



MY NEIGHBOURHOOD



Greater Bedminster Community Partnership 5 September 2016

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Title: GBCP Plan Update Report

The Greater Bedminster Community Partnership is asked to note the contents of the update report

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1. Environment: Improving the green / environment infrastructure Update

Activity/Description	Cost to date £	Update
Objective 1		
Improving our Parks and open spaces; Play/ Habitats/ Accessibility		
Objective 2		
To develop new play/youth facilities for Ashton Vale		
Objective 3		
Review and improve provision of waste and street scene services to improve the quality of the street scene environment		<p>The Lets Clean Bedminster project between GBCP, The Council and Bristol Waste has been set up and is tackling hot spot areas for residential and commercial properties. Currently working on a communication initiative to encourage the correct storage of commercial and residential bins/boxes</p> <p>Various community clean ups have happened organised by, Careboo, AVT, Franc, Residents supporting Clarke St and Friends of Luckwell park.</p>
Objective 4		
Reduce dog fouling incidents across the GBCP area		<p>Article placed in GBCP newsletter to encourage people to get together to tackle dog fouling issues.</p> <p>At the June ESG meeting S106 recommendations were agreed for South Street park, Gores Marsh and Windmill Hill farm.</p>
Objective 5		
Increase number of street trees		A small working group has come together to work on the street tree plan and will be presenting ideas in the

		September ESG meeting
Objective 6		
To improve Air Quality across the Partnership area		Air quality meeting in November 2016
Objective 7		
Improve communications		The Environment Sub Group and the Partnership continues to use the electronic newsletter to communicate with stakeholders. Further developments will be explored in the coming months.

2. Traffic and Transport: Activities to encourage people to walk, cycle or use public transport

Description of works	Est cost	Update
Objective 1		
Improved highways and modes of transport		Agreed traffic schemes are in progress
Objective 2		
Improving walking and cycling routes		Conversations with local schools is identifying future improvements/safety measures across the area.
Objective 3		
To address the needs of people in communities with restricted mobility		No update

3. Community Safety: To reduce crime and the fear of crime

Description of works	Est cost	Update
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Objective 1

Continue to Improve Police and partners working together successfully to deal with crime and anti-social behaviour

Specific actions:

- To deliver the violent crime programme for the BID area
- Support work to reduce burglaries across the GBCP area
- To conduct follow up enquiries in relation to all reported burglaries. This includes a home safety visit from a PCSO, local house to house enquiries and initiatives such as property marking.
- There will be assigning of PCSOs with “projects” in the near future, and possible ‘problem-solving’ approaches.

Violent crime & burglaries are very different pieces of work – why are they in the same part of the plan? Re violent crime, this was something that Paul Honeychurch did a lot of work upon. His last update was in summer 2015, so it’s something that we will need to refresh ourselves upon. Changes in crime recording practices have significantly impacted upon levels of violence against the person (VAP) offences (we classify far more instances of “previous” ASB as “crime”, particularly in areas such as threats, harassment and minor assaults). It’s therefore hard to accurately analyse the reasons behind any rise or fall in VAP. My records show that levels of VAP rose from 695 to 951 over a comparable 12 month rolling period, an overall rise of 36.8%.

Re burglaries, I see that the performance measure is with regards to commercial burglaries? We don’t classify commercial burglaries as such; we can provide figures for non-dwelling burglaries, but this includes things like sheds, garages etc....? Non-dwelling burglaries fell from 197 to 149 (down 24.4%) in the rolling 12 month period July 14/15 compared to July 15/16.

I would have thought that dwelling burglaries would have been more of a significant issue for local people? Indeed, these have risen over the same 12 month comparison period (from 78 to 96, a rise of 23%).

