



## Bishopston, Cotham and Redland Neighbourhood Partnership Agenda

**Date:** Monday, 10 October 2016  
**Time:** 7.00 pm - 9.00 pm  
**Place:** Claremont Room, Redland Green School, Redland Court Road, Bristol  
BS6 7EH

**1. Welcome, Introductions and Apologies for Absence**

**2. Declarations of Interest**

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**3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting (Pages 5 - 12)**

To agree the minutes of the last meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2016 as a correct record.

**4. Public Forum**

Up to 30 minutes is allowed for this item.

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**5. Small Grants Report**

Please note that this report is not yet available and will be dispatched next week.

**6. Reports from Working Groups**

a. **Street Scene** (Pages 13 - 15)

b. **Sustainable Transport** (Page 16)

c. **Parks** (Pages 17 - 19)

d. **Trees** (Pages 20 - 21)

e. **Communication and Engagement** (Pages 22 - 23)

**7. Neighbourhood Co-ordinator's Report** (Pages 24 - 28)

**8. Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled to be held at 7.00pm on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2017 at Gloucestershire County Cricket Ground, Nevil Road, Bristol BS7 9EJ

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## **Bishopston, Cotham and Redland Neighbourhood Partnership 7.00 pm, 20 June 2016**

### **Present:**

\* De-notes absent

### **Ward Councillors**

Councillor Tom Brook, Bishopston and Ashley Down;  
Councillor Eleanor Combley, Bishopston and Ashley Down;  
Councillor Cleo Lake, Cotham;  
Councillor Anthony Negus, Cotham;  
Councillor Martin Fodor, Redland;

\* Councillor Fi Hance, Redland;

### **Partners**

Representatives of people who live and work in the Neighbourhoods of Bishopston, Cotham and Redland

Alison Bromilow

Roger Gimson

Jenny Hoadley

Liz Kew

Rob Umphray

\* Simon Baines

\* Gavin Spittlehouse

\* Lesley Welch

### **Other Interested parties:**

Katarina Luce – SENDaWelcome, Daniella Radice, Nick Clark, Action for Balanced Communities Rep, Dr Patricia Smith, Andrea Stott, Sue Thomas – Bishopston Voice

### **Also in Attendance:-**

Andrew McGrath - Neighbourhood Co-ordinator

Shana Johnson, Democratic Services Manager

## **1. Welcome, Introductions and Apologies for Absence (1)**

There was a vote of thanks to those no longer members of NP – Nick Clarke and ex councillors Tim Malnick, Dani Glazzard and Daniella Radice.

Apologies were received from Councillor Fi Hance, Simon Baines, Gavin Spittlehouse, Lesley Welch and Paul Bolton-Jones.

## **2. Neighbourhood Partnership Annual Meeting Report (2)**

The Partnership considered the AGM report and recommendations and it was

### **Resolved:**

1. That the NP membership be confirmed as follows

#### **a) Councillors:**

- Eleanor Combley
- Tom Brook
- Anthony Negus
- Cleo Lake
- Fi Hance
- Martin Fodor

#### **b) Representatives of Community Groups:**

- Alison Bromilow – Redland and Cotham Amenities Society
- Gavin Spittlehouse – Sustainable Bishopston
- Jenny Hoadley – Bishopston Society
- Roger Gimson – Sustainable Redland

#### **c) Individually appointed reps:**

- Liz Kew
- Rob Umphray

#### **d) Community Advocates.**

- Lesley Welch – Equalities Advocate
- Mark Whiley – Equalities Advocate
- Simon Baines - Business Rep
- Sarah Thorp – Business Rep
- Vacant - Student Rep

2. That Roger Gimson be elected Chair of the Neighbourhood Partnership for 2016/17
3. That Alison Bromilow be elected Vice-Chair of the Neighbourhood Partnership for 2016/17
4. That Cllr Eleanor Combley be elected Chair of the Neighbourhood Committee 2016/17
5. That Cllr Martin Fodor be elected Vice-Chair of the Neighbourhood Committee 2016/17
6. That Kingsdown Conservation Group be added to the list of NP member organisations that send a rep to the NP
7. That the BCR Constitution be amended to allow up to 2 Business/trader advocates to sit on the NP
8. That the NC and NP terms of ref, and NC financial operating framework be confirmed

9. That the amended constitution be confirmed.
10. That the devolved Neighbourhood Budget for 2016-17 be noted
11. That the financial statement and expenditure from 2015-16 be noted

### 3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting (3)

That the Minutes of the meeting held on the 11<sup>th</sup> April 2016 be confirmed as a correct record with amendments as noted and signed by the Chair.

### 4. Declarations of Interest (4)

Cllr Negus declared an interest as member of Chandos Road community Association

### 5. Public Forum (5)

The following Public Forum items were received:

SEndaWelcome – Katarina Luce  
 Living Room Project – Daniella Radice  
 BCR NP Streetscene Group - Rob Umphray Chair of the Group  
 BCR Neighbourhood Partnership Tree Report

In respect of the Tree Report and proposals for spending of Section 106 monies the Neighbourhood Committee **Resolved:**

That priority should be given firstly to the site on Redland Road and then the 4 sites on Edgecumbe Road.

