



**Minutes of a Meeting of the  
Dundry View Neighbourhood Partnership (N P)  
held on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2014 at 7.00 pm  
at the Professional Development Centre (PDC),  
Teyfant Road, Bristol BS13 0RF**

**Present:**

**Ward Councillors**

P	Councillor Richard Eddy	Bishopsworth Ward
P	Councillor Kevin Quartley	Bishopsworth Ward
P	Councillor Mark Brain	Hartcliffe Ward
A	Councillor Naomi Rylatt	Hartcliffe Ward
P	Councillor Helen Holland	Whitchurch Park Ward (in the Chair)
A	Councillor Tim Kent	Whitchurch Park Ward

**Other members of the Partnership**

Diana Porter - Bishopsworth Resident  
Bob Giles - Hartcliffe Resident  
Geoff Woodburn - Whitchurch Park Resident  
Geoff Denford – Voluntary Organisation Representative  
Mike Knight - Business

**Also in attendance**

**Bristol City Council** – Emily Smith (Neighbourhood Partnership Co-ordinator), Neil Terry (Area Manager – South/Central – Highways), Di Robinson (Service Director – Neighbourhoods and Communities), Emma Williams (Bristol Green Capital 2015) and Jeremy Livitt (Democratic Services)  
**DVNP** - Heather Williams  
**LPW (Learning Partnership West)** – David Cousins  
**South Bristol Link** – Alun Griffiths and Simon Dunn

**Police** – Sergeant Ben Dash

**Bristol University** – Mireia Bees (Bristol Green Capital Art)

**DH (Developing Health and Independence)** – Mike Strathdee and Alex Caulder

Plus the following members of the public/local residents: **Jim Venn, Pauline Henderson, Len Lunt, Richard Bevan, Naughton Williams, Caroline Jenkins, Glyn Owen and Keith Way**

## **21. Welcome and Introductions, Apologies for Absence** (Agenda Item No. 1)

Apologies were received from Naomi Rylatt (Hartcliffe Councillor), Chris Barlow, Lorraine Horgan (Hartcliffe Resident) and Inspector Nigel Colston (Police).

## **22. Minutes of the N P Meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2014** (Agenda Item No. 2)

Matter Arising – Minute Number 13 – Minutes of the Meeting Held on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2014 – Bishopsworth Pool

Councillor Eddy expressed concern that, following recent contacts he had received from Transitions, the Friends Group and Legal, there continued to be delays in setting up arrangements for the lease. He confirmed that the drains remained blocked on the Church Road side of the property. He stated that a site visit had been arranged for Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December with Councillor Geoff Gollop, the Deputy Mayor.

Neighbourhood Partnership members expressed disappointment that this project had been delayed and, as a result, the implementation of the CAT (Community Asset Transfer) arrangement had not yet been able to take place. It was noted that the inside pool had been vandalised.

### **Action:**

- (1) Emily Smith to talk to Richard Fletcher about the possible use of funding for the Bishopsworth swimming pool site;**
- (2) Councillor Helen Holland to write to the Mayor on behalf of the Neighbourhood Partnership to express concern about the delay in the development of the proposed CAT (Community Asset Transfer)**

Matter Arising – Minute Number 19 – Bristol 2015 Green Capital Fund Report – Flouting of Weight Restrictions on Kingshead Lane and St Peters Rise and Community Hubs

It was noted that enforcement of the lorry ban on these roads had not yet been implemented. In addition, the placement of community hubs, promised by Sue Mountstevens since June 2014, had not yet taken place.

Councillor Mark Brain referred to weight testing at St Peter's Rise and Headley Lane which he understood would shortly take place.

**Action: that further progress on this issue is reported through each of the Neighbourhood Forums.**

Sergeant Ben Dash confirmed that there remained a strong commitment to Community Hubs by the Police – the new model of operation would operate from April 2015. Once mobile data became available, this would eliminate the need to use Community Centres as they had been in the past.

