Oakwood Neighbourhood Board

Minutes of meeting held on Monday 11 January 2010 at The Church on Oakwood, Bishops Drive, Oakwood

Present:

Councillor Robin Wood (Chairman)
Councillor Frank Harwood
Councillor Pauline Latham
Inspector Richard Keene
Derby City Council
Derby City Council
Inspector Derby North

Ruth Hardy Integrated Children's Service

Rob Fenton Manager Springwood Leisure Centre

Cheryl Elliott Derby City NHS

Chris Fairhall Resident
Rachael Peckham Resident
Terry Parker Resident
Malwina Bartosiak Resident
Mick Barker Resident

Reverend Lindsay Hughes
Gloria Newell
Nicky Barlett
Steven Lee

Church on Oakwood
Oakwood Evergreen Club
Planning – Derby City Council
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Samantha Wright Minute Taker

01/10	Analogies
01/10	Apologies
	Apologies for absence were received from Lorraine Howe, Ruth Kellogg, Gary Dempsey, Nikolai Garbutt, David Bryant, Kristian Hughes, Ben Parker, Joe Weston, Savanna Taylor and Aimee Loughrey.
	The Board noted the retirement of Gary Dempsey from Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service and wished him a long and happy retirement.
02/10	Minutes of Previous Meeting held on Monday 9 November 2009 and Matters Arising
	The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 9 November 2009 were noted and agreed as an accurate record of meeting.
	Matters Arising
	Richard Smail advised that Derby City Parks will attend the next Forum meeting on Thursday 18 February 2010.
	It was noted that design of the new 'Welcome to Oakwood – Check your Speed' sign will be ready for approval shortly.

03/10	Declarations of Interest Inspector Keene declared an interest in the funding proposal from the Derbyshire Police Item 09/10.	
04/10	Oakwood Board Young Peoples Sub Group	
	Councillor Harwood gave an update on a recent meeting of the Young Peoples Sub Group. The sub group had had more discussions about how a skate board facility could be installed adjacent to Springwood Leisure Centre.	
	The sub group proposed that bicycle stands are needed outside Oakwood community centre and maybe sports centre. The Board agreed to consider allocating funding for bicycle stands at the Community Centre as part of Item 9 on the agenda.	
	The next 'Litter Picking Day' had been organised to take place on Monday 15 February 2010. Ruth Hardy reported that the Saturday Night Youth Club had been very positive and well attended by 38 young people.	
	The date of the next meeting of the Young Peoples Sub Group is Monday 18 January 2010.	Sub group
05/10	Local Development Framework Core Strategy Options Consultation	
	Nicky Bartley and Steven Lee presented a report to the Board on Local Development Framework Core Strategy – Options Consultation. The Core Strategy will be the key document within Derby's Local Development Framework, replacing many existing policies of the Local Plan.	
	The Core Strategy will build on the Sustainable Community Strategy, providing a spatial vision and objectives setting out proposals for the kind of place that we want Derby to be by 2026. The 'options document' will be launched on Friday 15 January and the consultation period will continue until the end of March 2010.	
	The Appendix to the report included identified spatial issues affecting Oakwood ward; these were as follows retail, facilities, regeneration, economy, green wedge, location of work, congestion and nature conservation.	
	Nicky Bartley advised that a much shorter summary document on the Core Strategy will be available soon and will be emailed to Richard Smail should Board Members wish to view more details of the plans and proposals. A number of questions were asked about the process and the dates for the consultation exhibition events were publicised as follows:	
	 Saturday 23 January 2010 from 9.30 am to 12.30 pm Wednesday 17 February 2010 from 2.00 pm to 6.30 pm Thursday 18 March 2010 from 9.30 am to 12.30 pm. 	

	All events will be held in the City Centre at the Guild Hall. Nicky	
	Bartley advised that details on the consultation process had been	
	published in Council Newsletters and displayed on posters. There will	
	be a Neighbourhood Overview for Oakwood which will be available on	
	the website.	
	In response to a question about when and who makes the final	
	decisions, Steven explained that the process has many stages with	
	the final document being approved by Government in September	
	2011. In response to questions about whether there is a requirement	
	to provide the additional housing Nicky explained that if the document	
	submitted by Derby City Council does not address the need then the	
	Government would impose where it feels additional housing should be	
	provided.	
	Councillor Latham commented on the language in the Core Strategy	
	document and felt it included too much jargon, made it difficult to	
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	interpret and needed to be more user friendly. Discussions took place	
	on options for the green wedge land opposite near Morrison's and	
	along Lime Lane.	
	Councillor Wood considered it likely that those people living in the	
	locations identified for more housing are likely to suggest that it is	
	provided somewhere else.	
	Action: Board noted the report and dates of consultation events	All
	for residents to attend and give comments	
	Richard Smail to put an article into Forum papers	RS
	Nicky Bartley to email summary document to Richard Smail	NB
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06/10	Oakwood Board Sub Groups and Plan 2009/10	
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explanations about the sources and use of the data. A copy of the performance data for Quarter 1, April to June 2009 and Quarter 2 July to September 2009 was circulated at the meeting.

The Board agreed to consider the performance data as part of the process to identify the neighbourhood priorities for 2010/11.