Potential future sites to be forwarded to Cllr Negus.

### 6. Neighbourhood Co-ordinator's Report (8)

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered the Co-ordinator's report and agreed the following:

1. To note the brief update from the recent combined forum
2. To note the information regarding an upcoming citywide NP event
3. To note the latest meeting schedule of dates for Forums and NP meetings in 2016/17
4. To note the links for detailed updates on the NP's S106 and CIL budgets.
5. To note the latest BCR NP budget updates and proposed working group budget allocations as follows:

<b>Working Group</b>	<b>Spend limit for 2016/17</b>
Street Scene	£7,083.50
Sustainable Travel	£7,000
Trees	£3,000
Young People	£1,000

Communication & Engagement	£3,250
Parks	£50,000
Small Grants	£25,000

Working Group spending limits would be discussed by the NP and brought for approval to the meeting in October.

6. To delegate £1,500 to officers to help working groups deliver their projects

## 7. Small Grants (6)

The Partnership considered the report of the Small Grants Subgroup. The amount of grant aid requested was £18,207 from seven applicants. All applicants met the criteria and all, at different levels, involved volunteers within the activities, or in the case of Redland Parish Church, the impact of the funding would encourage further voluntary activity. Four had secured other financial resources and all used volunteer time, some extensively. The Small Grants Subgroup asked for additional information from most of the applications.

It was noted that it was agreed at the NP meeting on April 11th 2016 that £12,000 would be allocated to small grants on June 20<sup>th</sup> 2016, from a total spend limit of £20,000 for 2016/17. There were seven applications, and one late application. Six were recommended for full or part-funding, totalling £10,418.

The Chair of the Group clarified the issues around the Action for Balanced Communities Group and further information was provided by the representative from the Action for Balanced Communities Group, Dr Patricia Smith. During discussion the following issues were noted:

- The survey would cover Chandos road but the Group was open to the NP suggesting other areas
- A survey has already taken place in Kingsdown which is now in the BCR NP area.
- There was £200 in the Chandos Rd Neighbourhood Association towards the survey so the Neighbourhood Committee could agree to take out £200 from the grant requested by CNA
- The survey would run in November when students are back and bedded in.
- The survey would need to cover 3 groups – residents, students and HMOs
- Two key issues are already known – planning and waste/litter
- The response to previous surveys had been good
- The questionnaire had been checked with the Bristol City Council Consultation Team.
- The same survey could be used as for Kingsdown or it could be tailored to the BCR NP
- It would be possible to defer the grant decision to the October NP meeting and look at the outcome of the previous survey

## The Neighbourhood Committee

### Resolved:

1. that the following grants be approved (Cllr Negus declared an interest in respect of the Chandos Road grant and abstained from the vote)



2. That the two applications not recommended by the Sub-Group be noted and that the Domestic

Organisation	Purpose	Priorities met (code in 2 below)	Targeted area	Amount requested	Amount agreed
<b>Action for Balanced Communities</b>	To undertake on-line opinion surveys about communities and the student population in 3 selected areas	8	Cotham Redland	£562	Deferred to next meeting
<b>Chandos Rd Neighbourhood Association</b>	Community notice board and the ABC survey (see above)	8	Cotham	£1,076	£876
<b>Golden Hill Community garden</b>	Play sessions for SEND children and their siblings	4a)	Bishopston	£1640	£1640
<b>Playing Out</b>	Support playing out in 15 additional streets	4a) 8	Bishopston Redland	£2,340	£2,340
<b>Redland Parish Church</b>	Contribution to installing hearing loop in new church hall	7	Redland	£2,000	£2,000
<b>Sustainable Bishopston/Living Room</b>	To “green” the Ashley Down area and run a weekend community event to carry out the work	1 2b) 8	Bishopston	£8337	£3,000

Abuse Group applicants be invited to the community event in September to raise their profile

**Action:** Communities and Engagement group to put out information about the event

3. That having discussed the Action for Balanced communities bid with the Partnership the decision on the grant be deferred to the October NP meeting and that the Partnership work with the Group to identify survey areas.

**Action:**

Cllrs Negus and Fodor to meet with Action for Balanced Communities  
Neighbourhood Co-ordinator to send out previous survey report to members

The Neighbourhood Partnership **Resolved:**

1. That a further £5,000 be made available for small grants in 2016/17, bringing the annual budget from £20,000 to £25,000.
2. That the deadlines for grant applications for 2016/17 are September 5<sup>th</sup> and an additional date of November 28<sup>th</sup> 2016.
3. That where it is eligible that all/part of the applications from Chandos Neighbourhood Association, Redland Parish Church and Sustainable Bishopston/Living Room to be funded from CIL allocation up

to the value of £5,073.

#### **a. Report from Working Group - Parks (7a)**

The NP considered a report from the Parks Sub-Group.

