



AGENDA ITEM NO. 9

## GREATER BRISLINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP 15 JUNE 2015

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Neighbourhood Management

**Title:** Neighbourhood Partnership Coordinators' Update Report

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RECOMMENDATIONS – to note the updates and dates for diaries on the following:

- 1. Neighbourhood Partnership Action Sheet (appendix 9a) including s106 and CIL Information Sheet (appendix 9b)
- 2. Neighbourhood Partnership Short Plan
- 3. Equalities Training

#### 1. NP Action Sheet

Attached as Appendix 9a is the update from the Neighbourhood Partnership Action Sheet form the March 2015 Meeting.

Also included is the s106 and CIL information sheet as Appendix 9b

#### 2. NP Short Plan

The Neighbourhood Partnership Short Plan (Appendix 9c) has been produced from the Neighbourhood Partnership Community Plan. Its purpose is as marketing and promotional material for the Neighbourhood Partnership. It should be ready for publication and promotion within the next month.

#### 3. Equalities Training

 The Neighbourhood Partnership has a revised equalities training session booked for the 22 June 2015 from 6.00pm to 7.30pm at Knowle Community Centre.

•	This session is a joint session as at the previously arranged session no- one from the NP was able to attend.



#### Action Sheet Greater Brislington Neighbourhood Partnership 16 March 2015

Minute No	Title of Report/ Description	Action	Responsible person	Action taken and date completed
5.4 (b)	Highways Report  – Traffic lights  Bath Road/Sandy  Park Road	New chip for the filter on traffic lights. Speak to Highways team to chase this. Report back on findings to the next NP meeting.	Adam Crowther	New PROM is ready for installation, works will be carried out shortly followed by ongoing monitoring and validation
5.4 (c)	Highways Report  – matters arising	Bath Road outside Arnos Vale Cemetery – temporary traffic lights. Speak to Highways team and report back on findings to the next NP meeting.	Adam Crowther	Crossing was very old so when the controller was struck it could not be replaced and we have to replace the whole site. These works have been ordered but some decisions are outstanding due to the nature of the crossing and its proximity to Arnos Vale. Cannot confirm installation date of new crossing yet but equipment has been ordered.
5.4(d)	Highways Report  – matters arising	Concern over condition of Footbridge near Runnymede and the White Hart Pub. Speak to Structures team	Shaun Taylor/ Christopher Dooley	The footbridge is called Brislington Hill Footbridge – Structure No. 67146 Date of last inspection: 28/08/2014 Bridge is routinely inspected every two years – General Inspection (GI) , in accordance with the

Management of Highway Structures COP. The bridge will also get a detailed Principal Inspection (PI) every six years, again in accordance with the Management of Highway Structures COP. To answer the specific questions raised: The bridge is routinely inspected every two years -General inspection, where all visual elements of the structure are inspected. The height of the handrail (parapet) is 1.10m (P2) and conforms to the requirements for this type of footbridge. The handrail is a standard aluminium parapet system for this category of footbridge. 4. The surfacing of the footbridge was inspected as part of the full general inspection on 28/08/2014. The surfacing of the bridge is due for replacement sometime in the financial year 2015/16 and these works will be programmed

				according to overall work priority. 5. The surfacing to the footbridge will be totally replaced sometime within 2015/16 and will be included in the Capital Works programme.
11.	Neighbourhood	Community infrastructure levy	Ariaf Hussain	Included with NP papers for June
	Partnership Report	(CiL) - paper to be distributed to panel members		2015 meeting
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		Library consultation – update at	Ariaf Hussain	
		next NP meeting 15 June.		

# Neighbourhood Partnership Conference (7 February 2015)

# Section 106 and Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Workshop

Section 106 and CIL are types of developer contribution secured via the planning process. Section 106 has been in existence since 1990 and its use was significantly expanded during the 2000 – 2010 decade.

However, in 2010 the government introduced CIL and this is now its preferred method of developer contribution as it is more predictable for developers (i.e. they can calculate the amount they will have to pay) and more transparent (i.e. there is no negotiation over the amount due).