Heather Williams tabled a record of activity in respect of various ongoing issues raised at Neighbourhood Forums concerning ASB and fires. Once a final report had been prepared, it would be submitted to residents at meetings in the New Year. It was noted that drink was increasingly being left in bushes to avoid Police detection. Officers were working with Neighbourhood Teams to solve key problems – one option being considered was for a 3 to 5 year plan for ASB in the area.

### **23. Declarations of Interest (Agenda Item 3)**

No declarations of interest were made by Councillors.

### **24. Public Forum (Agenda Item 4)**

A Public Forum statement was submitted from Carolyn Purcell, Hartcliffe and Withywood Community Partnership Statement (HWCP) concerning the CATT Project South Bristol Hospital Bus.

**Action: that a response be provided to Carolyn Purcell and that this be placed on the Neighbourhood Partnership website – Emily Smith.**

Emma Williams was invited to outline arrangements for the Neighbourhood Arts Programme which was being drawn up for all 14 NP areas. It was noted

that Heather Williams would be assisting in this process to develop a local programme as part of the NP Plan. It was noted that a meeting was scheduled at Symes Avenue to discuss this further on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2015 (immediately after the Pride of Place Event).

## **25. Highways Report (Agenda Item 5)**

The NP was requested to approve the provision of dropped kerbs at Cardill Close and St Pius Gatehouse Avenue.

In addition, the following points were made by the NP:

- (1) A complaint had been made in the Hartcliffe Ward concerning the lack of dropped kerbs in sections of Kilmersdon Road;
- (2) Bishport Avenue – this work would be completed soon. There had been a difficulty with contractor availability;
- (3) There were concerns that the proposed parking restrictions at Longway Avenue, Rookery Way and School Close would not solve the difficulties there. It was noted that the works at Grass Meers Drive were linked to school expansion;
- (4) At Elm Tree Corner. An area wide parking restriction was proposed. However, it was noted that there was a topographical survey to be carried out and ongoing land ownership issues. The NP expressed the hope that this scheme could nevertheless be progressed as soon as possible in 2015;
- (5) Following concerns raised at the Resources and Business Change Scrutiny Commission, a statement had been made concerning the possible loss of funding for a proposed scheme at Westbury-on-Trym. This issue had been referred to the relevant Assistant Mayor (ie Councillor Mark Bradshaw) to see if options for expanding arrangements for a number of schemes could be made;
- (6) A local resident had identified the need for a disabled bay in Redford Crescent;
- (7) South Bristol Link – Dr Simon Dunn advised that this project was at the design stage and a regional office would be opened. A “Meet The Employer” event would be set up at the South Bristol Sports Centre (arranged by the contractor’s Community Liaison Officer – Emma Williams). It was proposed to use local suppliers and employ local people through the development of a Community Plan – 3 apprenticeships were being proposed via local colleges and/or local schools. There would be trials on King George’s Road (with trial trenches being dug) and regular weekly drop-in centres at Cater Road.

The project would commence in February/March 2015. There would be letter drops to all Councillors, the local newsletter (WHAM), facebook, twitter and the project website.

**Resolved –**

- (1) That the Neighbourhood Partnership approves the pedestrian dropped kerbs at Cardill Close and the dropped kerb at St Pius X, Gatehouse Avenue – Action: Neil Terry**
- (2) That the possible introduction of dropped kerbs for Kilmersdon Road be referred or consideration to each of the Neighbourhood Forums and the Highways and Transport Group - Action: Neil Terry/Emily Smith**
- (3) That the possible introduction of sleeping policemen (in place of speed cushions) be considered by the Highways and Transport Group – Action: Neil Terry**
- (4) That the possible use of funds to provide a Disabled signage at Redford Crescent be examined - Action: Neil Terry**

**26. Devolved Services Report (Agenda Item 6)**

The NP noted the above report setting out details of Clean and Green budgets, the Well Being Fund, Green Capital, Section 106 Update and Budget and CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy).

