

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3

HENBURY AND SOUTHMEAD NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP

TUESDAY 2ND JULY 2013 AT 7.00 P.M.

AT THE HALL, HENBURY SCHOOL, STATION ROAD, HENBURY

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Ward Councillors							
Councillor M Weston (Henbury)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Councillor C Windows (Henbury)	P	P	P	P	P	P	A
Councillor B Massey (Southmead)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Councillor Jenny Smith (Southmead)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Resident Partner Members							
Adrian Boyce (Brentry)	P	A	P	A	P	P	P
Bob Farmer (Brentry)	P	P	P	A	P	A	P
Daron Devonshire	A	P	P	P	A	P	
Tim Parkinson	A	P	P	A	P		P
Sue Parfitt	A	P	P	A	P		
Antony Skelding						A	A
Rose Carr (Henbury)	A	P	P	P	P	P	
Chris Pratt (Henbury)	P	P	A	P	P	P	
Jean Sallabank (Henbury)	P	P	A	P	P	P	
Joan Bennett (Southmead)	P	P	A	P	A	P	P
Pat Newport (Southmead)	P	P	A	P	A	P	
Ian Thornley (Southmead)	A	P	P	P	P	P	P
Gill Waines (Southmead)		A	A	A	A		
Toni Webb (Southmead)	P	P	P	P	P	A	P
Ronda Brace	A	P	A	A	A		
Deana Perry (Southmead)	P	A	A	P	A	P	P
Alex Kittow (Southmead)			P	P	P	P	P
Partner Agency Reps							
Mark Runacres (Avon and Somerset Police)	A	P	A	P	A	A	A
Judith Taylor, (Health Promotion Lead, North Bristol: Bristol NHS)	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Lee Paterson (Avon and Somerset Police)						P	A
Shaun Bream (Avon and Somerset Police)						P	A
Officers in attendance							
Paul Chick, BCC North Area Planning Manager	P						
John Bos, BCC Community Assets Manager	P						
Keith Houghton, Area Co-ordinator	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Sam Parker, Neighbourhood Development Officer	P	P	P	A	P	A	A
Lynn Parfitt, Neighbourhood Development Officer						P	A
Richard Jones, Democratic Services	P	P					
Karen Blong, Democratic Services			P	P	P	P	P
Stuart Pattison, Safer Bristol			P	P			
Dan Judges, Area Environment Officer			P	P	P		
Richard Fletcher, Neighbourhood			P	A			

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Engagement Manager							
Debbie Rogers, CYPS Safeguarding/ Better Together				P	A		
Gemma Dando, Service Manager, Neighbourhood Partnerships				P	A		
Mark Sperduty, Area Manager					P		
C Cross, LPW						P	
A Carter, LPW						P	
Rose Richard, Youth Links, BCC						P	
Peter De Boer, Youth Worker, BCC						P	P

**Item
No:**

NEIGHBOURHOOD COMMITTEE ITEMS

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS, APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Chair, Cllr Weston welcomed the Neighbourhood Partnership (NP) Members and guests and introductions were made. Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Windows.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Massey referred to her role as Cabinet Member for Children, Young People and Education.

3. PUBLIC FORUM

None.

4. MINUTES – HENBURY AND SOUTHMEAD NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP – 4TH JUNE 2013

The following was highlighted;

The South Gloucestershire Development

- Reference was made to an incorrect spelling – should read the *Public Transport Routes*.

Bristol Youth Links Delivery & Progress on Community Asset Transfer

- Alex Kittow requested that the minutes recorded that communities would be supported when pursuing the community asset transfers and LPW would be required to pay some rent on community buildings.
- The correct spelling of Peter De Boers name was noted.

Actions carried over from the last meeting;

- (1) The AC to request LPW to provide information on the proportion of work taking place with young people in the area against the number of people living in the area;**
- (2) The AC to provide information on the total amount of Wellbeing funded awarded to the football club in the previous five years.**

Boundary Review

- Cllr Weston confirmed that a Full Boundary Review was due to take place in Bristol before 2016.

Action - Cllr Weston to request advice on the legality of implementing a boundary review in Henbury, Brentry and Southmead prior to the city wide review.

THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP AGREED –

That the minutes of the meeting of the Henbury and Southmead Neighbourhood Partnership be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

5. WELLBEING REPORT: HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES APPLICATION

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered a report of the Area Co-ordinator (agenda item no. 5) setting out the wellbeing report.

