



AGENDA ITEM NO. 15

STOCKWOOD, HENGROVE & WHITCHURCH PARK NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP 14th DECEMBER 2016

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

- 1. To note and respond to the Clean Streets Campaign
- 2. To note the Parks and Play Update
- 3. To note NP changes and developments
- 4. Dates 2016/2017
- 5. Draft Dates 2017/2018
- **6. Proposed Community Asset Transfer**

1. Clean Streets Campaign – Launched 21st November 2016

Kurt James, Clean Streets Campaign Project Manager writes: The Mayor has made a pledge that Bristol will be measurably cleaner by 2020.

Measurably cleaner means less litter, fly tipping, fly posting, graffiti, dog fouling, gum and weeds in the city; as well as much more reuse, repairing and recycling so that less waste is produced and disposed of in landfill.

Making Bristol and its streets cleaner is something that everyone who lives, works, learns, or plays here contributes to, supported by those that have the job of keeping the city clean and tidy and working. To make the city cleaner we will:

 Provide a quality cleansing service with clear standards. We also want to tell you what we are doing and how well we are doing it, whether that be cleansing or recycling. We want residents to tell us where what we do is not working or could be better so that we can get better. We also want you to tell us when you see problems like fly tipping or graffiti so that we can do something about it;

- Work with residents, community and faith groups, Universities, schools, and businesses to help them to do their bit whether large or small to improve the look and feel of the city. This could be done through picking up one piece of litter, community clean ups, planting, painting or just sweeping outside their front door or shopfront;
- Spread the word about keeping the city clean and tidy far and wide, and keep doing it. If we want Bristol to be a great city then let us be clear about what we want it to look like and help it to become that. We will embed the campaign principles in the local authority and how it works moving forward and ask our partners to do the same. We will also highlight areas where behaviours like dumping waste on the streets takes place;
- We make sure that our policies and the law support our efforts to keep the city clean and tidy, are visible to the city, and are acted upon;
- We use our enforcement resources where it is needed to back up our aim which is to educate, engage and then enforce to make the city cleaner;

The campaign was launched on 21st November 2016 and over the next year and beyond we will spread the campaign messaging through our networks and those of our partners, and we would like you to help with this.

We will do more enforcement where we need to and share the impact; involve schools and other learning institutions with the campaign and double the number of Eco-Schools; celebrate the good work that volunteers do quietly to improve their areas and support groups who want to get involved; strengthen our policy base and guidance materials to make it easier for us to manage problems and safer for groups who want to help out; and we will fix difficult problems where we can.

What the Mayor would like from Neighbourhood Partnerships

As partnerships know their areas better than anyone else and have worked hard over the years to improve your areas we wondered if you could:

- Tell us thorough your Coordinator how you want your area to look?
- Tell us what we need to do more of to make your areas cleaner and tidier and where this needs to be done?
- Tell us about the great work that you have done, do or plan to do large or small which will contribute to improving the look and feel of the city so that we can share this far and wide and make it a part of this campaign as we move forward?

2. To note Parks and Play Update

The Neighbourhood Partnership has a number of Parks and Play improvements that it wishes to see improved in the locality.

The locations and improvements are as follows:

Location	What do we want to see happen?
Cottle Road Play Area	Repair/Renew/Repalce play area
John Hall Close - Play Area within the vicinity	
(to meet parks standards)	New Play area
Petherton Gardens Play Area – update/replace	
the equipment	Renew play area
Whitchurch Green	Improve accessability
St Augstines Park	Pathway repairs/improvements

3. To note NP changes and developments

There is a number of short term staffing changes to the NPs in the South of the city. The South Area Manager has taken on the role of interim Service Director for the next three to six months, and as such the NPCs in the south are picking up the internal and external work to ensure the support to the locality. The NPCs will be picking up the individual line management of the Neighbourhood Officers in their patches with the external/city wide work taken on by Emily Smith (Dundry View) and Andrew McLean (Greater Bedminster and Filwood, Knowle and Windmill Hill), and internally Ariaf Hussain will act as managerial support for the NPCs and a single point of contact for the team.

- 4. Dates 2016/2017 Appendix 15a
- **6. Draft Dates 2017/2018 –** Appendix 15b

6. Proposed Community Asset Transfer

New Lease of The Business Park, Rear of 13-19 Lampton Avenue, BS13 0PU to Hartcliffe & Withywood Ventures.

BACKGROUND:

- a. Lampton Avenue Business Park consists of 7 'enterprise' units, set in a yard area at the rear of the houses in Lampton Avenue, reached via a gated access road.
- b. The units were constructed in 1989 and are managed by HWV under a standard, commercial Lease at market rent.

- 1. One unit provides accommodation to a small business tenant and the remaining 6 units are currently let by HWV to Bedminster Down School.
- 2. HWV claim that, over the past few years, demand for small business units has reduced significantly and that they have therefore let the 6 vacant units to the School for 'The Lamp', the School's off-site provision for its students who are at risk of being excluded from education.
- 3. This educational use is contrary to the Lease between HWV and the council.
- 4. HWV will also need to regularise this new use in term of relevant Planning policies.
- 5. HWV initially asked the council to extend the lease by 25 years and reduce the annual rent to a peppercorn, to bring the property in line with other council-owned assets that are let to community-based organisations for small business purposes.
- 6. This request was turned down and HWV are now requesting a 10 year Lease.

PROPOSAL:

The council proposes to grant a new 10 year Lease to HWV, subject to any Planning irregularities being resolved.

The Lease will be subject to a Service Agreement, which will set out a range of services that HWV will deliver each year from the property.

The rent will be reduced to a peppercorn for as long as the Service Agreement is complied with; failure to comply with this would result in the full market rent becoming payable again.

HWV will be responsible for the upkeep of the property and for all outgoings associated with managing and operating it, including all repairs, maintenance and insurance; no financial support will be available from the council towards these costs.

PROCESS:

- The Stockwood, Hengrove and Whitchurch Neighbourhood Partnership is asked to make any comments on the proposals, either in support or against, and to briefly set out the grounds for its views.
- Officers in the Asset Strategy Team will then prepare a report for the Service Director Property, who will make a final decision on the proposed CAT as soon as possible.

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