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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
GREATER BRISLINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP (GBNP)
HELD AT 7.00 p.m. on 16 SEPTEMBER 2013
AT ST PETER'S CHURCH
ALLISON ROAD, BRISLINGTON**

PRESENT:

Ward councillors:

Councillor Mike Wollacott (Brislington East ward)

Councillor Peter Main (Brislington West ward)

Neighbourhood Partnership members:

Juliette Randall

Marie Hodge

Officers and other statutory partners:

Ariaf Hussain, Bristol City Council (BCC), Area Co-ordinator

April Richmond, BCC, Neighbourhood Development Officer

Shaun Taylor, BCC, Area Manager – Highways & Transport

Daniel Judges, BCC, Area Environment Officer

Caroline Hollies, BCC, Neighbourhood Working Co-ordinator

Emily Smith, BCC, Neighbourhood Working Co-ordinator

Ian Hird, BCC, Democratic Services

Sergeant Ben Dash, Avon and Somerset Police

Others in attendance:

Paul Hodge (resident)

Christine Hodge (resident)

Richard Turpin (Learning Partnership West)

Note: in line with the ongoing, "rotating chair" arrangements, it was noted that Cllr Mike Langley had been due to chair the neighbourhood committee / partnership agenda items. Given that Cllr Langley had given his apologies, it was agreed that Cllr Peter Main would chair the meeting.

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 Cllr Mike Langley, Cllr Jackie Norman and Inspector Stephen Davey.

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP HELD ON 17 JUNE 2013 (agenda item 2)

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 17 June 2013 be agreed as a correct record.

Neighbourhood Committee items:

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (agenda item 3)

There were no declarations of interest.

4. PUBLIC FORUM (agenda item 4)

There were no public forum items.

5. FOOTWAY MAINTENANCE SCHEMES FOR 2013/14 AND LOCAL TRAFFIC SCHEMES UPDATE (agenda item 5)

The neighbourhood committee considered an update report from the Service Director, Transport.

Key points raised / noted included:

- a. Residents present at the meeting welcomed the recent improvements carried out, to improve road visibility in Wick Road.
- b. Concern was raised about the visibility of a no entry sign at Langton Road which seemed to be routinely ignored. It was noted that officers would look into this (action: Shaun Taylor) .

RESOLVED:

1. That with regard to the 2013/14 work programme for footway maintenance, the following scheme be agreed:

* Glenarm Road / Walk - allocation of £42k on the basis that this scheme be implemented as far as possible in the current financial year.

2. To note the progress on local traffic schemes.
3. That with regard to additional spend on local traffic schemes required to complete the schemes, the following allocations be agreed:
 - * Fermaine Avenue / Allison Road - an additional £2,500 from the 2013/14 budget.
 - * West Town Lane weight restriction - an additional £522.24 from the 2013/14 budget.
4. To note the progress on carriageway resurfacing.

6. ARNOS COURT PARK BMX TRACK – ALTERNATIVE LOCATION / USE OF SECTION 106 FUNDING (agenda item 6)

The neighbourhood committee considered a report from the Area Environment Officer requesting a decision on the alternative location of the BMX and mountain bike track for Arnos Court Park.

RESOLVED:

1. That support be given to the alternative location of the BMX and mountain bike track (as detailed in the report, and noting that this is subject to planning permission).
2. That approval be given to the allocation of £15,537.91 to this scheme (from the Birchwood Road prefab site Section 106 allocation, ref: 08/01798) subject to officers confirming that this budget is available.

7. DEVOLVED SERVICES UPDATE REPORT (agenda item 7)

The neighbourhood committee considered an update report from the Area Co-ordinator.

Key points raised / noted included:

- a. The report set out the latest position in relation to:
 - highways schemes.
 - carriageway and footway resurfacing.
 - clean and green schemes.
 - the wellbeing fund.

- section 106 budgets.
- b. Brislington Brook: It was noted that a report was awaited from the Environment Agency in relation to pollution in Brislington Brook. It was also suggested that officers should assess whether a project could be developed to improve access through Nightingale Valley, to make it easier for pushchair and wheelchair users to gain access to the site. It was noted that there may be opportunities to secure match funding from the Forestry Commission.

RESOLVED:

- To note the report and the above information.

8. WELLBEING BUDGET REPORT (agenda item 8)

The neighbourhood committee considered a report from the Area Co-ordinator setting out funding recommendations from the Brislington wellbeing panel for the allocation of wellbeing funding.

In discussion, the Chair stressed the importance of continuing to communicate to local groups and organisations about the availability of potential funding from the wellbeing budget, for the benefit of the community.

RESOLVED:

- That the following allocations be approved:

1. St Anne's Park Children's Centre - funding towards a crèche - £500.
2. Just Jog - funding for training for two run leaders and for marketing material - £390.

Neighbourhood Partnership items:

9. NEIGHBOURHOOD COMMUNITY SAFETY UPDATE (agenda item 9)

The partnership considered an update report.

Key points raised / noted included:

- a. It was noted that dwelling burglary was up by 7.1% in Brislington East. Burglary from sheds accounted for a significant proportion of the increase – to counter this, advice had been given locally and shed alarms had been made available.

- b. It was agreed that data on crime detection rates should be included in future update reports.

AGREED:

- To note the report and the above information.

10. NEIGHBOURHOOD WORKING UPDATE (agenda item 10)

The partnership considered an update report from the Area Co-ordinator.

In discussion, it was noted that once a “long list” of priorities had been put together, engagement activity would be progressed across the partnership area. Ultimately, 10 priorities would be identified. The Chair stressed the importance of sharing / learning best practice from other neighbourhood partnership areas.

AGREED:

1. To note the report and the process for the prioritisation of neighbourhood working actions.
2. To note that the priorities that the neighbourhood working team will tackle will be chosen by the neighbourhood partnership, and will bring together existing neighbourhood priorities.

11. AREA CO-ORDINATOR’S UPDATE REPORT (agenda item 11)

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

AGREED:

- To note the report.

12. OTHER BUSINESS – FOR INFORMATION (agenda item 12)

1. Richard Turpin drew attention to the services available via Learning Partnership West.
2. Site allocations: following discussion in relation to Brislington meadows, it was noted that the Site Allocations and Development Management Policies had been submitted to the Secretary of State on 12 July for independent examination. An inspector had been appointed and the examination hearing was due to start on 19 November. Further details were available on the Council’s web site.

3. A briefing note was circulated, setting out information on consultation on the Council's licensing policy 2014-19.

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING (agenda item 13)

It was noted that the next meeting of the Greater Brislington Neighbourhood Partnership would take place at 7.00 pm on Monday 9 December 2013 at Brislington Enterprise College.

CHAIR