The Area Co-ordinator presented the report and introduced Peter De Boer, Senior Youth and Community Worker. The Committee considered the Henbury & Southmead Wellbeing Fund Application from WISH and HAPPY and the following was noted;

- The funding would support the infrastructure costs for two local Play schemes – HAPPY & WISH.
- The North area Youth Links Senior Practitioner (SP) had considered the North programme of activities for children aged 5 – 19 and a local gap had been identified for the 5 to 8 year olds.
- HAPPY & WISH would create 170 scheme places. Both schemes have confirmed they would be willing to be flexible and each team would be tasked to identify families who would benefit.
- There were few organisations in Henbury delivering services. The Girl Guide Group had been identified and the Football Club would be approached.
- HAPPY would use the Wellbeing Funding to work with 5 to 6 year olds and the BYCA funded activities for 8 to 12 year olds.
- HAPPY had been advised to re-consider the current price charged for providing the service, current cost was only £10 per day. Increased costs could improve sustainability and places would be more economical than child care. Further work should take place with HAPPY to consider the business model used.
- Money could be accessed from the Early Help Team to assist with costs and free places could be provided.
- Programmes would be run from Brentry Lodge Centre on Crow Lane.

- Some child care places would be purchased. Lawrence Weston Out of School Activities (LWOSA) was an example of a scheme that aimed to help those most in need.
- Funding would provide specialist workers, especially important for children who were attending for the first time. A breakdown of the total costs of work was provided on page 33 of the agenda papers.
- The HAPPY scheme would work with the police team to provide a drop in facility at the Youth Centres in the afternoon. Activities funded by BYCA would be in the Henbury area and would be free and open access to the public.
- HAPPY and WISH would add value to the Youth Links Contract. Models that balanced community and paid sector provision could be considered. Lawrence Weston (e.g. Lawrence Weston Community Farm) was an example of an area where this had worked successfully. A city wide approach could be considered which empowered communities.
- Places could be booked through the community network or through advertising. Some places would be subsidised.
- Southmead adventure playground would offer six sessions per week and funding was also provided from the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) and Southmead Youth Centre.

Residents highlighted the following issues;

- Targeted work could discriminate against some people in the Henbury area. Open access provision would be essential.
- Residents in private tenancies could still require support and were often overlooked. Some people were reluctant to ask for help.
- Scheme places could be advertised through the Southmead Festival and Henbury & Southmead Fun Day. It would be important to reach out to those people who had not used the provision before.
- Information should be included in the community newsletters.

The Area Co-ordinator referred to the challenge of making Holiday Activities funding decisions in a limited time scale. In future, the NP could assess the provision in the Autumn; considering what was provided and what could be improved. An exploration exercise could consider successful models in other communities. This would allow the community to provide a clear steer going forward.

Cllr Weston suggest the formation of a sub-group to consider the provision of Youth Activity in the area.

Alex Kittow referred to a recent Southmead steering group meeting which considered Wellbeing Funding. The Group agreed that all applications should be

considered inline. The group had considered allocating funding individually, rather than pooling resources with the Henbury area.

THE NEIGHBOURHOOD COMMITTEE RESOLVED –

- (1) that the current Wellbeing financial statement/budget be noted;**
- (2) that the recommendation to award £3,000 to the two VCS organisations to provide holiday activities be approved;**
- (3) that the contributions which the projects recommended for funding make to fulfil the public sector equality duty be noted;**
- (4) that the legal information which guides all decisions about Wellbeing grant funding be noted;**
- (5) that a sub-group be formed to evaluate the Holiday Activity Programme and to provide a steer on future requirements in the area.**

6. SOUTH GLOUCESTERSHIRE DEVELOPMENT – DEVELOPING A NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP SUBMISSION

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered a report of the Area Co-ordinator (agenda item no. 6) setting out details of the South Gloucestershire development submission.

The Chair circulated a report which detailed residents concern related to the South Gloucestershire Development. NP Members and guests were invited to comment on the report which would then be sent to the BS10 Parks and Planning Group to consider and comments would be brought back to the next meeting. A final statement would then be submitted to South Gloucestershire. A public meeting would take place on the 11th July 2013.

The NP considered the circulated report and the following comments were noted;

- The increased amount of traffic could affect the use of the golf course; environmental impacts on the people in Southmead and Brentry could be significant.
- The development could negatively impact on Southmead Hospital.
- That the traffic flow from the site should be encouraged to flow Northwards away from the Bristol border so as to minimise the impact on local roads and communities.
- South Gloucestershire planning Officers should agree in writing to attend all BS10 group meetings.