It was resolved:

1. That the proposals for funding of Ashley Down Green Playground be noted and that ask Ashley, Easton, Lawrence Hill Neighbourhood Committee be asked to support the funding proposal.
2. That individual Parks Group priorities be noted (to be attached as appendices to the Neighbourhood Partnership Plan).
3. That the £50k requested spending limit from BCR funds for the Parks groups to bid to carry out projects in parks be discussed and brought back to the next NP meeting.

#### **8. Report from Working Group - Sustainable Travel (7b)**

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered a report from the Sustainable Travel Working Group

The Neighbourhood Partnership **Resolved:**

1. To set a spending limit in 2016/17 for the Sustainable Travel WG of £7000

The Neighbourhood Committee **Resolved:**

1. To pre-approve the spending of £2,000 on minor signs and lines, to be spent at the discretion of the working group (as done last year), and to be taken from CIL funds whenever possible.
2. To approve spending the carry-forward of £1,000 on forecourt cycle stands, to be taken from CIL funds.

#### **9. Report from Working Group - Communication and Engagement (7c)**

The Partnership noted the report and emphasised the importance of support for the community festival.

The Neighbourhood Committee **Resolved:**

to allocate £2,500 for the community fair including £2,100 for little grants of up to £350 with applications to be pre-approved as meeting NP Priorities by Cllr Eleanor Combley, Andrea Stott and Alison Bromilow.

#### **10 Report from Working Group - Street Scene (7d)**

The Partnership noted the report from the Street Scene Working Group.

The Neighbourhood Committee **Resolved:**

That an additional £3k be allocated for Kingsdown street scene.

#### **11 Report from Working Group - Governance (7e)**

The report was noted.

## **12 Neighbourhood Plan Update (9)**

The Neighbourhood Partnership **Resolved:**

1. To note the updated NP Plan and to adopt it as the NP's Plan for 2016/17 and beyond.
2. To hold a review meeting in July to agree the work needed to achieve the priorities in the NP Plan.

## **13 Date Of Next Meeting (10)**

**Date of the Next Meeting:** 7.00 pm, Monday, 10 October 2016, Claremont Room, Redland Green School, redland Court Road, Bristol BS6 7EH

Meeting ended at 9.25 pm

**CHAIR** \_\_\_\_\_



## BCR NP Streetscene Group report – October 2016

The NP Committee is asked to agree further funding of £6,890 and the Neighbourhood Partnership to note the following points:

### Funding requirements

Small group working parties have made a huge difference to the amount of work delivered this summer. There have been seven active volunteers. All the 2016/17 grant money is now committed so additional funds are needed to continue our work throughout autumn and winter.

We require the following:

- Garage rental £840
- Lockable COSHH cupboard £150
- Nordic Pioneer 5 days £3,000
- Graffiti kits x10 £400
- Paint AGC etc. £2,500

Total £6,890

### Storage facilities

That at the October NP meeting it was noted that finding a centrally located secure storage was essential. That it needed to be accessible to all volunteers. After several failed attempts a lockup garage has now been located. The NP is asked to fund this facility for a year at a cost of £840 per annum. Liz Kew has offered to supply adjustable storage racks. We will also require a secure storage cupboard to comply with COSHH regulations for cleaning chemicals.

### Group updates

There has been only periodic attendance by any ward Councillors but we have benefited by the regular attendance of Michael Prince and Trudy Feeney and their continued support. The core resident group has increased to include Graham Dean.

Rob Umphray and Liz Kew have met with Bristol Waste Company to discuss how the relationship will continue since the award of the new contract. A named liaison is critical for the group's work. We have been assured that there will be a liaison person in future but it seems that these appointments have yet to be made.

We have met the councillors from Ashley Ward to discuss cross boundary working opportunities where it is appropriate.

### Litter across the partnership area

Litter is an increasing issue across the partnership area. Street litter bins are being erratically emptied which is leading to increased street litter and side waste. We are also experiencing more issues with recycling being dropped by collection crews and then left behind on collection days. Constant vigilance and reporting is required.

Litter volunteers are conducting weekly litter pics are reporting increases in the volumes of litter being collected.

#### Litter bin survey – Gloucester Road showcase bus route

We have conducted a survey of the bus stops along the showcase bus route that runs along Gloucester Road. There are 15 stops that fall into the partnership area. Only 5 bus stops have a bin. A number of the stops have recently been replaced with new stops, in the main it is the new stops with the highest footfall/passenger usage that do not have bins. We have also discovered that there was a bin at Huggins next to Nevil Road that was removed when the new bus stop was installed. As a consequence, we are seeing increased problems with litter at bus stops. When litter is left in any place, more litter follows. We will be evaluating the results of the survey and to costs of replacing/adding bins in problem areas with a view to approaching the Sustainable Transport Team or the Partnership for funding.

#### Fly tipping

Like many areas in the city we experience a great deal of fly tipping. Volumes are relatively constant with known hotspot areas identified. By way of example, a 1 mile stretch of Gloucester Road had 11 instances of fly tipping reported in a single day. The bin marking strategy is starting to deliver results albeit slowly. We have had good support from Michael Prince the enforcement officer who has supported education processes as well as issued fines when appropriate.