Action: The Board to agree the 2010/11 priorities at the next Board meeting in March 2010.

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Police Update

Inspector Keene gave an update on policing in the last few months in the Oakwood area. It was noted that reports of anti-social behaviour had unfortunately increased during December this may be the cause of the heavy snowfall and Christmas holiday period.

There had been recent reports received that anti-social behaviour had caused some issues in the vicinity of Springwood Leisure Centre mainly on Friday evenings. Ruth Hardy advised that many of the young people meeting at the Community centre were from the Chesapeake area of Chaddesden. Inspector Keene asked if the names of the young people are known, and if this is shared with the Oakwood Safer neighbourhood Team and with the Anti-Social Behaviour Team they can arrange for a letter to be sent to their parents. Positive Action for Young People are working in Oakwood alongside Sporting Futures to engage with young people and identify ideas for activities which could then be organised events to take place on Friday evenings.

Insp Keene noted thefts from cars had increased and the Police are monitoring the cases closely and are reminding the public to remain vigilant and make sure vehicles are left securely.

Inspector Keene gave a brief overview on the Police budget process and that one of the outcomes is the possible closure of the Police Office in the community centre. Inspector Keene assured the Board that the closure of the office will not affect the service carried out by the Safer Neighbourhood Team officers.

Inspector Keene reported that overall crime had reduced by 5% compared with previous years. There had been no robberies reported in the Oakwood area and dwelling burglaries had reduced by 54%. Assault had risen by 26% calculating a number of 14 offences reported in a 9 month period. Damage and arson had risen by 16% calculating a number of 75 offences reported this year. There had been 1 serious violent offence reported this year.

Ruth Hardy would like to thank the Police and PCSO's for their help and support with the Youth Service work at the community centre.

Oakwood Neighbourhood Forum Issues Update

The Board requested that dates of future Forum meetings are

displayed in the Sussex Circus Housing Office. The date of the next Forum meeting is Thursday 18 February 2010.

Lindsay Hughes reported that there had been reports of a couple of recent accidents on the Kings Corner / Morley Road junction and asked if consideration for a traffic Island could be investigated. Richard Smail advised that work to investigate traffic collisions was ongoing at the Limes Lane/Kings Corner junction.

It was noted that the speed monitoring 'tubes' will be installed during February/March.

Action; Richard Smail to display Forum poster at Housing office

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09/10 Neighbourhood Board Funding 2009/10

Richard Smail presented a report to the Board on the Oakwood Neighbourhood Board Budgets 2009/10. The total budget remaining in 2009/10 was £6,407 before any allocations at the meeting.

1. Derbyshire Police proposal

Application for funding from Derbyshire Police for the PCSO Primary Challenge designed to develop links with PCSO's and school children in Primary Schools across north Derby. The PCSO Primary Challenge includes visits to Parkview Primary School by PCSO's and the offer of free gifts to promote a message to engage positively with PCSO's. The funding of £49 will provide stickers and bookmarks to all children at the school.

The Board agreed to fund the application £49 from the Community Safety, Highways and Youth budget.

2. Environmental Services proposal

In response to the Boards request to improve the physical appearance and attractiveness of two traffic islands on Oakwood Drive, Derby City Council Environmental Services Department put forward number of options for the Board to consider.

The Board agreed to approve Option 4 – which is to create a shrub area in the centre of each Island with a grass surround, mow the grass 30 times a year and maintain shrub area throughout the year. A total cost of £1,960 for Island one and £1,950 for Island two.

Total **cost of £3,910** split between the £10k Youth, Highways Safer budget (£2,946) and the Community Budget (£964)

3. Highways and Transport

The Board noted that in September 2009 it had agreed to fund the replacement of kerbstones on Binscombe Lane, but Highways Maintenance had now confirmed the work was not feasible. The Board had allocated £1,600 to Binscombe Lane work and was now asked to consider funding the cost of realigning the parking bays outside Vestry Road shops. There are five shops on Vestry Road with a parking bay at the front of the shops for approximately 5 cars. However changing

	the bays to an angled style layout would allow 9 cars to use the	
	parking area and reduce the parking problems.	
	The Board agreed to fund the proposal £1,000 from the Highways Budget.	
	4. Bicycle Stands	
	The Board noted that there was £600 still not reallocated from the Highways Budget for the work not taking place on Binscombe Lane. The Board considered a request to fund bicycle stands at Oakwood Community Centre. It was anticipated that 3 stands could be provided withy this funding. The Board requested that a suitable location for the bicycle stands is agreed with the Centre and users. Action: Richard Smail to coordinate a n agreed location for bicycle stands The Board agreed to fund £600 for Bicycle stands at Oakwood Community Centre from the Highways Budget Board noted the updated details of the projects funded by the Oakwood Neighbourhood Board in 2009/10 contained in Appendix 2 of the report.	RS
10/10	Dates of Next Meetings	
	The date of the next Board meeting is Monday 22 March 2010 at 7.00 pm at The Church on Oakwood, Bishops Drive.	
	The date of the Forum meeting is Thursday 18 February 2010 at 6.30 pm at The Church on Oakwood, Bishops Drive.	

Meeting closed at 9.25 pm