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support work to reduce the theft from motor vehicles • Support work to reduce anti-social behaviour, including graffiti in underpasses etc • Support work to reduce theft from person • Support the work to reduce Hate Crime and Racially aggravated Crime across the GBCP area 	<p>Figures for the past 12 months (at the end of July 2016) showed that theft from motor vehicles had fallen from 224 (in the previous rolling 12 month period) to 193, a drop of 13.8%. That said, theft from motor vehicle will always score low in terms of threat, harm and risk (which is the way in which our work is prioritised). This means that neighbourhood teams have less time to focus on such areas of work, and will struggle to do so in the future.</p> <p>Figures for the past rolling 12 months (end July 2016) show ASB in the GBCP area had fallen from 1018 to 677, a drop of 33.5%. Better crime recording practices probably accounts for a significant proportion of the fall. ASB remains a priority for neighbourhood teams. We endeavour to call back all victims of ASB. We manage any cases of ASB with an element of risk using our niche crime management system, and NPT officers continue to regularly patrol ASB hotspots.</p> <p>Again, I should state that this issue is unlikely to ever score highly in terms of threat, harm and risk. The chances of this being a priority issue for the Neighbourhood Police Team is therefore fairly low.</p> <p>Incidents of recorded racially or religiously aggravated offences have fallen from 51 to 42, a drop of 17.6%. However, this does not include a large number of hate crimes which aren't legally regarded as "aggravated" offences, so things such as disablist crime, LGBT, Transgender etc. It has proved very hard to get accurate figures in relation to overall levels of hate incidents...</p>
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Objective 2		
Change the perception of crime in line with actual crime levels		No update

4. Housing, Planning and Major Projects: Local developments to meet the needs of local people

Description of works	Est cost	Update
Objective 1		
Improved engagement in planning pre-application process		No update
Objective 2		
All developments to deliver tangible benefits for local people		No update

5. Older people: Improving the life for older people

Description of works	Est cost	Update
Objective 1		
Work with partners to fully develop the GBCP area as an Age Friendly Neighbourhood		Standing item on GBCP agendas is taking place
Objective 2		
Work with partners to reduce isolation and loneliness of older people in the GBCP area.		Conversations and contact with older people and older people groups is taking place in targeted locations. For example, work residents in the various blocks are also progressing, participation in BAB events have also taken place. The latter events have been targeted at

		<p>older people.</p> <p>GBCP staff attend various coffee mornings to build relationships and to share GBCP resources – Board papers, newsletters etc.</p> <p>Pop up Neighbourhood Forums are all held in older people preferred blocks</p>
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Objective 3

Develop a new way of working that provides a focus to achieving the specific actions within the Older People's Priority		No update
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6. Younger People: Improving the life for younger people

Description of works	Est cost	Update
Objective 1		
Improving the life for younger people and achieving high quality of life indicators for children in the area		The Highways safety work is an opportunity for greater contact relationship building with local schools and young people.

7. Employment, training and economic development: Improving the economic health of our retail streets and neighbourhoods

Description of works	Est cost	Update
Objective 1		
Increase local business resilience		No update

Objective 2		
Increase job readiness of the unemployed		No update

8. Equalities, community cohesion and active citizenship

Description of works	Est cost	Update
Objective 1		
Supporting existing community events and groups to reflect people from all equality groups and emerging communities		No update
Objective 2		
Ensure that the Community Partnership reflects the community it represents		The GBCP Board is bringing in communication expertise to assist in broadening the reach of the partnership.
Objective 3		
Celebrate community volunteering		Funding awareness sessions for people in the community various times and locations A stall at the North Street Christmas fair
Objective 4		
Work to ensure accessible services and facilities across the area		Discussions have taken place with BPAC (Bristol Physical Access Chain) to assist with the delivery of the Access Audit. Work is continuing to be developed to deliver the actions in the report.
Objective 5		
Active residents who can influence local decision-making		There have been informal forums in older people preferred blocks and for the residents of the council owned Malago Road flats. Pop up forums have occurred in Greville Smyth Park, Windmill Hill Farm and the South baths swimming pool,

		<p>toddler groups and Marksbury road library, the purpose to promote GBCP and get more residents to sign up to the GBCP newsletter.</p> <p>Stalls to promote GBCP at the North street fair and Upfest</p>
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9. Community buildings and facilities

Description of works	Est cost	Update
Objective 1		
Maintain and Improve community buildings / facilities (standard, numbers and availability)		Work is taking place to improve targeted assets – Greville Smyth pavilion, Hebron Burial ground etc.