gully cleansing process had improved and specific areas of concern should be reported through the Neighbourhood Forums.
- A resident requested further information on an underground tank next to Elmtree pub. Keith Hougton would forward the question to Wessex Water for further information. Action – KH.

# RESOLVED - that the report be noted.

# 9. Neighbourhood working priorities

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered a report of the Neighbourhood Working Co-ordinator (agenda item no. 9) setting out the Neighbourhood working priorities.

The item was deferred as the reporting Officers were not in attendance.

# 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.

- The Neighbourhood Partnership agreed that a letter should be written to the Mayor to highlight support for the recycling centre. **Action HH.**
- An update report on the Neighbourhood Forum meeting was circulated (appendix c to the minutes)
- An Update on Proposals for next steps post NP Review was circulated (appendix d to the minutes). NP Members were asked to note the increased budget flexibility the proposals suggest.

- Cllr Holland referred to a film about Muslim Communities being shown at the Youth Centre on Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> March at 7 pm. Another showing could also be arranged if requested.
- Cllr Pickup would be standing down at the election in May. The Neighbourhood Partnership thanked Cllr Pickup for his service over the last four years.

## AGREED -

- (1) that the Neighbourhood Forums being held in March 2014 be noted and that issues raised will be tabled at the 24 March 2014 NP meeting:
- (2) that the update on progress delivering the Bishopsworth pool/indoor skate park/village hub proposal and the actions being taken by the Steering Group to wind up its work be noted;
- (3) that the proposal to set up a further youth and play sub-group meeting and the future plans which will secure the future of Hareclive youth centre for youth work provision until 2016 be noted;
- (4) that the update on the progress on action plan development be noted;
- (5) that the situation with plans to develop local improvements to our NP and the situation with the citywide NP review be noted; and
- (6) that the reminder about the invitation to take part in Bristol European Green Capital 2015 and that the Pride of Place Group is still to consider this issue be noted.

# 11. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Monday 7 July 2014 at 7pm – venue to be confirmed.

(The meeting ended at 9.10 pm)

CHAIR