#### Tagging

In the May report, we reported a huge increase in tagging. This has been particularly noticeable along Cheltenham road from Arley chapel to the Arches. Most of the residential stone walls were tagged. Winsley Road & Brookfield Road, Redland Court Road and Redland Road all had huge accumulations of graffiti. I am delighted to report that we have undertaken and delivered 9 major projects over the summer period which have involved significant amounts of work for volunteers as well as utilisation of community payback and specialist contractors. This work has been undertaken *in addition* to our core work of removing tags and repairing street art. We have also trained an additional three volunteers who have been supplied with cleaning equipment. I would like to thank and recognise all volunteers and officers that have helped deliver such a massive programme of works in such a short period of time.

Good progress is being made in High Kingsdown, with the plan for graffiti removal and prevention and the active participation of High Kingsdown Residents Association. The specialist contractor will have completed the agreed works shortly. However, street scene issues affecting the Kingsdown Conservation area will not be audited until street scene volunteers have been identified. The core group do not currently have the capacity to expand their work without additional volunteers and resources.

#### Fly Posting

There has been a significant increase in the amount and types of flyposting that is happening across the partnership area. Flyposting has escalated to include events outside the area, record launches, clothing brand promotion and software products as well as the usual advertising for club nights etc. Formats have changed to include large format posters up to A0 size which are being stuck on with very strong glue.

Volunteers are reporting highly increased numbers of posters and events being advertised well (sometimes months) in advance. We feel that action needs to be taken by the council to avoid further escalation of the issue.

### Weeds

That the lack of weed growth control across the whole NP, not just the pesticide free Cotham wards trial is of real concern. Sarah Tyler (Parks) emailed on 5/9/16 that a report has gone to Neighbourhood Management and will in due course be circulated via the NP. The establishment of Buddleia (Purple “bomb site” plant) in the gutter growth is of real concern because once established it will need a strong chemical kill it. Problems may arise with more rain in the autumn not only will leaf fall cause a problem but weeds will stop the flow of water to the drains.

### Wider engagement and education

- Our core twitter ID has had over 150,000 impressions and over 22,000 profile visits since May 2016
- We have produced a number of ‘how to’ videos (e.g. how to present your waste and recycling) which have achieved a high number of retweets and views across various social media platforms
- Numerous neighbourhood officers and councillors have requested our trade bin templates
- A litter pick and litter education session for Archfield Road Beaver Troop was delivered by Alison Bromilow and Daniella Radice with very positive outcomes
- We have connected with other litter volunteers and groups across the city including Fishponds, Stapleton, Frome Valley, Bedminster and Whitchurch. As well as providing support with getting groups up and running we have helped connect individuals to their NPs and Neighbourhood Officers
- We have given a ‘hints and tips’ interview to Bristol Waste Company which will appear on their website shortly
- We have refreshed and updated the student moving in and residents guides and ensured that these have been distributed. This also includes areas that have recently joined the partnership area following boundary changes. Special thanks to Alison Bromilow and Liz Kew

### Forthcoming initiatives

Working with the support of Bristol Council officers and UWE we are about to pilot an initiative to encourage further reuse of student moving out material. The pilot aims help to protect students’ deposits from bad landlords and ensure that any residual waste is disposed of properly by the landlord. This is a very low cost initiative and if successful, we would hope to roll the initiative out across the partnership area.

Finally, we can’t do what we do without the support of the partnership, officers and volunteers. Thank you all.

Rob Umphray and Liz Kew

BCR NP Streetscene Group

## **Bishopston, Cotham and Redland Neighbourhood Partnership (BCR NP)**

*Author:* Roger Gimson, for the BCR NP Sustainable Travel WG

*Title:* **BCR NP Sustainable Travel Working Group Report**

*Date:* 22 September 2016

### **1. Sustainable Travel Working Group meetings**

We have held three meetings since the last report, in June, July and September. The next meeting is due on 4th October 2pm-3.45pm. Regular participants in the group (attending at least two of the last three meetings) have been: Tom Brook, Martin Fodor, Roger Gimson, Andrew McGrath and Gavin Spittlehouse.

Detailed meeting notes are available on request for each of the meetings held so far.

### **2. Selection of future road schemes**

We anticipate asking the NP to select a road scheme in early 2017 for implementation in the 2017/18 municipal year. We have started the process of drawing up a shortlist and exploring what options could be put forward. In particular, we have four locations where improved pedestrian crossings have been requested, and have asked for BCC Highways to carry out traffic monitoring on three of these, for which data does not currently exist. This will cost approximately £150 per monitor, to be taken from the 'minor investigations' budget that was approved at the June NP meeting.

Please let us know if there are specific issues on Traffic Choices, or other issues not yet listed there, which should be included in our shortlist for investigation.

### **3. Special public forum**

We are organising a special NP Public Forum on Tuesday 27th September about Bishopston Congested Residential Streets. The forum will allow residents to report and share the issues they face. Possible approaches to address the issues will be considered, including their advantages and disadvantages. The results of the meeting will help inform us in making recommendations about future road schemes.