The use of Section 106 has been restricted and it is now only used for the provision of affordable housing, and very specific site related mitigation (eg site access works, compensatory tree planting, amendment to waiting restrictions etc).

## Section 106

#### What is Section 106?

Part of the 1990 Town and Country Planning Act that enables Council's to secure measures to <u>mitigate the impact of development</u> (known as planning obligations). These can be in the form of financial payments to the Council or the direct provision of measures by the developer. In order to seek planning obligations from a development the following <u>legal tests must be satisfied</u>:

A planning obligation may only constitute a reason for granting planning permission for the development if the obligation is

- (A) Necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms;
- (B) Directly related to the development; and

(C) Fairly and reasonably related in scale and kind to the development.

#### Role of Neighbourhood Partnerships in spending Section 106 money.

On 25 November 2010, the Council's Cabinet took a decision to devolve certain Section 106 monies to Neighbourhood Partnerships. These primarily relate to parks and local transport improvements.

These devolved monies must still be spent in accordance with what the Section 106 Agreement stipulates, but the Neighbourhood Partnership will be able to identify priorities and allocate the devolved Section 106 monies accordingly.

#### How are decisions over devolved Section 106 monies made?

All decisions over devolved Section 106 spend must be made at a public minuted meeting of the Neighbourhood Committee.

## CIL

#### What is CIL?

A non-negotiable levy based on a series of charges, which is applied to most new development based on the increase in floorspace.

#### What is it to be spent on?

CIL is to be spent on infrastructure to support growth. It works like a tax in that its spend does not have to be directly related to the development that paid it.

#### How is it apportioned?

Government regulations require that CIL is apportioned as follows:

- 80 pence in each pound is applied to strategic infrastructure
- 5 pence in each pound is applied to set up and administration costs
- 15 pence in each pound is devolved to the Neighbourhood Partnership in which the development that paid the CIL is located.

In areas where a Neighbourhood Development Plan is in place the devolved figure increases to 25 pence in each pound, provided that the development

that paid the CIL was granted planning permission after the Neighbourhood Development Plan took effect.

#### Are there constraints on the devolved proportion of CIL?

The regulations state as follows insofar as the devolved proportion is concerned:

A local council [Neighbourhood Partnership in Bristol's case] <u>must use</u>

<u>CIL receipts passed to it to support the development of the local</u>

<u>council's area, by funding:</u>

- A) The provision, improvement, replacement, operation or maintenance of infrastructure; or
- B) Anything else that is concerned with addressing the demands that development places on an area

#### How are decision over spend of the devolved proportion made?

All decisions over devolved CIL spend must be made at a public minuted meeting of the Neighbourhood Committee.

#### **Examples of things that CIL can or cannot be spent on?**

Item	Legitimate use of CIL
A Pedestrian Crossing	✓
Park improvements	✓
A grant to enable young people to be	*
provided with musical instruments	
Improvements to a Community	✓
Building	
An alley gating scheme	*
A new shop front for a commercial	*
enterprise	
Improvements to land or buildings	*
that have limited or no public access	
Expansion of a surgery	✓
Library improvements	✓

The above list is not exhaustive, rather it is meant to give a broad indication as to what may be appropriate uses of CIL.

## General Note

Neither CIL nor Section 106 monies should be seen as a pot for giving grants to local community groups etc. The purpose of Section 106 is to provide measures to mitigate the impact of development and the purpose of CIL is to support growth.

Where decisions over devolved CIL and Section 106 monies are made, the scheme to be funded should be delivered by the relevant Council department in all but exceptional circumstances.

An example of exceptional circumstances would be where measures to improve a community building were approved and where the community building was in external ownership (WI, Red Cross, Scouts etc). In such cases the organisation would be required to present invoices to the Council, who would reimburse the organisation enabling them to pay their contractors / suppliers.

