



AGENDA ITEM 11

GREATER BRISLINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP

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RECOMMENDATIONS

To note the contents of the report.

1. Neighbourhood Forum update:

The last Forum meeting was held on 13th May 2013.

Key issues raised at the Forum were around Wicklea, the issue was also discussed at the BCP meeting on 23rd May 2013:

Following both meeting the NP team is able to advise of the following:

1. That there will be a meeting in June to be held at the school to look at the plans – where residents and parents of pupils will be able to view the plans.

2. All the plans can be found by going to the following web link and searching 'Wicklea' in the applications search box:

<http://planningonline.bristol.gov.uk/onlineapplications/search.do;jsessionid=394130932B87A9AC1BF896023DBD727?action=simple&searchType=Application>

3. The NP will advise Highways colleagues of the meeting also – so they can hopefully attend thus enabling residents and parents an opportunity to have a full picture on the developments around the New Build School, the

Temporary Classrooms and the Highways Works

4. The NP will advise BCP as soon as it becomes aware of the above meeting to view the plans
5. We have been reassured by Project Team at Wicklea that they are meeting their planning conditions which are to take mitigating measures to reduce their impact.
6. We are still awaiting information on timescales for the repositioning of the hoarding and the installation of the gate and as soon as this information is available it will forward on.

Future Neighbourhood Forum Meetings:

Meeting Date	Time	Venue
Thursday 11/07/2013	7.00pm	Arnos Vale Cemetery
Monday 09/09/2013	7.00pm	Brislington Enterprise College
Tuesday 12/11/2013	7.00pm	Broomhill Junior School

NDO Engagement Activities:

We held 65 engagement activities including site visits to resolve issues, development meetings with local community groups and local forums targeting people that don't attend NP evening Forums.

- 6 Forums held across the year (NP evening meetings)
- around 120 Issues were raised at Forum meetings
- attendance at Forums ranged from 23 to 67

Those Issues most prevalent were Transport (highways) and Environment Issues. The closure of the Wicklea Youth and Community Centre was an area of concern. The impact of the new School site on the local traffic/highways infrastructure is a current concern.

The site for a new BMX Track in Arnos Vale Park and concern about where in the park it would be developed was resolved through further consultation supported by the team.

The Staff team were involved in the Neighbourhood Partnership Review and as part of evidence gathering, conducted a questionnaire in the area, this reached a number of targeted groups including pre-school parents, older people, young people and parents/carers of primary school age children.

The NDO has supported a number of groups to access well-being funding during the past year including; Hungerford Road Community Centre, St Peters Church, Brislington Lunch Club and Brislington Gateway Club.

Different levels of support are offered to groups according to need.

The Delivery of a targeted bus service to get people to their appointments at the South Bristol Community Hospital was promoted to a number of groups across the area and 54 new members signed up to the CATT bus scheme.

Wick House Visit:

A visit takes place on 6th June 2013 to Wick House to see how the project operates and to help inform the NP of the activities that are undertaken to support the residents within Wick House.

2. South Bristol Youth Service Provider Update:

The transfer of services and staff to the new Bristol Youth Links providers took place on 1 February 2013 as planned.

Bristol Youth Links aims to create more up-to-date, joined up provision for children and young people aged eight to 19, outside school. The programme of delivery includes youth groups, play services, advice and guidance, and support to help young people volunteer and get involved in their communities.

Although all City Council run youth centres and adventure playgrounds remain open, expressions of interest will be sought to take on the management of a number of these community buildings.

3. Celebrating Age Festival

This summers Celebrating Age Festival is looking for resident's aged 55 or over to take part and offering grants of up to £200 to stage an event.

The Festival, which runs from 24 June to 7 July 2013, will be themed 'Brilliant in Bristol: Many Communities, Many Cultures, One City', to reflect the talent and the diversity of Bristol's older people.

Events will be taking place in all communities during the two weeks as well as a main Celebration event at City Hall on 29 June.

4. Mayor Visit to Greater Brislington:

The Mayor of Bristol, George Ferguson has expressed an interest in visiting the Neighbourhood Partnership areas across the city.

The visit is planned for Wednesday 26th June 2013 from approx. 1.00pm.

- Key issues/opportunities for discussion and potential/sites to visit:
- Responsive and engaged community
- Self-resilience of community
- St Annes Wood, Brislington Brook - lots of Green space
- Major 6th Form college and secondary school
- New school at Wicklea site
- Arnos Vale Cemetery
- Close to Enterprise Zone
- Well Served by shop and business
- Good transport links in and out of city
- Site Allocations - Brislington Meadows
- VCS organisations and contribution to social fabric within Brislington
- Links between the community and the businesses in the industrial estates and Bath Road
- Transport links to the city, industrial area, and around the area
- Congestion issues
- Parking - narrow roads
- Pollution - Bath Road
- Rat Run – between Bath Road/Wells Road
- Pockets of poverty
- Lack of viable Community Buildings
- Industrial Estate - Emery Road
- Derelict Buildings - Bath Road

An itinerary is currently being developed and will be distributed at the NP meeting for additional comments.