Bristol City Council Highways department have taken a decision not to send officers to public meetings unless they are directly related to ongoing road schemes, so will unfortunately not attend this forum.

### **4. Additional comments**

Any further matters arising from the special public forum on 27th September or the Sustainable Travel working group meeting on 4th October will be reported verbally to the meeting, or if necessary in an addendum to this report.



## BCR NP parks update for NP meeting 10 October 2016

(NP members are reminded that Parks priority projects have been listed as appendices to the NP plan.)

From the NP plan priority projects, we wish to bring forward the following for funding from the NP funds at this meeting. We ask that this is taken as part of the NP Parks working group allocated budget ( £50K applied for but not confirmed)

### **ACTION:**

NP is asked to approve expenditure of up to £3500 to cover supply and fixing of signage on shared use paths in Ashley Down Green, Horfield Common and Redland Green.

NP is asked to approve expenditure of up to £3500 to cover supply and fix of two notice boards in Ashley Down Green

NP is asked to approve expenditure of up to £11k for refurbishment of benches in Cotham Gardens and Lovers' Walk.

NP is asked to note projects which are being brought forward which currently are unpriced

- > Bench refurbishment projects in Redland Green
- > Refurbishment of playground in High Kingsdown
- > Refurbishment of playground in Cotham Gardens

### **1. i) Signage for shared routes** in 3 of our NP parks : in accordance with NP priorities as detailed below.

no pricing has been done by BCC parks: perhaps we need to show we have the money allocated before officer time to working up schemes will be assigned, we would therefore like the NP to approve expenditure of up to £3500 (approx. £100/ sign) – this will include making new signs and fixing them in place, or spraying signage onto existing paths.

#### **Ashley Down Green, NP Priority:**

b) ensure that existing safe use of paths and walkways for pedestrians (including dog walkers) and small children on scooters etc. is maintained; promote safe shared use with cyclists, with continued priority for pedestrians and small children on the paths within the ADG area

Signs at 2 entrances to greenspace and at 2 entrances to fenced area.

#### **Redland Green, NP Plan priority:**

rationalise signage to improve safety of shared footpaths and cycle ways in the Green

This has been discussed with the Parks officer on a number of occasions and there is support in principle but there has been no action. We would like to allocate funding to encourage BCC to take this forward.

Signs at entrances to greenspace and at junctions and pinch points- up to 16 locations.

#### **Horfield Common NP Plan priority**

1. Signage making clear that the path next to the play area is 5mph (2mph ideally) & a dead end from Kellaway Avenue entry.

2. Resolve ongoing shared path issue with garage users/install signage asserting that pedestrians have priority/2mph/speed bumps/wooden bollards (similar to those next to track outside Horfield Lodge) down either side of track

Signs at entrances to greenspace and at junctions and pinch points- up to 12 locations.

### **1.ii) Ashley Down Green notice boards.**

All existing parks have notice boards which are used by the community. Provision of Notice Boards for Ashley Down Green was not included in the s106 funded scheme design. The NP is asked to approve funding for this at this meeting

Supply and install 2 no parks notice boards at approx. £1.5K each

#### **Cotham Gardens and Redland Grove greenspace:**

RCAS have done an audit of all the benches in the park and along Lovers' Walk.

Benches are supposed to be maintained under the contract including regular cleaning. This has not happened. Slats have been replaced where they are broken but unfinished bench slats are dirty and when graffitied are impossible to clean. Benches along the northern section of Lovers' Walk have no concrete base slabs so grass and weeds grow up through the slats and around the supports. Ride on grass mowers cannot get close to the structure to stop this and Parks dept have stopped weedkilling or strimming round benches. In the upper park (southern section) the benches were refurbished and concrete bases installed but the condition of the benches is poor.

A complete refurbishment programme is proposed, including replacing a bench on Lovers Walk which was removed earlier this year, and replacing two benches in upper Cotham Gardens which are very popular.

RCAS is happy to support this work but asks NP to match fund the project. Detailed costing will be done in discussion with BCC parks, and it is proposed to look at using Community Pay Back and Park Work for the project if possible, as an alternative to a commercial contractor.

Use of Community Pay Back and Park work will mean that a greater input from BCC/NP/RCAS will be required to monitor and supervise work so we have been advised that this could carry unseen costs for BCC which may not be found.

“As for a cost I would recommend submitting a bid for a total of 18K plus a 20% contingency for repairs/ reinstatement around the benches using an outside contractor”

We are therefore asking for funding of up to £11K for benches in Cotham Gardens and Lovers Walk. RCAS will be asked to match this funding. If RCAS cannot match the funding a reduced scheme would be worked up.

If BCC is able to offer officer time to work with Park Work and /or Community Pay back, if we can break the project up into chunks to allow for their way of working, and if we can provide a local location for storage of materials, we may be able to reduce the costs significantly, perhaps to as little as £ 11K in total.

## **2. Projects currently being worked up**

### **Redland Green bench refurbishment.**

RGCG have carried out a bench audit for their park where similar issues exist. The need for improvements to benches has been noted by RGCG, RCAS and the parks officer for many years but there has been no budget available for this.