## CIL & Section 106 Information

Monthly updated Section 106 and CIL information relating to monies received, held and spent are published on the following Bristol City Council webpages:

http://www.bristol.gov.uk/page/section-106-monies

http://www.bristol.gov.uk/page/planning-and-building-regulations/community-infrastructure-levy-money

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Neighbourhood Partnerships are local decision-making structures that consult on and agree community priorities and deliver positive impacts in their areas. The agreed priorities are set out in each area's Neighbourhood Partnership Plan.

There are 14 Neighbourhood Partnerships in Bristol made up of either two or three electoral wards. The membership of each partnership includes residents, organisations and the local Councillors from the wards within the Partnership area.

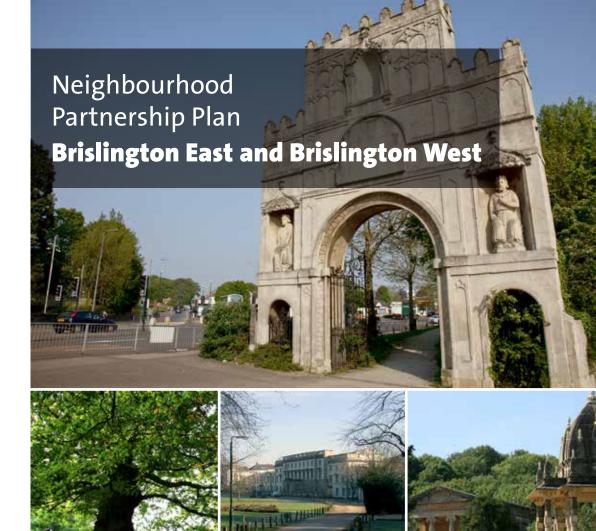
Each Partnership allocates significant resources to benefit their local community. Improvements they have made include new playgrounds, sports facilities, provision for older and younger residents, as well as making grants to support many local voluntary groups.

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Most Partnerships hold regular open meetings called Neighbourhood Forums, where anyone from the neighbourhood can come and raise ideas and concerns about local services and community issues.

Subgroups focus on key topics like Parks and Transport. They develop ideas and their recommendations for action are then put forward to the Partnership.

To find out more about the NP you live in and how you can get involved, go to:
www.bristol.gov.uk/page/
council-and-democracy/
neighbourhood-partnerships



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## **Greater Brislington Neighbourhood Partnership**

Our Neighbourhood Partnership Plan 2015 - 2017



Neighbourhood Partnerships bring local people, elected members and service providers together, working to deliver better results for local areas and communities.

To shape the local community plan 2014/17 we asked you what should be the priorities.

Below are the priorities and what the Neighbourhood Partnership will aim to do:

- have well used and managed parks, green spaces and public realm spaces
- identify improvements with park groups, users and other stakeholders
- influence the grounds maintenance service
- support growing projects that operate from green spaces
- reduce fly tipping, litter and dog fouling by identifying and targeting hotspot locations

- address local traffic and transport issues
- deliver good quality highways schemes as identified and agreed through the Traffic Choices process
- undertake road safety awareness with local colleges and schools by Emery Road/ Bath Road
- improve traffic signaling at the junction of Sandy Park Road and Bath Road
- be a place where there is low crime and anti-social behaviour
- work with the Police to tackle hotspot areas of anti-social behaviour
- support the Police to undertake confidence campaigns where there is fear of crime
- influence major developments that have an impact on the area
- ensure residents are informed of major developments such as the Enterprise Zone and others that are identified within the site allocations strategy

- increase information and access to activity and provision for younger people, older people and families
- research the existing community activity and provision that happens for local communities
- support and promote local community activity and groups
- work with young people service providers to address gaps in provision
- identify improvements to local retail and business centers
- identify improvements to signage and parking at Sandy Park Road, Wick Road and Broomhill Road
- bring communities together and increase volunteering with the area
- provide support for community events
- share information on volunteering opportunities at community engagement activities
- share training and learning opportunities available for volunteers



- To ensure that the Neighbourhood Partnership is representative of the area and community
- increase local knowledge
   of the Neighbourhood
   Partnership through
   engagement meetings/events
   and training
- ensure that local residents and partner organisations on the Neighbourhood Partnership board are representative of the area.