Emily Smith made the following points:

- (1) Work had been scheduled as part of a community payback scheme;
- (2) Green Capital Fund – Dundry NP had been given an extra £5,000 per ward in addition to the £10,000 per NP already provided;
- (3) CIL remained unchanged – a procedure for expenditure would be required;
- (4) Headley Park was congratulated on its successful bid to the People's Millions;
- (5) Schemes for planting, waste and lighting were being prepared for Green Capital expenditure. This would include the current provision of waste bins.

**27. Well Being Budget and Green Capital Report (Agenda Item 7)**

The above report was introduced by Heather Williams who indicated that organisations were eligible to apply for up to £3,000 as long as they

fitted into the appropriate priorities. The information would be available on the website from February 2015 – there would be extensive publicity in the press from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2015.

NP members noted that there had been no feedback to a proposal put forward at the last NP to create a circular walk in the Dundry Hill NP. It was noted that there had been discussions concerning circular groups in other walking groups ie a proposal by Ben Barker for one in Bedminster as part of the Pride of Place awards. A discussion on this issue by all South Bristol NPs could be helpful.

### **Resolved –**

- (1) That the Neighbourhood Committee approves the following schemes as recommended by the Dundry View Funding Panel for the allocation of Well Being Funding:**

**Bedminster Down Parks Group - £925  
Fouracres Community Group - £424.98  
Hartcliffe Community Park Farm - £2500  
Sounds Session Singing Group - £680  
Townswomen Uplands and District - £1400 (out of £1550 applied for)**

- (2) That the Neighbourhood Partnership approves the following schemes as recommended by the Dundry View Funding Panel for the allocation of Green Capital Funding:**

**CSV - £2,865  
Friends of Pride of Place - £2,600  
Fulford Road Improvement - On hold not recommended in this round  
Soil Association - £2,450  
Turn Off the Lights - £1,650  
Zion Bristol - £1,695  
New Fosseyway - £1,000**

**Action: Heather Williams**

- (3) That the proposal for a circular walk in Bedminster Down (as part of a series of circular walks being proposed by Ben Barker) be examined**

**Action: Emily Smith**

## **28 Tackling Stigma Around Drugs, Alcohol And Its Effect on Families (Agenda Item 8)**

Mike Strathdee introduced this report on the above issue and outlined the work carried out by DHI (Developing Health and Independence), supported by Bristol City Council through Safer Bristol. He explained that DHI operated on the basis of former recovering addicts supporting others at an earlier stage in the process. Alex Caulder (a former user) told the NP his experiences on this issue and the importance of the recovery programme.

It was also noted that DHI supported families affected by others' drug and alcohol use. It was noted that family support more than doubled the success rate and that, despite popular beliefs that addicts could never truly be trusted not to revert to their previous behaviour, the experience of DHI showed that this was not the case.

## **29 Crime and Community Safety (Agenda Item 9)**

Ben Dash introduced this report and made the following points:

- (1) Restorative Justice was a key element in the work that the Police were carrying out;
- (2)** There were concerns about a recent drop-off in intelligence and enforcement concerning drugs. It was hoped that this would be temporary and would change once the new structures outlined earlier (Agenda Item 22 above) came online;
- (3)** Concerns raised by NP members about illegal parking on pavements (notably on Longway Avenue) were noted and had previously been raised at Neighbourhood Forums. A leafleting drop was proposed to address this. It was noted that, due to the resources available to the Police (ie 1 PCSO and 1 Beat Manager), there were practical limitations on enforcement of this issue;
- (4)** Lighthouse had recently been created to address the need for support to those who lived nearby to incidents where criminal activity had occurred or were affected by it. This provided a library of support

networks;

- (5) Ben Dash would discuss whether or not it was possible to provide regular Drugs and Domestic Violence statistics – their availability would depend on intelligence as there was a need to protect sources;
- (6) Ben Dash would confirm whether or not the problems identified in some of the statistics were in the Whitchurch Park ward or Hartcliffe;
- (7) The continuing problems on Dundry Slopes with motorbikes were noted. It was indicated that documentary evidence of this was required to ensure further action could be taken. Police computer systems would change shortly and would assist in documenting problem solving issues, such as this

