



Central, Clifton and Harbourside Neighbourhood Partnership
7.00 pm, 4 April 2017

Present:

* De-notes apologies/absent

Ward Councillors

Councillor Carla Denyer, Clifton Down;

Councillor Kye Dudd, Central;

Councillor Paula O'Rourke, Clifton;

* Councillor Paul Smith, Central;

Councillor Clive Stevens, Clifton Down;

Councillor Jerome Thomas, Clifton;

Councillor Mark Wright, Hotwells and Harbourside;

Partners

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

Pauline Allen

* Mary Bannerman

Richard Barnes

Fraser Bridgeford

* Toni Brown

Rosemary Chamberlin

* Kathy Crossthwaite

Jean Denham, Redcliffe Backs Management Company

* Sylvia Doubell

* Jillian Ewings

* Linda Ewles

* Paul Garner

* Trevor George

* Dennis Gornall

* Ilse Hambrook

* Jemma Harford

* Jo Hawkins

* Jonathan Hurford

* Jonathan Hyams

* David Jepson

* Jay Jethwa

Julian Jones, 10 Unity Street Residents Association

* Rosie Joseland

* Laura Lafave

* Karen Larwood

Evelyn Lewis

- * Pat Ludwell
- * Alistair McHardy
- * Tony Miles
- * John Morison
- * Alan Morris
- Wendy Pollard
- * David Pomeroy
- Keith Rodgeron
- * Graham Rogers
- * Sam Saunders
- * Maggie Shapland
- * Karen Sillence
- Sally Silverman
- * Pat Smith
- * Kathy Stagg
- * Maira Stylianou
- * Erica Thomas
- * Kate Thornton
- Zanna Wheeler
- * Robin Williams
- * Jerry Woods

Other Interested parties:

Also in Attendance:-

Matthew Jones

1. Welcome, Introductions and Safety Information (agenda item no. 1)

Chair – Fraser Bridgeford welcomed those present and led introduction

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

Apologies noted

- Councillor Paul Smith
- Dennis Gornall
- Carol Lilwell

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

None

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting (agenda item no. 4)

Cllr Denyer ask for it to be noted that the version of the minutes included in the published agenda and papers was the incorrect version. The version on line that could be viewed as a standalone minutes was

correct. This was a concern because it indicated that Off the Record had been award funds from the partnership when that was not the case.

Action: Democratic Services to retract the minutes in the published papers and replace with the corrected version.

The minutes would not be accepted as true reflection of the previous meeting.

5. Public Forum (agenda item no. 5)

Christine Townsend spoke to her questions regarding St George's Primary and the two Academies in the ward St Mary Redcliffe & Temple School and Bristol Cathedral Choir School.

Action: Agreed that Christine Townsend would in liaison with Sally Silverman and Cllr Kye would contact local schools to ascertain the correct percentage of local children on roll.

The following was noted from the discussion that followed:

- That although the figures given for numbers of pupils on roll from the local area appeared low, it was noted that there were very few families living in the harbourside area with children.
- There was a lack of nursery places in the area. All to note that the ward was linked to St Pauls Early Years/children centre and they were willing to do outreach work in the area.

6. Neighbourhood Partnership Co-ordinator's Report (agenda item no. 6)

The Neighbourhood Partnership were asked to note the following:

- Neighbourhood Forum Updates
- Neighbourhood Officer and Neighbourhood Plan Updates
- Note Neighbourhood Partnership future communications
- Note the parks project updates as set out in the report appended to the papers.
- Note the Environment, Traffic and Transport sub group notes appended to the papers.
- Note the Bearpit Toilet Briefing Paper

The Transformers Funding Applications

The Chair reported on the outcome of the sub-group decision making in respect of all the applications.

- a) Young Bristol's application for the Transformers Outdoor Activity Week project and that proposed by the Redcliffe Residents Action Group was viewed as activities that when combined, cover a wide area of the NP's wards. In addition these applications would support the principles of the inclusivity as the participants from the Redcliffe area would come from a diverse background.
- b) Basement Studio application for Castle Park Bandstand Takeover although the initial take up would impact 140 the outcome of the event would draw a wider audience to view the outcome of the project.
- c) The Nitty Gritty request for funding was not ward. The comment was made that Nitty Gritty was a brand with a number of offerings.
- d) Allaboard Watersports activity recommendation was questioned as to what the possible uptake would be from schools in the Hotwells area. The sum if awarded £600 would go towards supporting the group develop activities for students of Hotwells primary.

