



Greater Fishponds Area Neighbourhood Partnership

**Thursday 24 March 2016 at 7.00pm
At the Vassall Centre, Oldbury Court, Fishponds, Bristol, BS16 2QQ**

P = Present

A = Apologies

MEMBERSHIP	2.7.15	8.10.15	10.12.15	24.3.16
Ward Councillors (Neighbourhood Committee)				
Councillor Mhairi Threlfall – Eastville	A	P	P	
Councillor Mahmudur Khan - Eastville	P	A	P	
Councillor Lesley Alexander – Frome Vale	P	P	P	
Councillor Bill Payne – Frome Vale	P	P	A	
Councillor Craig Cheney – Hillfields	P	P	P	
Councillor Noreen Daniels – Hillfields	A	A	A	
Resident Partner Representatives				
Mary Wellbourne (The Vassall Centre)	P	P	P	A
Leigh Cooper (Fishponds Business Forum)	P	P	P	P
Hazel Durn (East Park Residents Association)	A	A	A	P
Yvonne Sadler (Environment Sub-Group)	P	P	P	P
Mo Lewis (Colston Neighbourhood Watch Group)	P	A	P	A
Tony Locke – Chair (Eastville Neighbourhood Forum)	P	A	P	A
Mark Logan	P	P	A	P
Joseph Hassell (Fishponds Planning Subgroup)			P	A
David Mock (Fishponds Traffic and Transport Sub-Group)	P	P	P	P
Mike Tuohy (Hillfields Community First Panel)	A	A	A	A
Scott Jacobs-Lange (Hillfields NF)	P	A	P	A
George Sloan (Hillfields Youth Centre)			P	
Kate Brook	P	A	P	P
Ben Cattle – Young Persons Rep		A	P	P

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George Sloan - Young Persons Rep		A	P	A
Joseph Glasgow (Young People)	P	A	A	A
Anna Keen			P	P
Partner Organisations Representative				
Chris Bailes – Avon Fire and Rescue	A	A	A	A
Sgt. Anthony Westhall (Avon and Somerset Police)		P	A	A
Deborah Yeates (Avon and Somerset Police)		A	P	P
Tina Newman, A&S Police Vice Team	P	A	A	A
John Moore – Bristol NHS Representative	A	A	A	A
Officers in attendance				
Abdulrazak Dahir, NP Co-ordinator, BCC	P	P	P	P
Allison Taylor, Democratic Services,	P	P	P	P
Georgie Bryant, Neighbourhoods, BCC	A	A	A	A
Residents in attendance				
Ann Godfrey	A	A	A	A
Pauline Potter	A	A	A	A
Rosemarie Rendu-Jeffries	A	A	A	A
Del Everett Positive Moves	A	A	A	A
Sue Lovell	A	A	P	P
Winn Evans	A	A	A	A
Rick Lovering	A	A	P	P
Chris Harris	A	A	A	A
Martyn Chinn	A	A	A	A
Gemma Adams	P	A	A	A
Ken Blanchard, Fishponds Business Forum		P	A	A
Joseph Glasgow			P	A
James Hinchcliff				P
Abdulfatah Mohammed				P
Steve Smith				P

1. Chairing Arrangements.

It was reported that Tony Locke was unable to attend due to ill health and David Mock would chair in his absence.

2. Welcome and Introductions.

These were made.

3. Apologies for Absence.

Apologies were received from Tony Locke, Mo Lewis and Councillor Threlfall.

4. Minutes & Action Tracker.

The minutes of 10 December 2015 were **agreed** as a correct record.

Matters Arising.

Pg 7 – Citywide Event. The NP Co-ordinator reported that he had not heard from the Planning Sub-Group with respect to a volunteer to attend a training session on radio and publicity.

Pg. 8 – 1st bullet point – additional toilet at Eastville. The NP Co-ordinator reported that the final draft of the NP Plan review would be available at the AGM in July 2016.

Pg. 9 – the NP Co-ordinator had written to Young Bristol and reported that the licence had not been granted to them so the money had been returned to the Wellbeing Fund.

It was noted that the Action Tracker was not contained in the papers and would therefore be circulated outside of the meeting.

Action: NP Co-ordinator to circulate Action Tracker by e-mail.

