



Filwood, Knowle and Windmill Hill Neighbourhood Partnership
6.00 pm, 8 March 2017

Present:

* De-notes apologies/absent

Ward Councillors

- Councillor Christopher Davies, Knowle;
- * Councillor Gary Hopkins, Knowle;
- * Councillor Christopher Jackson, Filwood;
- Councillor Jeff Lovell, Filwood;
- Councillor Jon Wellington, Windmill Hill;
- Councillor Lucy Whittle, Windmill Hill;

Partners

Representatives of people who live and work in the Neighbourhood Partnership area

- * Suzanne Audrey
- Mark Bailey
- * Carlton Bodkin
- Les Bowen
- Denise Britt
- Bob Franks
- * Dianne James
- Ken Jones
- * Lee Reed
- Ann Smith
- James Smith
- Maggie Stringer

Other Interested parties:

Inspector R Cheeseman Avon & Somerset Police

Also in Attendance:-

Lloyd Allen, Neighbourhood Officer
Andrew McLean, Neighbourhood Co-ordinator
Claudette Campbell, Democratic Services Officer

1. Welcome and Introductions (agenda item no. 1)

Chair: Councillor Jon Wellington

The Chair led introductions and received apologies.

2. Apologies for Absence (agenda item no. 2)

The following apologies were received:

- Cllr Hopkins
- Cllr Jackson

3. Declaration of Interest (agenda item no. 3)

None

4. Public Forum/resolutions (agenda item no. 4)

None

5. Minutes (agenda item no. 5)

The minutes of the meeting of the Neighbourhood Partnership held on the 7th December 2016 were agreed as correct and signed by the Chair.

Matters Arising:

1. Lloyd Allen is chasing for the street cleaning schedule in a user friendly format.
2. All budgets allocated to the NP for decision have been frozen except for the allocation of Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) and Section.106 funds.
3. Clarity on The Park in relation to the Knowle West Regeneration Framework
 - a. Cllr Davies reiterated that the land on which The Park is situated on was withdrawn from the housing development aspect of the KWRF. But they had not opted out of the KWRF.
 - b. Cllr Lovell shared information held that The Park had been withdrawn from the Parks & Green Space scheme.
 - c. It was agreed that as there had been a change of Board Trustees at The Park, they would be approached to clarify their position in respect of the KWRF.

Action: AM to contact Park for clarity

4. Section 11 F Neighbourhood Co-ordinator Business Report – confirmation that the £65,000 mentioned was no longer available for parks enhancement.

6. Future Neighbourhood Partnership Arrangements (agenda item no. 6)

The Partnership received from the Neighbourhood Co-ordinator Andrew Mclean, the following reports for consideration:

1. The Future of NP – local decision-making models for discussion
2. Neighbourhood Partnership Transition timeline 1st Draft dated 1st March 2016
3. FKWH NP Summary of work plan to agree NP transition plan

Andrew Mclean worked through the options outlined in The Future of NPA. A discussion followed on the issues arising from the transition and the proposals outlined.

The following was noted from the discussion that followed.

