

**Minutes of the meeting of the
Henleaze, Stoke Bishop & Westbury-on-Trym
Neighbourhood Partnership held at
Henleaze Junior School Park Grove Bristol
9 March 2015 at 7 pm**

Members

Ward Councillors

Henleaze - Clare Champion-Smith (P), Glenise Morgan (P)
Stoke Bishop - Peter Abraham (A), John Goulandris (P)
Westbury-on-Trym - Geoff Gollop (P), Alastair Watson (P)

Neighbourhood Partnership Ward Members

Henleaze - Valerie Bishop (P), Maggie Clarke (P), Helen Furber (P),
Simon Tomlinson (P)
Stoke Bishop - Gay Huggins (P), Wendy Hull (P), Alan Preece (P),
Vacancy (A)
Westbury-on-Trym - Alan Aburrow (P), Sue Boyd (P), David Mayer (P),
Vacancy (A)

Co-opted members -
Graham Donald (A) Stephanie French (P)

Partners

Mark Runacres (A) – police representative

Also present: Mark Sperduty – Area Manager Transport/Traffic Team,
Gary Brentnall Neighbourhood Engagement Officer, Andrew McGrath-
Neighbourhood Co-ordinator, Steve Gregory-Clerk to the
Neighbourhood Partnership.

1. Welcome and introductions, apologies for absence.

Apologies for absence were received from Graham Donald and
Councillor Abraham. Councillor Gollop also gave apologies for
arriving later in the meeting (8 pm).

2. Minutes of the meeting of the Neighbourhood Partnership held on 8 December 2014

The Minutes of the meeting held on 8 December 2014 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair subject to the Tree report being mentioned under Minute No. 7 (ii).

Matters arising

Concern was expressed about delays in Neighbourhood Partnership approved funding being released to implement local schemes. Councillor Gollop (Deputy Mayor) confirmed that he was aware of the problem and would do all possible to resolve this matter as soon as possible.

3. Declarations of interest

None declared.

4. Public forum

Subject	Name	Number
Cycle Sunday	Ben Parr	1
“	Rose Wharton	2
“	Jake Decker-Evans	3
“	Chrissie Decker	4
“	Phil Hindson	5
“	Rachel Garstang	6
“	Vicki Cracknell	7
“	Robin Lapworth	8
Canford Park Gateway	Hilary Long	9

The Partnership noted the comments and concerns raised in statements 1-9. The Chair explained that statements 1-8 would be considered under Agenda item 6 Wellbeing.

With regard to statement 9 a response to the question raised about ‘paying Bristol City Council officers for meetings’ would be given at the next Environmental Working Group following consultation with Tracey Morgan Service Director Environment & Leisure.

5. Neighbourhood Partnership Plan

The Partnership received a report (agenda item 5) about the Neighbourhood Partnership Plan which sets out the priorities of the Neighbourhood Partnership over the next three years.

The Chair explained that the Plan before the Neighbourhood Partnership was in two parts with the first part to be agreed at this meeting regarding columns four and five. The second part was an alternative option. It was proposed and seconded that the priorities of the first part, including the evidence, would be included within the second part and this would formulate the final version of the Plan.

It was noted that the Plan was not permanent and could be amended if necessary.

On being put to the vote Neighbourhood Partnership –

AGREED – that the Neighbourhood Plan be approved in accordance with the amendments discussed above and that the process used to develop the Plan be noted.

6. Wellbeing

The Partnership received a report of the Neighbourhood Co-ordinator (agenda item no. 6) regarding the allocation and recommendations of the Wellbeing Panel.

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered the requests made during the public forum session (Statements 1-8) and discussed possible alternatives to the recommendations of the Wellbeing Working Group.

It was then suggested that the recommendations be amended to allow full funding for the Safe Cycling for Kids (Cycle Sunday) project by transferring money from the Lampposts project (for additional lighting along a public footpath in W-o-T). The shortfall for the Lamppost project to be funded from Community Infrastructure Levy money (CIL). The Wellbeing Working Group members did not support the suggested amendment.