5. Parks By Law.

The NP Co-ordinator introduced the report as the report author was unable to attend. He reported that paragraph 5, line 3 of the report should read 'Eastville' in front of 'lake. The following comments were made:-

- Was there a process which allowed the public to comment on the byelaws, for example, a year after implementation? The NP Co-ordinator replied it was possible for the Council to make changes but the public would need to gather evidence of a byelaw not working well in order to bring about change;
- The Partnership noted that the Environment Subgroup supported designated areas for fishing, however, the Subgroup wished the NP to decide whether fishermen at Eastville Lake should be limited to pontoons only. The NP noted that this was officer advice and they were content to support this;
- The NP noted that the Environment Subgroup supported the proposal to designate Hengrove Park as the only area for flying model aircraft. The NP noted that there were no flying clubs within the GF area. If there were and they applied to use an area, they would be given permission. The NP understood that use of aircraft and drones in parks on an ad-hoc basis would be overlooked but daily

use would be deemed as a nuisance. It was a matter of proportionality. Notices in parks would indicate which byelaws applied;

- The Environment Subgroup agreed with the proposal regarding horse riding but wanted 3 additional sites designated for this. The NP agreed with this;
- The Environment Subgroup agreed with the proposal regarding designated areas for barbecues but wished to add sports pitches, children's play areas, floral meadows and flower beds to the non-designated areas. The NP agreed with this;
- The NP noted that these recommendations would be submitted to the Secretary of State and then to Full Council for decision. The byelaws would be adopted citywide and designated accordingly;
- The NP requested information about each park and what people can and cannot do on websites and community notices. The NP also suggested making available clear process in how the Bye Laws will be implemented and enforced.

It was **agreed** that :-

1 – The Neighbourhood Partnership supported the introduction of the proposed byelaws.

2. – The Neighbourhood Partnership supported the recommendations of the Environment Subgroup regarding the designation of land in relation to the four byelaws where this was possible.

6. NP Activities – Business Report.

Part 1: Welcome new Board Members.

The NP formally welcomed Ben Cattle and George Sloan as young people representatives and noted the attendance of Abdilfatah Mohammed, another potential young people representative. The NP Co-ordinator reported that it was possible to increase the number of young people representatives if required.

Part 2: Citywide NP Event.

The NP Co-ordinator reported that the resident working group that planned the event had put in many hours to organise it and it was therefore recommended that for future events all NP's share the workload by nominating two representatives. It was noted that the next event was likely to be in October.

Discussion took place regarding other ways of sharing best practice. The NP Co-ordinator agreed to circulate information on the City Design Group which was an independent forum for exchanging information.

It was suggested and **agreed** that nominees be sought at the next Co-ordinating Subgroup.

Action: NP Co-ordinator to circulate information on City Design Group.

Part 3: 2016/17 Neighbourhood Budget.

The NP noted the 2016/17 devolved Neighbourhood Budget and the NP Committee was asked to approve the proposal to manage the budget, which was based on previous year's expenditure pattern as set out in the table below. It was noted that £25, 743 of the 2015/16 budget remained unallocated and the NP Co-ordinator asked the NP to consider any projects that could be funded from this budget.

2016/2017 Neighbourhood Budget Amount		£61, 243
Type of fund	Amount ringfenced £	Running amount £
Clean and Green Budget	1, 500	59, 743
Environment Fund	7, 500	52, 243
Minor signing and Aligning Budget	1, 500	50, 743
Wellbeing Grant	25,000	25, 743

Remaining Neighbourhood Budget to allocate 2015/16 £25, 743

The NP agreed to support the proposals as set out above.

On being put to the vote, the proposals as set out above, were carried unanimously.

RESOLVED - The Neighbourhood Committee noted the amount of Neighbourhood Budget devolved and agreed to ringfence the Wellbeing Grant and Environment Budget and to devolve Clean and Green Minor Signing and Aligning to Officers.

Part 4: Wellbeing Grant.

The NP noted that the four Wellbeing applications had been assessed by the panel and the and their recommendations were set out in the table below. A further application had not met the criteria and one application had been referred to the Environment Subgroup at their request.

The NP agreed to support the recommendations of the panel.

On being put to the vote, **The Care Forum** grant application was carried unanimously.

On being put to the vote, **The Barton Fields Trust** grant application was carried unanimously. (It was noted that Councillor Cheney was a trustee of the Trust but this did not preclude him from taking part in the decision)

With respect to the **Hillfields Haween Group** application, the NP Co-ordinator reported that the panel had only been able to recommend £690 as the application had been poorly written. This funding would provide the trip and workshop element of the application. The NP Co-ordinator agreed to contact the group with respect to providing assistance for any future applications.

Action: NP Co-ordinator to provide assistance to Hillfields Haween Group regarding future Wellbeing applications.

On being put to the vote, the Hillfields Haween Group funding of £690 was carried unanimously.

On being put to the vote, the **Brook Road & Tyndale Avenue NWG** grant application was carried unanimously.