There are 21 benches which need repainting, a number which require repair of seat with replacement slats, and 12 which need new or refurbished concrete bases under the seats.

Based on costings for Cotham Gardens, it is possible that a similar amount of money would be needed.

### **3. Future funding required subject to further discussion with BCC**

#### **High Kingsdown playground.**

Plans for High Kingsdown have been drawn up and are approved by BCC parks. Funding of £77K has been approved by CCCE NP before boundary change. The High Kingsdown group has applied for charitable funding but organisations will not fund the playground because it is owned by BCC. The only way they can get the funding is to take a lease on the playground. The terms of the lease can be agreed so as not to be too onerous on the local residents but no progress has been made on this.

The group needs help to progress this; or we can decide to support them using NP funds. The scheme involves replacing the hard-surfacing with grass and shrubs and replacing aging play equipment.

Two schemes have been worked up, The most expensive design is costed at £160K. There is a cheaper one at £103k but this one compromises a lot. The shortfall is therefore between £26K and £83K.

#### **Cotham Gardens playground equipment.**

Cotham Gardens was not included in the recent £5million playground improvement capital funding pot. Equipment at Cotham Gardens was paid for by local residents approx. 20 years ago and is now reaching the end of its safe life. Some parts of the equipment can be refurbished and some replaced.

BCC is carrying out an audit of the play equipment and starting to identify possible replacements. There is no s106 available, so money will have to be found from BCC funds or BCR NP fund.

Alison Bromilow

22 September 2016

## BCR Neighbourhood Partnership Tree Report

September 2016

Three sources of funds are potentially available for work this year:

1. S.106 money to be spent within 1 mile radius from Redland House development : £4653.83p
2. NP funds provisionally agreed: £3000
3. University of Bristol funds: total unknown but not requiring an agreement at this meeting of the neighbourhood partnership

The meeting on 26 June 2016 of the BCR Neighbourhood Partnership resolved:

*'In respect of the Tree Report and proposals for spending of Section 106 monies the Neighbourhood Committee resolved: That priority should be given firstly to the site on Redland Road and then the 4 sites on Edgecumbe Road.'*

Over five years, discussions have been going on with tree officers from BCC.

About two years ago, sites were initially identified by Clive Stevens, Peter Harnett and Josie Sadler.

Money is promised from local residents in Edgecumbe Rd but not yet for Redland Rd. It is understood that local residents have not been consulted about the Redland Rd trees.

The tree officer has recently confirmed the following costs to the NP:

- Stump replacement: £295.00 for tree pit, planting and maintenance/replacement for 3 years
- New trees: £1500.00 for tree pit (including nominal services survey) + £295.00 for tree + £400.00 for maintenance for 15 years of a tree new to Bristol

Residents' contributions (£99 per tree in accordance with the BCR NP scheme) reduce these costs paid by our NP.

BCC charges to developers are higher and quoted on an individual basis. It has been agreed that the S106 money is committed to BCR NP

under the previous boundaries and the trees are to be provided through the NP, not the developer, so the charges above apply.

Since the last NP meeting it has become clear that the sites of the lost trees in Edgecumbe Rd had been tarmacked over and so are treated as new sites by BCC. But they should not be considered as adding to the overall tree estate to be maintained. On this basis we propose that, depending on feasibility and final advised site-specific costs:

2 trees (max) are planted on the following site in Redland Road:

- The wide pavement in front of 1-11 Stones Court, Redland Road

(estimated full cost £4390)

Then up to 2 trees are planted on the following sites in Edgecumbe Road from:

- Outside the side entrance to 89 Redland Road,
- In between No 2 and No 4 Edgecumbe Road
- In between No 8 and No 10 Edgecumbe Road
- Outside No 11 Edgecumbe Road
- Outside No 20 Edgecumbe Road

All the sites are marked.

(estimated cost £3392 i.e. omitting £800 maintenance and £198 contribution)

Total estimated cost £7782 which is £128.17 in excess of the agreed budget. This could be resolved by securing residents' contribution for the Redland Rd trees (potentially £198) or by revisiting the options.

Footnote: BCR NP Tree sub-group is to meet to plan the refreshing of the stump mapping and to set a forward plan for next year's tree-replacement programme.

## Community Fair Report for NP meeting 10 October 2016

*For information. No decisions to be made at this meeting.*

### Attendance

152 people signed in, 502 votes were cast for Little Grants for Big Ideas  
Approx 48 stall holders and their helpers and police attended,

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### Accounts BCR Community Fair 2016

**Allocated budget: £2,500**

**Little Grant for Big Ideas winners: £1650 (4 x £350 + 1 x£250)**

- **Keep Growing:** Glos Rd Central Growing pansies, cyclamen & evergreens in the Glos Rd Central planters
- **Make your home ECO:** BCR Energy group Course subsidies for disadvantaged residents to help them control use of energy
- **Art in the Park:** Redland Green Commission an artist to beautify the rather utilitarian teenage benches (*Match funded by Dr Jazz charitable fund*)
- **3 choirs ceilidh:** Local ceilidh band and 3 local community choirs join forces to put on a fun & social event
- **No Blame No Shame:** Women's Independent Alcohol Support (WIAS) To run 'drop by' sessions in a Bishopston café for a term

**Entertainments and refreshments cost approx: £600**

**Total cost of fair to NP £2250. Hall Hire is covered by BCC as part of the forum budget.**

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### FEEDBACK :

survey has been sent to all the stall holders / entertainers and 21 have been received so far. Many people suggest that the fair is moved to the morning when Glos Road is busier, but the feedback is good except for two negative responders who felt the fair was not useful.