- a. The options outlined were based on combination of formats for the future based on whether the wards in a partnership agreed to continue to work as a unit or decided to split. The monies available to support resident/Councillor driven options reflecting the formation that would be adopted.
- b. An explanation was requested of the term LSOA, referenced in the options document.
 - LSOA = Lower super output area – it describes areas within a wider locality with pockets of deprivation. Government reports has identified 42 such areas across the City.
- c. There were a number of concerns raised with the suggestion, that meetings would be held in the North, South and Centre area to determine spend of s.106 and CIL monies.
- d. The Partnership members held the view that all Councillors representing their wards would have differing priorities and coming to a consensus may prove difficult and that a decision maybe to the detriment of another ward.
- e. The current 6 Councillors across the 3 wards worked well when decision- making was required. The concern was how that translated to all Councillors attempting to find a consensus.
- f. Residents were concerned that it would translate into a councillor auction and party line working.
- g. All were assured that the aspiration was for community space events to give direction to local councillors on possible spend.
- h. There were real concerns that the sums now available for distribution within a community was so small that it would not generate any interest. All were reminded that attendees/participants needed a reason to attend a meeting and the proposed budget would not meet that threshold.
- i. Cllr Davies shared that the Knowle ward were looking to holding 3/4 meetings a year. Communication would be via local newsletters. Proposing that the collective partnership ward could meet yearly for update meetings.
- j. Concerns were expressed over the 3 wards working separately.
- k. Cllr Lovell, reminded all present that local councillors previously undertook similar ward work without funding prior to the introduction of NP.
- l. A partnership member stated that it was an opportunity to form links with commercial business to support the development of community activities.
- m. AM advised that the transition work involved liaising with active groups within communities not normally part of the NP to share ideas. Meetings would continue with local councillors.
- n. AM requested volunteers for a sub-group to work on the transition plan.
- o. The following agreed to assist
 - Cllr Wellington
 - Mark Bailey
 - Denise Britt
 - Jim Smith
 - Ann Smith
 - Ken Jones
 - Bob Franks
 - Les Bowen
 - Maggie Stringer
- p. AM advised that the current meeting was the last with officer support and therefore the final meeting in the current format.

Resolved:

- I. To note the report
- II. To form a transition sub-group

7. Neighbourhood Partnership Co-ordinator Business Report (agenda item no. 7)

The Partnership received the Business Activities Report from Andrew McLean, Neighbourhood Co-ordinator.

- a. Transformers Fund – the partnership were asked to make a final decision on the allocation of the Transformers Youth Fund. £5,000 from Avon & Somerset police for youth activities.

The Neighbourhood Partnership Agreed:

- I. Knowle West Health Park - £1,000
 - For a wide range of sports and games for local children and young people
 - II. Bristol Noise - £500
 - To host a fun afternoon in Filwood and practical projects in the local area
 - III. Street Space - £3,500
 - Project working with at risk young people in the Knowle area.
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- b. Noted the Tree Champion Update
 - c. Noted the balance of the CIL fund and s.106
 - d. Noted the work of the Environment sub-group
 - e. Noted the Neighbourhood forum updates
 - f. Noted the Future investment in parks and green spaces
 - g. Noted the Targeted Youth Services Plan

8. Neighbourhood Plan updates (agenda item no. 8)

The Partnership noted the updated NP Plan report.

Agreed:

- I. That as the NP would no longer operate in the same way to note the updates without comment

9. Community Safety update (agenda item no. 9)

Inspector Rob Cheeseman, Avon & Somerset Police, circulated the community safety report to the Partnership and provided a brief update from the report.

- a. RC asked the partnership to note the work from the project group called Noise. This is a church organisation based in the North of the City that do community based projects. They are offering 50 volunteers on Easter Monday in the area and all were welcome to provide suggestions on the area of work that should be targeted.

- b. Confirmed that the beat boundary were now realigned to reflect the ward boundary.
- c. An intervention team had been formed working in the Knowle and Hartcliffe area with primary age children.
- d. RC shared that the service would support the new format for NP but unfortunately were unable to offer any funding.

Resolved:

- i. To note the report

10 Highways Report (agenda item no. 10)

The Partnership received the updated Highways report.

- a. The report was noted.
- b. The Councillor for Knowle ward reaffirmed that the Axbridge Road traffic schemes would not be signed off until the work was completed to a satisfactory standard.

11 Any other Business (agenda item no. 11)

The Chair and Partnership members shared comments about the positive work that had arisen from Neighbourhood Partnerships.

12 Close of Meeting (agenda item no. 12)

Date of the Next Meeting: ~~6.00 pm, Monday, 19 June 2017, Filwood Community Centre~~

Meeting ended at 8.01 pm

CHAIR _____

