DARLEY NEIGHBOURHOOD BOARD

DRAFT Minute of the meeting held on Wednesday 5 August 2009 at West End Bowls Club, Markeaton Street

Present:

Councillor Martin Repton	-	Derby City Council (Chair)
Councillor Finbar Richards	-	Derby City Council
Councillor John-Paul Keane	-	Derby City Council
Pop Gill	-	Community Safety Partnership
Chris Wynn	-	FODOS
Beverley Ann Hunter	-	Chester Green Residents Association
Neville Wells	-	University of Derby
Roy Hartle	-	Darley Abbey Historical Association
Sergeant Rachel Frost	-	Derbyshire Police Service
Dot Webster	-	Resident
Peter Ansem	-	Resident
Patrick Aherne	-	Resident
Jasvir K Bahth	-	Derby City Council, Youth Service
David Ling	-	Darley Abbey Society
Jude King	-	Strutts Park Residents Association
Samantha Wright	-	DACP Minute Taker

1.	09/10	WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS & APOLOGIES	
		Councillor Repton welcomed those present and introductions took place.	
		Apologies for absence were received from Inspector Keene, Chrissie Tucker and Brian Perry.	
2.	09/10	DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL AND/OR PREJUDICIAL INTEREST	
		Beverley Hunter declared an interest in an application for funding.	
3.	09/10	LATE ITEMS	
		The Board agreed to receive a verbal presentation from the Youth Services Team on Youth Provision in the Darley area.	
4.	09/10	MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING	
		The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 27 May 2009 were noted as an accurate record of meeting.	
		Matters Arising	
		Pop Gill advised that he had contacted the applicants of	

		Roundabout Trust UK to request further information in support of their application for funding. It was noted that the Arboretum and Normanton Boards had part funded an application submitted for funding from the Roundabout Trust, and further discussions are taking place with those Boards to fund the application in full.
5.	09/10	
		The Board received an update report on the Neighbourhood Budget 2009/10. The paper outlined the status of the £26,000 awarded to the Darley Neighbourhood Board for the financial year 2009/10.
		The Board had previously agreed the following three priorities for 2009/10 Neighbourhood Plan.
		 Environment Highways and Transport People and Communities
		It was noted the funding awarded by Derby City Council, £20,000 has been ring fenced as follows:
		 £10,000 on Youth Provision, Crime & Community Safety and Highways £10,000 on Footpath Maintenance
		At the Board meeting on Wednesday 22 April 2009, the Board had recommended the following priorities for funding awards, from the Neighbourhood Community Budget.
		 £6,000 on Environment, People and Communities, Highways and Transport, and projects to support the following were discussed: enable local people to become more involved in activities in their neighbourhood, support green and open spaces, support voluntary groups, leisure and sporting facilities and to support conservation activity.
		Chris Wynn and Neville Wells reported that the Board and Sub Group had been working positively in partnership with the University of Derby on the Travel Plan. It is anticipated that there will be no loss of revenue on the travel plan scheme. Derby City Parks will receive the income from the permit scheme.
		Neville Wells stated that students will be issued with a car parking permit to use the Markeaton Park Car Park, and the permit scheme will be monitored and reviewed on a regular basis. The car park will have CCTV installed to assist with security measures.

The Board rejected the application for funding and asked	PG
Chris Wynn advised that the Wheeldon Avenue Group had received funding previously from the Area Panel, and there had been no update received from the group explaining what the money had been spent on.	
The Board received an application for funding on behalf of the Wheeldon Avenue Group. The aim of the group is to build on community spirit and reduce isolation by encouraging residents to work together and participate in a range of community events/activities.	
Funding Applications	
The Board noted the contents of the detailed Neighbourhood Budget Report 2009/10.	
Councillor Keene referred to an email from Andrew Hopkin stating that potentially some funds should be available for the Park and Ride Scheme. It had been noted that funding towards the project may well be requested from the Darley and Allestree Boards.	
Pop Gill reported that the rolling remaining budget had been approved for allocation in this year's budget, and the total is estimated at £30,000.	
Pop Gill said that in the meantime, he will contact the Council's Grounds Maintenance Team to prune the overgrown trees and bushes back in St Matthews Walk. Councillor Repton asked that the sub group review the footpath issues at its next meeting.	PG
It was reported that the lighting in St Matthews Walk needs to be improved because the raised steps are not visible enough for pedestrians and is potentially dangerous during the dark evenings. Pop Gill advised that the estimated cost of installing a lighting column would be £8,000. The Board suggested that it would be a good idea for Pop Gill to approach the Council's PFI Scheme.	PG
Ray Hartle reported that there are still two bollards missing in Church Lane outside the picture shop. Pop Gill advised that the bollards should be directly replaced, and that he will contact the Highways and Transportation Department to investigate the matter.	PG
The Board agreed to continue to support the project on University Car Parking, and had agreed to contribute £6,000 towards this project. It was noted that the Allestree Board had also agreed to jointly contribute £6,000.	

		 Pop Gill to advise the group to contact other funding providers for support. Also a letter should be written to the group explaining the funding process and procedure. The Board received an application for funding on behalf of the Little Chester Residents Association. The funding had been requested to purchase a laser printer to produce the monthly newsletters and a weatherproof/tamperproof Victorian notice board. The Board agreed to fund £500 towards the laser printer, and advised that the group should research other organisations to purchase a notice board as the current quotation seemed excessive. 	
6.	09/10	PRESENTATION ON THE YOUTH SERVICE	
		The Board received a presentation on youth provision for the Darley area. The outreach work had engaged with young people in the Chester Green and West End areas. 26 young people completed a questionnaire on expectations, activities and requirements for young people in the area.	
		The Board asked Jasvir and Chris to organise a working	JB
		group to meet with partnering organisations to organise a working and projects to achieve and improve youth engagement. Pop Gill said that he would email a contact list for the Board Members to Jasvir.	PG
7.	09/10	NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN	
		Pop Gill circulated a copy of the Darley Neighbourhood Board Plan 2009/10.	
		The next stage to move forward on the Neighbourhood Plan process is to set up a small number of sub group meetings. Pop Gill said that he will suggest a number of meeting dates and times for the sub groups and he will email a timetable to the Board Members.	PG
8.	09/10	NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM	
		The Board received an update report on community issues. The purpose of the report was to provide an update on the issues raised at recent Forum meetings. The report included discussions on the following items: University parking, St Alkmunds Foot Bridge at St Mary's RC Church pavements, Bath St Mills, Italianate Fountain, City Road Garages, Darley Park, Strutts Park Lighting and	
		School Traffic – St Benedict and St Mary's.	

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