### FEEDBACK RESPONSES:

- Was there a particular successful or unsuccessful outcome from being at the Fair which you would like to tell us about?
- Great community vibe and great to meet local people and help them with their bikes and to share knowledge
- It was very good for FOMG to meet other people at the Fair, sympathetic to our aims.
- We met so many people who were interested and enthusiastic about our project and gained a lot of ideas on how we could continue our project to make it grow. We met a lot of people who could help us out!
- Very grateful to receive money from the Little Grant for Big Ideas

- Met people who mostly knew what we did . Nice to chat to people
- Yes, we were very pleased to meet new people and old acquaintances interested in Redland Green and to be successful in our Little Grant application!
- Generated more awareness and met nice people
- Managed to spread the word about our planters and other projects, lots of really positive feedback back - and lots of votes so that we were awarded a little fund. Great to meet so many people active in our community.
- Yes!!!--we won the funding we need to publicise our drop-by in Bishopston
- Thought it was good, perhaps the events outside was a bit separate from inside. like when the speeches was done - people outside weren't aware of it.
- Meeting at least 2 residents who definitely want to start playing out and many others who were interested in finding out more. Also talking to older people about their playing out experiences and making links with Litterati.
- Nothing special; general feedback.
- Useful contacts with other groups
- Meeting local people and explaining our project. Forging a link with a nearby cycle shop.
- Too few general public there.
- Good for information sharing about how other groups do things.
- I thought it was successful.
- Raised the profile of the Small Grants Group and allowed Window Wanderland, a previous SG winner to promote what they have done.

A further full report will be provided for the NP to consider when a decision about whether to continue with the Fair in 2017 should be made.

Alison Bromilow

22 September 2016



## MY NEIGHBOURHOOD



### Bishopston, Cotham and Redland NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2016

**Report of:** Andrew McGrath – Communities & Neighbourhoods

**Title:** Neighbourhood Co-ordinator

**Contact Telephone Number:** 0117 9036436

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS.** The NP is asked:

1. To note the current budget of the NP
2. To note the information regarding the recent citywide NP event
3. To note the latest meeting schedule of dates for Forums and NP meetings in 2016/17 and to advise the Coordinator of any changes that need to be made
4. To note the brief update regarding the recent equalities review
5. To note the latest devolved services updates



## 1. Budget update

NP Budget details devolved funds 2016/17	brought fwd from 2015/16	new budget / allocation 2016/17	Total for 2016/17	Approved/ Spent – NP 20.06.16	balance remaining in 2016/17	Comments/notes
<u>Devolved budget</u>	62,727*	61,243	123,970	£4,780 <sup>1</sup>		* Estimated
				£2,500 <sup>2</sup>		** Committed – RCAS Play Equip
				£30,000 <sup>3</sup>		***Small grant repayment (WWL)
Other	7,842**	1,110***	8,952	£7,842		<sup>1</sup> <u>Small grants:</u> Golden Hill CG = £1,540 Playing out - £2,340 SB/Living Room = £800
				£3,800 <sup>4</sup>		<sup>2</sup> Community Fair
sub total	70,569	62,353	132,922	48,922	84,000	<sup>3</sup> Highways scheme for 2016/17
Section 106	13,218.47	0	13,218.47			<sup>4</sup> Street scene projects
Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)	13,690.36	13,043.31	26,733.67	£5,076 <sup>5</sup>		<sup>5</sup> <u>Small grants (to be paid from CIL):</u> Chandos CA = £876 Redland Parish Church = £2,000 SB/Living Room = £2,200
				£2,000 <sup>6</sup>		<sup>6</sup> Minor signs and lines (some expenditure may not be able to come from CIL)
				£1,000 <sup>7</sup>		<sup>7</sup> Forecourt cycle stands fund
				£300 <sup>8</sup>		<sup>8</sup> Bin outside Maplins
Sub total	26,908.83	13,043.31	39,952.14	8,376	31,576.14	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£97,477.83</b>	<b>£75,396.31</b>	<b>£172,874.14</b>	<b>£57,298</b>	<b>£115,576.14</b>	

## 1.1 Working Group allocations

The amounts set out below are the amounts requested for 2016/17. If working groups wish to alter the amount of their allocation, they must make this request to the NP. All working group members are reminded that if they wish to draw down some or all of their allocations they need to **make a formal request to the NP**. No funds can be released without the agreement of the NP (Committee).