- e) The Chair shared that the grants panel group were seeking new members to join them.

The Chair requested that the Neighbourhood Committee consider the recommendations and agree to award sums as recommended by the sub group.

Neighbourhood Committee unanimously Resolved to award:

- i) Basement Studio for Castle Park Bandstand Takeover £1300
- ii) The Architecture Centre for Shape My City £500
- iii) HCCA/Bristol Bar Crew for Raising the Bar for Young People £600
- iv) Redcliffe Residents Action Group for Summer sport & activities £1000
- v) Young Bristol for Transformers Outdoor Activity Week £1000
- vi) All-Aboard Watersports for Watersport Activity Programme £600
- vii) Woodlands Group for Speak Out Conference £Nil
- viii) Young Bristol for Hotwells Cumberland Piazza £Nil
- ix) Creative Youth Network for Station Guardian £Nil
- x) Nitty Gritty Guide for University Hospitals £Nil

7. Environment Sub-Group Decisions and Updates (agenda item no. 7)

The Chair then requested all to consider the sub-group recommendation on CIL fund distribution.

1. Jacobs Wells Baths - £6,850

- a. This was a late application so not considered by the sub-group during their formal meeting. The sum was required to improve the look of the space to make it more attractive for community use.
- b. A representative from the Artspace project, Dina Ntziora, addressed the NP and answered questions posed by partnership members.
- c. The centre was closed for a period of time to allow for the refurbishments of the electrics and removal of asbestos. There still remains areas to the rear of the building and around the boiler room that had been made inaccessible to users until renovation works can be undertaken to make that area a safe space to use.
- d. The funds already awarded to support the project totals £10,000; £2k from Quartet for staffing and training; £3k from Bristol City Council for the Asbestos and Electric refurbishment; £5k from Architectural Heritage Fund for consultation work.
- e. The building suffers from issues arising from water ingress but the aspiration is to source bidders/funds to support further development of the space following the award of the CAT.

The Neighbourhood Committee unanimously Resolved

- i) The award of £6,850 to Artspace based at Jacob Wells Baths**

The Partnership then considered:

2. St Johns Road Lighting Project - £56,896.93

- a. Cllr Denyer provided the up to date costings on the replacement of lamp post along the St Johns Road, Whatley Road and All Saints Road.
- b. The sub-group were initially advised that the sum required would be around £20,000 but this was an unsubstantiated figure and a best guess. Full costings arrived within hours of the meeting and was shared in the presentation.
- c. The survey undertaken amongst residents of St Johns Road indicated that there were real concerns about the poor lighting from street lamps and concerns about safety. The tree roots growth had led to uneven pavements and in turned caused pavements to become trip hazards, all made worse by the lack of good light from the existing street lamps. The area had a number of cast iron lamps that would need to be refurbished in order to give better light it would be a matter of extending the length of each lamp and fitting LED bulbs.
- d. The request to CIL had been made because of the City Council's current financial constraints the service had adopted a policy of limiting provision to one of repair and not of refurbishment to street lamps.
- e. Many of the lamps along the road in question were a mix of 2/3 cast iron and 1/3 steel.
- f. The costings reflected the need to reposition lamps along the pavement to avoid having to remove trees that would improve the spread of the light from the street lamps.
- g. Members considered the costings for improvement to 4 areas along the roads in question. Concerns were raised about the embellishments aspect of the quotes in that some of the work was not a need but a want. In addition although the CIL fund was large there were a number of pending projects that would worthy beneficiaries of funds.
- h. Neighbourhood Committee agreed to vote on the four options with costings provided on the slide, detailed below:

Option 1	
St Johns Road LC7 to 17 To replace columns with refurbished Cast Iron Columns	
Refurbish Cast Columns	£13,662.00
New Traditional Lanterns	£9,522.00
Installation Costs & Power supply's	£10,232.27
Total	£33,446.27
Option 2	
All Saints Road 1 x new column	
Refurbished Cast Column	£1,138.50
New Traditional Lanterns	£793.50
Installation costs & Power supply's	£1,002.93
Total	£2,934.93
Option 3	

