

#### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE GREATER BRISLINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP (GBNP) HELD AT 7.00 p.m. on 18 MARCH 2013 AT ST PETER'S METHODIST CHURCH HALL, ALLISON ROAD, BRISLINGTON

### PRESENT:

#### Ward councillors:

Councillor Mike Langley & Councillor Mike Wollacott (Brislington East ward) Councillor Peter Main & Councillor Jackie Norman (Brislington West ward)

#### **Neighbourhood Partnership members:**

Louise Bale

#### Officers and other statutory partners:

Ariaf Hussain, Bristol City Council (BCC), Area Co-ordinator April Richmond, BCC, Neighbourhood Development Officer Ian Hird, BCC, Democratic Services Shaun Taylor, BCC, Area Manager, Highways & Transport Rob Stephen, BCC, Project Manager, Sergeant Ben Dash, Avon and Somerset Police

#### Others in attendance:

Mark Wakefield (resident) Alan Bale (resident) Barbara Thomson (resident) Christine Hodge (resident) Marie Hodge (resident) Paul Hodge (resident)

Note: in line with the ongoing, "rotating chair" arrangements, it was noted that Cllr Peter Main would chair the neighbourhood committee agenda items. As the neighbourhood partnership chair (Steve Pearce) was not present, it was noted that Cllr Main would also chair the neighbourhood partnership items.

# 1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (agenda item 1)

Attendees were welcomed to the meeting and introduced themselves.

Apologies for absence were received from Steve Pearce, Juliette Randall, Maxine Powell, Liz Venn and Inspector Colin Salmon.

The Chair drew partners' attention to the fact that Louise Bale (current partnership member) and Alan Bale (previous partnership member) would both be leaving the Brislington area. On behalf of the partnership, the Chair thanked them both for their contribution to the community, and to the partnership over many years.

#### 2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP HELD ON 21 JANUARY 2013 (agenda item 2)

### **RESOLVED:**

That the minutes of the meeting held on 21 January 2013 be agreed as a correct record.

(Cllr Wollacott arrived at the meeting at this point.)

#### Neighbourhood Committee items:

#### **3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** (agenda item 3)

There were no declarations of interest.

#### 4. **PUBLIC FORUM** (agenda item 4)

The following public forum statements were received and noted:

- a. A public forum statement from Lynn Ovens (on behalf of residents of residents of Kings Road, Brislington) regarding the proposals for a BMX cycle track at Arnos Court Park (see also item 10 below).
- b. A public forum statement from Mr & Mrs Wakefield regarding the proposals for a BMX cycle track at Arnos Court Park (see also item 10 below).

#### 5. **DEVOLVED SERVICES UPDATE REPORT** (agenda item 5)

The neighbourhood committee considered an update report from the area co-ordinator.

It was noted that the report set out the latest position in relation to:

- local traffic schemes.
- carriageway and footway resurfacing.
- clean and green schemes.
- the wellbeing fund.
- section 106 budgets; it was noted that, as part of item 7 below, the neighbourhood committee would be asked to approve the scheme (cost of £10,700.39) for footway and cycle improvements in the vicinity of the Land, including the provision of dropped kerbs on approaches to the Broomhill Road roundabout and cycle improvements on the north side of Bath Road. A decision needed to be taken on this scheme because of the impending deadline for utilising the section 106 allocation.

# **RESOLVED**:

- To note the report and the above information.

# 6. WELLBEING BUDGET REPORT (agenda item 6)

The neighbourhood committee considered a report from the area coordinator setting out funding recommendations from the Brislington wellbeing panel for the allocation of wellbeing funding.

# **RESOLVED**:

- That the following allocations be approved:

- 1. CSV Out2Play (12 play sessions over 12 months at Eastwood Road Park) – no allocation at this stage; it was noted that the panel had requested further information, including evaluation from the pilot, details of fundraising activity, clarity on the activities to be provided, clarity about the beneficiaries, and a clear breakdown of costs.
- 2. Lunch Club Brislington neighbourhood centre (contribution towards a weekly lunch club transport and rent): £2070

The Chair, on behalf of the partnership, thanked Louise Bale for the work she had undertaken in chairing the Wellbeing Panel.

# 7. DEVOLVED TRANSPORT SCHEMES 2013/14 (agenda item 7)

The neighbourhood committee considered a report from the area manager, highways and traffic.

Key points raised / noted included:

a. West Town Lane – weight restriction: a concern was raised that new signs were required at the "Wells Road" end of West Town

Lane giving appropriate advance notice of the weight restriction that was now in force. It was noted that this issue would be flagged with Emma Pick (BCC traffic management section) with a view to signs being progressed as part of the minor signing and lining works. It was noted that the area co-ordinator would also liaise with the Hengrove and Stockwood neighbourhood partnership given that this issue was also geographically relevant to that partnership.

- Wick Road / Langton Road roadworks: concerns were raised in relation to these roadworks. Following discussion, it was noted that:
  - Shaun Taylor (Area Manager Highways and Transport) would arrange for the Network Operations Manager (Traffic) to inspect the site and take any action required.
  - the area co-ordinator would again investigate whether the car park to the rear of Wicklea could be used (e.g. by people attending Brooklea health centre) in advance of the start of the planned demolition works.