<b>Working Group</b>	<b>Spend limit for 2016/17</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Street Scene	£10,083.50	£5,000 2016/17 + £2,083.50 c/f approved at the April NP for 2016/17 + £3,000 for Kingsdown – (June NP)
Sustainable Travel	£7,000	
Trees	£3,000	Awaiting details from Tree WG
Young People	£1,000	c/f from 2015/16. Overseen by C&E working group
Communication & Engagement	£3,250	£2,500 committed to community fair costs at Juhne NP (inc £2,100 for small grants process)
Parks	£?	Please see Parks WG report (up to £50k)
Small Grants	£25,000	Likely to be 3 grants rounds this year
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>£46,333.50</b>	Draft total until all WGs limits have been agreed

## 2. Citywide event




(From Hayley Ash – Area Manager North Bristol) On 20<sup>th</sup> July, 47 NP members attended the Central Library for the 4<sup>th</sup> Citywide NP event. The evening started with an introduction by Marg Hickman (then Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods). Roger Gimson from Bishopston, Cotham and Redland followed with an introduction to the Bristol Walking Alliance. Deana Parry from Southmead then spoke about the work they had been doing in Southmead to make parks more accessible and Lindsay Hay informed the group about the guide to investing in parks that her team is putting together.

NPs themselves were the next topic of conversation. This took the biggest part of the evening, looking back at the last review, what had been achieved; and then in smaller groups 4 conversations took place exploring Communications, Engagement, the Cuts, and NP structures.

Full notes and slides will soon be put on the BCC website. The Coordinator has forwarded the notes to the NP membership.

### 3. Future meeting dates

Please note the dates for upcoming meetings. The NP is asked to **agree or amend** the dates

	<b>Meeting Round 2 2016/17</b>	<b>Meeting Round 3 2016/17</b>	<b>Meeting Round 4 2016/17</b>
<b>Neighbourhood Partnership</b>	7.00pm Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> October Redland green School	7.00pm Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January 2017 Glos CCC	7.00pm Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> April 2017 Venue tbc
<b>Neighbourhood Partnership Review meeting</b>	tbc	tbc	tbc
			
<b>Combined 3-ward Forums</b>	<b>Superforum? Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> Sept Venue tbc</b>	7.00pm Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> December Colston's Primary School	7.00pm Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> January Venue tbc

### 4. Neighbourhood Partnerships Equalities Review 2016.

Members will recall that you, along with all attendees, were asked to complete a short equalities questionnaire at every meeting attended between April and the end of June. The results have now been collated and sent to all NP members. The NP is asked to **discuss any issues** arising from the results of the questionnaire in this NP and to **agree any actions** that the NP considers it wishes to take as a result of the findings for this NP.

Some highlights for BCR from the survey include:

- BCR NP had one of the highest number of survey returns in the city
- A higher percentage of attendees described themselves as disabled compared to 2011 census figures for the area
- White non-British respondents were higher than the census figures for this group (10% compared to 7.4% in the census)
- 3.4% of respondents referred to themselves as BME (Black Minority Ethnic), compared to 10.2% in the 2011 Census. Might this be an area the NP (particularly the Comms Working Group) wishes to consider working to improve?

## 5. Devolved Services update

**S106:** (please note there have been small increases in the value of the S106 contributions due to annual interest being added)

<https://www.bristol.gov.uk/documents/20182/239028/Bishopston%2C+Cotham+and+Redland+S106>

**CIL:** Please note that payments from 11/02/2016 onwards have been added since the last NP meeting

### **Bishopston, Cotham & Redland Neighbourhood Partnership CIL monies held - 31 July 2016**

Monies to be spent on measures to support the development of the Neighbourhood Partnership's area, by funding:

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

<b>Date Received</b>	<b>Application</b>	<b>Site Address</b>	<b>Amount</b>
04/11/14	13/03447	9 Ashley Down Road, Bishopston	£552.86
20/11/14	13/04405	158 Coldharbour Road, Redland	£913.50
03/02/15	14/00568	45 to 47 Radnor Road, Bishopston	£1,022.06
03/03/15	14/04449	78 Gloucester Road, Bishopston	£199.97
09/06/15	14/05127	16 Beloe Road, Horfield	£3,377.25
16/06/15	14/02141	70 Muller Road, Horfield	£777.68
25/06/15	13/02241	Land to rear of 91 Whiteladies Road, Cotham	£5,220.00
27/08/15	14/06093	Blackboy Service Station, Whiteladies Road, Clifton	£282.35
02/09/15	13/03037	1 Tyne Road, Bishopston	£756.00
11/02/16	15/01700	1 to 9 Ashley Down Road, Bishopston	£1,888.81
04/05/16	14/06189	2 Chandos Road, Redland	£516.26
12/05/16	14/05616	28 Radnor Road, Bishopston	£833.44
02/06/16	14/03732	Land to rear of 79 Springfield Road, Cotham	£696.52
09/06/16	15/01092	487A Gloucester Road, Horfield	£3,952.88
14/07/16	14/05230	29 Seymour Road, Bishopston	£3,929.06
15/07/16	14/05476	3 Tyne Road, Bishopston	£1,226.34
		<b>Total</b>	<b>£26,144.97</b>