Name of Organisation	Amount requested £	Amount recommended £	Amount Approved by NC £
The Care Forum	4,595	4,000	4,000
Barton Fields Trust	700	700	700
Hillfields Haween Group	4,004	690	690
Brook Road & Tyndale Avenue	600	600	600

RESOLVED – The Neighbourhood Committee agreed the Wellbeing applications received since December 2015 as set out above.

Part 5: Traffic and Transport.

The NP Co-ordinator referred to paragraph 17 of the report and discussion took place regarding the merits of the six-month trial. The NP **agreed** to support the recommendation of the Traffic and Transport Subgroup with the caveat that if safety became an issue, the trial would stop.

The NP Co-ordinator referred to Paragraph 18 of the report regarding a TRO for Dunkirk Road. Drummond Road. The Subgroup had wished to extend the TRO to Alexandra Park Road but officers had advised that this had already been covered as part of the GBBN TRO.

On being put to the vote, this was carried unanimously.

RESOLVED - the Neighbourhood Committee approved the 2016/17 Local Traffic Scheme as set out below.

2016/17 Local Traffic scheme: Neighbourhood Budget £65, 327.82

NP Plan Priority	Amount £	Running Balance £
Traffic and Transport feasibility P3: Dunkirk Rd parking restriction.	10,000	55, 327.82
Remaining Neighbourhood Budget		£55, 327.82

In addition, NP member wished to bring to the attention of the NP a letter he had received from the Highways Authority regarding the Duchess Way roundabout. He was extremely concerned at the response and wished to gain the views of the NP. The NP supported his concerns and it was **agreed** that the NP Co-ordinator arrange a meeting with senior highway officers on this matter, and in particular whether the St Mathias Section 106 monies could be used to fund a left lane. This meeting to also discuss Hockey's Lane.

Action: NP Co-ordinator to arrange meeting with Highways on Duchess Way and Hockey's Lane.

Part 6: Environment.

Representatives on the Environment Subgroup reported to the NP, for accuracy, that the East Park Estate proposal had been discussed but it was agreed **not** to fund as it was a residential area without a high footfall and therefore failed to meet criteria set for Clean and Green budget. The NP Co-ordinator apologised for the miscommunication. He agreed to circulate their project proposal electronically and if required to hold an extraordinary meeting of the Subgroup to consider the proposal. The NP agreed that the funding should be conditioned so that monies were used for the workshop and not for hanging baskets. It was noted that should East Park Estate wish to submit a proposal which fitted the criteria, it could go forward and that Councillor Threlfall should be consulted.

The NP heard that Trendlewood, another residential area, had sought funding for some time and therefore should be considered and potentially granted up to £1,000 with the caveat that the Neighbourhood Officer work with them and they take part in Subgroup activities.

It was noted that Beacon Tower had not been included in the proposals. The NP Co-ordinator agreed to investigate and include if required.

Action: NP Co-ordinator to –

- **Inform East Park Estate of condition that funding to be used for workshop and not hanging baskets;**
- **Investigate Beacon Tower proposal;**
- **Circulate East Park Estate project proposal.**

The NP **agreed** the proposals as set out below as well as the Trendlewood and Beacon Tower proposals.

On being put to the vote, this was carried unanimously.

RESOLVED – the Neighbourhood Committee approved the Environment Budget proposals as set out below and in addition the Trendlewood and Beacon Tower proposals.

NP Plan Priority	Activity/description of works	Amount £	Running Balance
Environment Ref : P1 Activity 5 The NP is clean, tidy and well maintained.	1. Fishponds Shopping District – planters, hanging baskets	1, 740	6,001
	2. Lodge Causeway Shopping – hanging baskets, cup and saucer planters and 4 railing planters	1, 940	4,061
	3. Lower Fishponds Rd area – hanging baskets	1, 080	2, 981
	4. East Park Estate – HEFS in bloom, recruit participants and general enhancement	981	2,000
Remaining Environment Budget			£2, 000

Part 7: Co-ordinating Subgroup.

This was noted. It was agreed to consider at the next Subgroup the need for more effective working.

Part 8 : Boundary Review.

The NP noted the changes to ward boundaries due to recent boundary review.

7. NP Plan Update Report.

The NP Co-ordinator agreed to e-mail the Police Update information.

Action : NP Co-ordinator to email Police Update to NP.

8. Public Forum.

There was none.

9. Date of Next Meeting

It was confirmed that the next meeting of the Neighbourhood Partnership would be held from 7pm on Thursday 14 July 2016 at the Vassall Centre, Oldbury Court, Fishponds, Bristol.

(The meeting ended at 9.15pm)

CHAIR