After further discussion the Neighbourhood Committee Members present voted on the recommendations as set out in the report and the suggestion to amend the recommendations in respect of the Safe Cycling for Kids project and Lampposts project.

On being put to the vote it was unanimously -

Resolved - to approve funding/non funding as set out below -

Name of applicant	Amount requested £	Discussion and Recommendation
43 rd Bristol Scouts	£3,000	<p>Panel recommends that the applicant be paid the £3k that is currently being held by the NP on the scout's behalf, which was awarded for kitchen and toilet improvements. The panel will then look favourably on the applicant if they re-apply for the same amount of money for the original purpose.</p> <p>Unanimous vote in favour</p> <p>Recommendation:</p> <p><u>Do not fund</u>. Release previously awarded money for £3,000</p>
Age UK	£2,500	<p>NP does not pay salaries, which is the bulk of this application. Unanimous vote against funding</p> <p>Recommendation:</p> <p><u>Do not fund</u></p>
Friends of the Downs and Avon Gorge	£3,000	<p>7 against, 1 in favour.</p> <p>Insufficient funds at present but the panel is willing to consider this application in the future</p> <p>Recommendation:</p> <p><u>Do not fund</u></p>
Henleaze Infants School	£900	<p>Yes. Unanimous vote in favour. Request is that a plaque/acknowledgement is placed somewhere showing the NP's contribution</p> <p>Recommendation:</p> <p><u>Fund £900</u> (with above condition)</p>
Henleaze Society information board	£1,500	<p>To fund up to this amount. Any extra costs will be paid for by the Henleaze Society. All in favour, 1 abstention</p> <p>Recommendation: <u>Fund £1,500</u></p>
Henleaze Society	£2,000	Applicant is requested to seek a

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		<p>secure place to house the defibrillator, perhaps the Tesco on Henleaze Road. 7 in favour, 1 against.</p> <p>Recommendation: <u>Fund</u></p>
Kewstoke Road Residents	£1,800	<p>Unanimous in favour to pay £1,417.39</p> <p>Recommendation:</p> <p><u>Fund £1,417.39</u></p>
NP3 (WotBA willing to be accountable body)	£769	<p>6 in favour, 1 abstention</p> <p>Recommendation:</p> <p><u>Fund</u></p>
NP3 Environment Working Group	£5,362.43	<p><i>Panel decided to fund 2 lampposts for £5,362.43</i></p> <p><i>Recommendation: Fund</i></p> <p>AMENDED -</p> <p><u>Jointly fund from Wellbeing Allocation and CIL funds as appropriate</u></p>
Safe Cycling for Kids	£1,696	<p><i>Stronger application. Panel considers lots of other parks could do this safely. Assume participants will drive to the event; Not enough money in the fund for this year. 6 against, 2 abstentions.</i></p> <p><i>Original Recommendation: <u>Do not fund</u></i></p> <p><u>AMENDED – to fully fund from Wellbeing Allocation</u></p>
Stoke Bishop CA	£3,000	<p>Strong application.</p> <p>Recommendation: <u>Fund</u></p>
Henleaze Floral	£1,009.18	Recommendation: <u>Fund</u>

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display		
North Bristol Well Being Choir	£500	<p><i>The NP has twice deferred reaching an agreement on this application. At the last NP, the councillors had concerns that the membership isn't solely from the HSBWOT NP area. The NP requested that a breakdown of the membership from the NP area be sought. This has now been obtained. At the last count, 60% of the attendees came from the HSBWOT NP area, the remaining 40% from others. The NP Committee is now requested to make a decision on funding for this group.</i></p> <p>DECISION</p> <p>Defer and bring back to Wellbeing Panel in 2015/16</p>