Local ward councillors asked that they be kept informed of the position regarding the above.

c. With regard to the planned new school at the Wicklea site, it was noted that highways officers has submitted initial comments on highways / traffic measures that may be needed as part of the development (e.g. a new road crossing). It was noted that detailed consultation would take place in connection with the planning application, and subsequent Traffic Regulation Order(s). Highways and traffic requirements would accordingly be firmed up in due course. It was agreed that this issue should be discussed further at the next neighbourhood forum.

## **RESOLVED:**

- 1. That approval be given to the 2013/14 work programme for carriageway surface dressing, as follows:
  - \* Broomhill Road £18,900
  - \* Wootton Road £6,600
- 2. To note that work on footway maintenance schemes has been delayed until later in the year (an update to be given at the June meeting).
- 3. To note the schemes that will be delivered in the Greater Brislington neighbourhood partnership area in 2013/14 (as per paragraph 7 of the report).
- 4. To note that:

- a pause in decision making of 12 months is needed to enable delivery of this year's work programme.
- the team is committed to using the pause period to deliver all outstanding schemes in the area.
- devolved funding will be carried forward and the identification of new schemes will start in late 2013.
- 5. To note that section 106 traffic management schemes (with deadlines before July 2014) can be chosen during this period and will be programmed into the work schedule.
- 6. That approval be given to the scheme (as per paragraph 7b of the report, at a cost of £10,700.39) for footway and cycle improvements in the vicinity of the Land, including the provision of dropped kerbs on approaches to the Broomhill Road roundabout and cycle improvements on the north side of Bath Road.
- 7. That approval be given to the allocation of £1,500 for minor signing and lining works (as per paragraph 10 of the report).

## 8. COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY REPORT (agenda item 8)

The neighbourhood committee considered a report from the area coordinator.

## **RESOLVED:**

- That from 1 January 2013, Greater Brislington neighbourhood partnership accepts responsibility for decisions over the spending of devolved Community Infrastructure Levy receipts that are received from development taking place within the neighbourhood partnership area.

## Neighbourhood Partnership items:

## 9. NEIGHBOURHOOD COMMUNITY SAFETY UPDATE (agenda item 9)

The partnership considered an update report.

Key points raised / noted included:

a. Wick House: some concerns were raised about anti-social behaviour. It was noted that residents should alert the police if they became aware of any specific incidents / inappropriate behaviour, which could then be followed up by the police. The area co-ordinator advised that he would contact the director of Wick House with a view to information being provided to a future

neighbourhood forum about the role of Wick House (or, alternatively, to arrange a visit to Wick House).

b. Operation Biker: the position was noted as per an update report. The relevant funds had been returned to the Brislington area.

## AGREED:

- To note the report and the above information.

# **10.** ARNOS COURT PARK BMX TRACK UPDATE (agenda item 10)

The partnership considered an update report.

Key points raised / noted included:

- a. It was noted that two public forum statements had been received on this matter (see item 4 above).
- b. It was noted that further to the 4 February public meeting, and a subsequent site visit on 18 February, it was now proposed that the track should be located in the flat section of the park, adjacent to the football goal posts.
- c. A pre-planning application had been submitted; once the full planning application was submitted, there would be further, extensive consultation with local residents.
- d. Important lessons had been learned from this experience. In particular, it was acknowledged that there had been shortcomings in the quality and robustness of the original consultation process.

# AGREED:

- To note the report and the above information.

# **11. NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP REVIEW** (agenda item 11)

The partnership considered an update report from the area co-ordinator.

The area co-ordinator drew partners' attention in particular to the next public consultation meeting (covering all areas of the city) to be held from 6.30 – 8.30 pm on 27 March at City Hall.

# AGREED:

- To note the report and the above information.

## **12. BETTER NEIGHBOURHOOD WORKING** (agenda item 12)

The partnership considered an update report from the area co-ordinator.

## AGREED:

- 1. To note that the improved way of neighbourhood working will start across the city from May / June 2013.
- 2. To note that the priorities to be tackled by the neighbourhood working team will be chosen by the neighbourhood partnership in September 2013, and will bring together existing neighbourhood priorities (including community safety and cleanliness).

## **13.** AREA CO-ORDINATOR'S UPDATE REPORT (agenda item 13)

The partnership considered an update report from the area co-ordinator.

Key points raised / noted included:

- With regard to section 5 of the report, it was agreed that the best date to offer for a visit to the Greater Brislington neighbourhood partnership area from George Ferguson, Bristol's Mayor was 1.00 6.00 pm on 26 June 2013.
- b. The area co-ordinator circulated an updated list of key meeting dates 2013-14.

## AGREED:

- To note the report and the above information.

## 14. OTHER BUSINESS – FOR INFORMATION (agenda item 14)

- a. Brislington Brook project: The area co-ordinator advised that an active travel grant application was being put together. Support for the bid was being sought. Details would be e-mailed to partners.
- b. Cycle stands outside the former "Tea Cup" café premises, Sandy Park Road: A resident raised concerns about the appropriateness of the location of recently installed cycle stands on the pavement near these premises. As currently located, they created potential difficulties for anyone using a pushchair. The area co-ordinator indicated that he would look into this matter (including a check on the detail of any planning application).

# **15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING** (agenda item 15)

It was noted that the next meeting of the Greater Brislington Neighbourhood Partnership would take place on 17 June 2013 (venue to be confirmed).

CHAIR