Whatley Road x 5 Columns To replace columns with refurbished Cast Iron Columns	
Refurbish Cast Columns	£5,692.50
New Traditional Lanterns	£3,967.50
Installation Costs & Power supply's	£4250.95
Total	£13,910.95
Option 4	
St Johns Road LC1 to 6 To install traditional embellishment Kits with Lanterns	
Traditional Lanterns	£4,761.00
Embellishment Kits	£1,311.00
Installation Costs	£532.32
Total	£6,604.32

The Neighbourhood Committee Resolved:

- i) Option 1 – work to main St Johns Road at a cost of £33,446.27 **Unanimously Agreed**
- ii) Option 2 – replacement of missing lamp post on All Saints Road carried **by a 5/1 majority Agreed**
- iii) Option 3 – Whatley Road 5 Columns £13,910.95 as 3/3 split with the Councillor chairing abstaining – **Not Agreed £Nil award**
- iv) Option 4 – lower St Johns Road LC1 to - 2/4 against – **Not Agreed £Nil award**

The Neighbourhood Partnership then considered:

3. Creative Youth Network - £100,000

- a. The Chair shared that there were limitation to the way NP could award funds, they were directed to only provide funds for actual projects and not for speculative projects. In addition any unused funds for a project must be returned. The sub-group had deferred decision on this applicant to the wider partnership to allow for a full discussion and then decision on whether any sums should be awarded.
- b. Sandie Hore-Ruthven representative from CYN addressed the partnership. The organisation had to date raised significant funds to refurbishment and turn the former magistrate court building into a viable space. The aspiration was to expand to allow other charities supporting young people to co-exist in the space. Rent was charged for the use of the space generating income revenue for the charity. The award would support the next stage of the bid to Heritage Lottery Grant Fund.
- c. The following was noted from the discussion that followed:
 - i. There was general concern about the risk arising from awarding £100,000 and how the charity would pay that sum back if the bid was unsuccessful. Confirmation was given that the charity held reserves that would be available to support a repayment plan. The charity was prepared to enter into any necessary legal agreement to secure the funds.

- ii. The Chair shared that the sub-group had proposed that the partnership considered £100,000 allocation and not the full £150,000 requested. The charity had been directed to Ashley Easton and Lawrence Hill NP to request the £50,000.
- iii. It was understood that Ashley Easton and Lawrence Hill NP were not in a position to consider any awards from CIL fund during the transition period. Therefore unlikely to support at this time. There were concerns raised by Derek Pickup that this appeared to be a final decision when a full representation had not been made to that NP. Clarity was sought. **Action: Matthew Jones to seek clarity.**
- iv. The partnership heard from two young persons who used the facility at the former magistrate. One had used the space to assist with University projects and another to find support to overcome lack of confidence and improve communication skills.
- v. It was proposed that that the partnership consider awarding £100,000 but to include a number of conditions to ensure that the organisation provided some form of security and a promise to return the funds if the bid was unsuccessful. In addition to enter into a legal agreement the cost of which to be borne by the Charity.

Neighbourhood Committee Resolved:

- i- To award the sum of £100, 000 on condition that a legal agreement is drawn up and signed by all parties with the following terms included;
 - a. That in the event that the bid to Heritage Lottery fails all monies awarded be returned to this Neighbourhood Partnership
 - b. That CYN provide appropriate security to the partnership to secure the loan
 - c. That the cost of drawing up the legal agreement be met by CYN

8. Traffic and Transport Sub-Group Updates (agenda item no. 8)

The NP was advised that the sub-group intended to continue to meet despite future changes around NP Structures.

9. Future of NP updates and discussion (agenda item no. 9)

The Chair with the Neighbourhood Co-ordinator provided a brief overview of the feedback received on the future of Neighbourhood Partnerships.

- Those who were consulted wanted the continuation of the NP format
- Keeping Neighbourhood Forums was viewed as a priority
- The Chair welcomed all to feed back directly to him any comments on the new structure.

10 Any other business (agenda item no. 10)

None

11 Date of Next Meeting (agenda item no. 11)

Date of the Next Meeting: to be confirmed

Meeting ended at 9.00 pm

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