7. Feedback from Working Groups

(i) Transport

The Partnership noted the latest position of the issues detailed in the report particularly welcoming the announcement, by the Mayor of Bristol in January, confirming that £500k would be put toward allocating additional highway resources to clear the city-wide backlog of minor traffic schemes;

Other key points -

GBBN – Area Highways Manager undertook to progress the results of the monitoring survey and its findings by or before the next Neighbourhood Partnership meeting and if possible by the next Transport Working Group meeting;

CPNN – the Neighbourhood Partnership noted the proposed Mall shopping centre expansion and the increased traffic congestion this would cause in association with the new Cribbs/Patchway Neighbourhood development already underway. Traffic mitigation solutions for the CPNN were still awaiting clarification;

Chock Lane - the Neighbourhood Partnership noted that the start date for this scheme had been continually pushed back despite continued requests to the Area Manager (Highways) and the Service Director for Transport. Concern was expressed that if this work did not commence before the end of March then the credibility of the NP and its Transport Working Group might be compromised. A further point of concern related to lack of detail about the level of available funding going forward. The Area Manager for Traffic & Transport acknowledged that this was not satisfactory and gave a commitment to try and provide accurate figures before the next NP meeting.

Footway Refurbishment Schemes – the Partnership noted that responsibility for footway and surface dressing schemes had now been returned to highway officers. Information derived from Footway Network Surveys, which sought to plan mass replacement schemes, would inform future prioritisation of work. An update of the Surveys status would be given in the near future by the Area Highways manager, Mark Sperduty.

(ii) Environment report (including Tree report)

Report noted but one decision, not included in the report, required to be taken. This related to a request for the £1,500 Clean and Green money to be used for floral displays.

On being put to the vote the Neighbourhood Committee unanimously –

Resolved – that the £1,500 Clean and Green money be used for floral displays.

(iii) Communication

The report was noted.

(iv) Older people

The Partnership was informed that a report was available and would be submitted to the next meeting.

(v) General issues

The Chair informed the Partnership that Simon Tomlinson was progressing work for a Young Person/Children's Working Group/Panel.

8. Neighbourhood Co-ordinator's report

The Partnership considered a report of the Neighbourhood Co-ordinator (agenda item no. 8) updating on various issues and for decision.

Key points made –

- (i) Members were urged to attend a public meeting to discuss and consider possible options for W-o-T Library being held on 26 March 2015 at the Methodist Church Hall, W-o-T;
- (ii) A drop in session in respect of Henleaze Library had been changed from 10 March to a date in May, to be confirmed;
- (iii) The Library consultation period had been extended by one month;
- (iv) Figures for library costs versus closure/savings would be useful, Councillor Gollop agreed to try and get details;
- (v) Communications Working Group start times would be at 6 pm not 7 pm;
- (vi) Transport Working Group date was 16 July not 23 July;
- (vii) CIL balance down approximately £1,700 due to funding Wellbeing project;
- (viii) Drop in session at W-o-T Library to commence at 6.30 pm not 6 pm;
- (ix) Members were asked to give their views about a potential Green Capital Arts project as soon as possible and/or by 19 March.

Resolved – that

- 1. The brief updates from the last forums be noted;**
- 2. The brief update on the Bristol Libraries consultation and the public meeting to discuss possible options on 26 March 2015 at the Methodist Church Hall, W-o-T be noted;**
- 3. The updates on the NP's devolved budgets and the update on non-devolved S106 funding allocated to this NP area be noted;**
- 4. The brief update regarding the Green Capital Arts Programme be noted and any additional information regarding a potential project be submitted to the Neighbourhood Coordinator by 19 March 2015.**

Other business reported

- (i) Members were asked to submit their views about a 24/7 licence

application for the Falcondale Road garage;
(ii) Mark Sperduty was asked to explain why there were no 20 mph signs outside Canford Park compared to other speed sensitive sites;
(iii) A suggestion to move to three NP meetings a year instead of the current four was considered and rejected.

(The meeting ended at 9.20 pm)

CHAIR