**Action: Ben Dash to investigate the possibility of providing regular Drugs and Domestic Violence statistics to the Dundry NP**

### **30 Libraries Consultation (Agenda Item 10)**

Di Robinson introduced the above report. She made the following points:

- (1) An extensive consultation concerning libraries was currently taking place both within Bristol and also nationally;
- (2) Regular use of libraries was only 6% - this consultation would also seek to examine the reasons for this;
- (3) In February 2014, £1.1 Million of revenue budget would be removed from the library service for February 2016 (ie in the 3<sup>rd</sup> financial year of the current budget). There was, therefore, a need to redesign the service in a creative way;
- (4) There were 5 remaining weeks of the 1<sup>st</sup> Phase of the consultation process with a Cabinet decision scheduled for 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2015;
- (5) 2,000 responses had already been received, including many of these face to face

**Action: Di Robinson to report back to the NP on the work being carried out with RIO and the South Bristol Youth Board on this issue.**

### **31 Learning Partnership Update Report – November 2014 (Agenda Item 11)**

David Cousins introduced the above report and made the following points:



- (1) This service was the lead provider in the South West for this area of provision – it included 1 to 1 and small group provision, as well as youth clubs;
- (2) Youth Links work with children was carried out after school hours with young people – it was an important element in providing targeted support in building confidence and self-esteem;
- (3) Open access sessions continued to be provided at various times for Hareclive Youth Centre.

**Action: Dave Cousins to carry out a mapping exercise of what is available.**

### **32 Update on Hate Crime and Community Cohesion Work (Agenda Item 12)**

The NP received the above report and noted that it was quite comprehensive.

**Action: that a report be brought back to the March 2015 meeting of the NP – Emily Smith.**

### **33 Neighbourhood Partnership Co-ordinator's Update Report (Agenda Item 13)**

Emily Smith introduced this report and made the following comments:

- (1) The draft Neighbourhood Plan was being prepared – a draft would be ready by February 2015 for the March 2015 meeting of the NP to agree;
- (2) A City Wide Partnership Event was taking place on 7<sup>th</sup> February 2015;
- (3) Trees on Bedminster Down were being gradually assessed and replaced as required – the NP would fund replacements at a cost of £270 each subject to other expenditure priorities, such as a potential Play Area (ie the Park Group consultation towards the Play Area for 2015);
- (4) Traffic Choices – a new traffic website was being prepared;
- (5) Equalities Training - this would need 1.5 hours for all NP members. It was suggested that this took place immediately prior to a future NP meeting;
- (6) Mayor's Visit – either 17<sup>th</sup> September or 17<sup>th</sup> December 2015 were proposed;

(7) Bristol Budget Consultation for 2015/16 – Grounds Maintenance was currently on hold

**Action: that Equalities Training (1.5 hours) for all NPs be provided immediately prior to the next NP – Emily Smith.**

**ACTION: preferred date for the Mayors visit 17<sup>th</sup> September – Emily Smith**

**34 Any Other Business (Agenda Item 14) – Article In Friday’s Evening Post On the Avon Wildlife Trust on “My Wild City”**

**Action: that officers consider what work can be done locally on this issue – Emily Smith.**

**35 Date of Next Meeting (Agenda Item 15)**

It was noted that the next meeting was currently scheduled for 7pm to 9pm on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2015 at the Blenheim Scouts Offices, Cheddar Grove Primary School Field, Access via Banwell Close, Bedminster Down, Bristol BS13 7DS.

**Action: that options for a change in the date of the next current meeting (23<sup>rd</sup> March 2015) be considered – Helen Holland to write to propose dates, Norman Cornthwaite to finalise. Finalised date 16<sup>th</sup> March same venue**

The meeting finished at 9.15pm

**CHAIR**