- The original Redrow development pre-dated the airfield closure and further consultation would be essential. The number of houses could increase.
- Community connections would be difficult to develop. The development would require additional infrastructure and should not rely on the provision in Henbury and Brentry.
- Access should be avoided through Charlton Road as this could set a precedent and could have an adverse effect on the community. South Gloucestershire would be able to open roads when building the development and then subsequently close, leaving only the current access roads.
- A resident from the Henleaze, Stoke Bishop and Westbury on Trym NP highlighted that problems would also affect the surrounding areas. The AC confirmed that notes from the previous meeting had been sent to the corresponding NP ACs to be added to the papers for the next meeting.
- A revised draft supplementary planning document was due to be published in May, followed by a six week consultation period. This would be a critical time for people to contribute.

Actions;

(1) Cllr Weston to update the summary report (appendix a to the minutes) and submit to the BS10 group;

(2) Ward Councillors from Henbury and Southmead NP would attend the Horfield & Lockleaze and Henleaze, Stoke Bishop & Westbury on Trym NP meetings to highlight issues and request support and co-signing of the statement;

(3) The AC would provide the group with a timetable of key meetings related to the development and a communication plan for the future.

The AC noted an issue highlighted by the Area Environment Officer regarding the Children's Play Group Development on Crow Lane Open Space and an outstanding Town and Village Green Application. The NP agreed that the building work on the play ground should go ahead, noting that the Friends of Crow Lane were in agreement.

THE NEIGHBOURHOOD COMMITTEE RESOLVED –

(1) that the update on the 5th June South Gloucestershire drop-in events be noted; and

(2) that the proposal to develop a planned timetable of influencing activity for our NP area and ensuring both South Gloucestershire and Bristol City Council are fully engaged in working with Henbury/Brentry and Southmead communities in order to maximise the influence on the design and impact of the South Gloucestershire developments over the coming year be approved; and

- (3) that a summary report of concerns (appendix a) be submitted to the BS10 Park and Planning Group and discussed at the next NP meeting; and**
- (4) that Henbury and Southmead Councillors would attend the Horfield and Lockleaze & Henleaze and Stoke Bishop and Westbury on Trym NP meetings to request support and co-signing of the statement of concerns;**
- (5) to note the outstanding Town and Village Green Application on Crow Lane and agree that building work should begin on the Children's Playground development as this was in keeping with the character of the area.**

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will take place on at 7.00 p.m. on Tuesday 23rd 2013 at The Raleigh Room, Greenway Centre, Doncaster Road, Southmead.

(The meeting ended at 8.30 pm)

CHAIR

Proposed Neighbourhood Partnership Response 2nd July

We believe that the closure of the Airfield was short sighted and will cause economic problems in the years ahead. However our purpose on writing this joint statement is not to dwell on the mistake of closing the Airfield but rather as an attempt by local Bristol residents and neighbourhoods to have a say in such a massive development within South Gloucestershire's borders.

The residents of Henbury, Brentry and Southmead view with concern the proposed construction of 5,700 houses to the immediate North of the two Council Wards. These concerns can be summarised as follows:

- The immediate transport impact of such a development on the roads of North Bristol, these include specifically Charlton Road, Fishpool Hill and Passage Road, but also the wider road network.
- The possibility of local services not being provided until after the houses have been built and occupied. This could potentially swamp local services in Henbury, Brentry and Southmead and exclude existing local residents from accessing vital facilities.
- Lack of formal and ongoing consultation with the residents and communities of North Bristol.
- The loss of green space in general, and specifically the potential destruction of the Charlton Common at the top of Brentry.
- The possible increase in flood risk along the Henbury Trym due to increased rain runoff from the new development.
- That access to the site for construction materials via Charlton Road will have an adverse impact on local residents.

With these stated we would request the following assurances in writing from South Gloucestershire Council:

- That no access be planned down Fishpool Hill.
- That Charlton Road be for public transport only; we do not want general access via this road either to or from the new development. We are opposed to a Brentry Rat Run.
- That we will be consulted on the proposed travel plan and mapping for the development.
- That South Gloucestershire will work with Bristol City Council to ensure that railway development will form part of any such traffic and transport proposal, and that land be earmarked for a new station in the area.

- That any adverse impact, no matter its origin (be it flooding, congestion etc), from the new development be mitigated against.
- That the traffic flow from the site be encouraged to flow Northwards away from the Bristol border so as to minimise the impact on local roads and communities.
- That the full environmental impact of the development be considered.
- That the infrastructure for the new development be phased in during construction and not left to the end. We don't wish to see local facilities in the North of Bristol overwhelmed by too many residents that have not been adequately catered for.
- That a continuous dialogue be established between South Gloucestershire's planning officers and the Neighbourhood Partnership as part of the SPD process. This should happen no less than quarterly until the document is finalised, and thereafter should be expanded to include the principle developers themselves.

We hope that you will provide us with these assurances as soon as possible. Although the development falls outside of Bristol City Council's boundaries its impact will be very much felt by the residents of the City, hence this statement today.