# **MACKWORTH NEIGHBOURHOOD BOARD**

# Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 17 March 2010 at 6.00pm at the Lonny Wilsoncroft Centre

### **Present:**

Councillor Higginbottom	Derby City Council (Chair)
Councillor Baxter	Derby City Council
Councillor Tuplin	Derby City Council
Inspector Richard Keene	Police
Emma Tidbury	Derby Homes
Helen Faulconbridge	Neighbourhood Team
Peter Matthews	Neighbourhood Team
David Finn	Youth Services
Steve Ratcliffe	Derbyshire Fire Service
Nathan Coons	New Zealand Resident
Mandy Coons	New Zealand Resident
Paul Pegg	Mackworth Resident
Judy Kelsall	Mackworth Resident
Terry Rogerson	Mackworth Resident
Laraine Tuplin	Derby PCT

# **Apologies:**

Lester Pendrey Nick Robinson Richard Gerrard Nathan Lucas

01/10	WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS & APOLOGIES	<u>ACTIONS</u>
	The Chair welcomed those present and introductions were made. Apologies were noted.	
02/10	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	
	Councillor Baxter advised the Board that all members had to declare an interest in the item board membership.	
03/10	LATE ITEMS Paul Pegg questioned whether resident board members were able to question Councillors and Officers of the Council regarding documents they receive relating to council services?	
	Councillor Higginbottom stated that board members are here to ask questions of agencies and asked if Paul was able to raise the question he wished?	
	Paul stated he was able to ask the question and was not prevented from doing so by the Chair.	

## Youth Service - David Finn

A report from the Youth Service had been circulated to all Board members prior to the meeting.

David advised the meeting that the new youth centre was being handed over on 19 March 2010. The centre is not open yet, as work is still to be completed. A security gate is to be fitted to the front doors. David requested Inspector Keene asked his staff to keep an eye on the centre.

Open days will be arranged for the Neighbourhood Board members to look around the centre if they wish. These will be arranged prior to the official opening.

An event was held at the centre today with local young people, which representatives from the Youth Taskforce attended.

David advised the board that the concerns re the damaged caused to the grassed area at the front of the centre were reported to the contractor and the damage was rectified on 15 March 2010.

Youth Services are also trying to obtain funding to get the car park at the centre resurfaced.

David advised the board that they would try and accommodate community groups who wished to use the centre.

Paul Pegg raised concerns with regards to the air conditioning units outside the centre and the health and safety risks these posed. David confirmed that a cage would be put around the units to prevent people from tampering with them.

Councillor Higginbottom thanked David Finn and his team for their work.

David advised the board that he would book the centre for the next board meeting.

#### Nicola Murton - Extended Services

Nicola advised the board members about the Locality 5 priorities for Extended Services. Key priorities have been identified as holiday provision for 5 – 11yr olds, family support and family learning. The budget will be agreed in the next few weeks. Nicola will be working with the Neighbourhood Board to look to plan activities for the holiday provision.

#### 04/10 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Page 5 – Mick / Mack line should be 2009 not 2010. Agreed to be a true record.

#### 05/10 | HIGHWAYS UPDATE

Pete Matthews stated the £10k for slurry sealing the pavements identified by the Board have been passed to Dave Kinsey in Highways.

#### 06/10 | FIRE SERVICE

Steve Ratcliffe advised the meeting that there have been 11 calls for service in the recent weeks in relation to arson. 3 young people have been named as setting fire to grassed areas and hedges in Mackworth. They have all been set between 3.00pm and 6.00pm and are all on the route from Murray Park school to Mackworth. There have also been malicious calls made from the phone box on Birdcage Walk. Steve will pass the information through to Helen and she will liaise with the Police and ASB Team to deal with the individuals.

Steve to pass names of young people to Helen Faulconbridge

As Derby College will be moving off site. Steve raised concerns regarding Derby College pulling off site on Prince Charles Avenue and the risk this posed re opportunities for arson and graffiti. Paul Pegg stated that D block was being pulled down as soon as they move off site, and that security will remain on site until the land has been sold.

Steve advised the Board that there have been issues with parking on Windmill Hill Lane. The parking is causing an obstruction and the fire service would not be able to access this area in an emergency. The Police and the Fire Service carried out a joint operation in this area and the Police issued a number of vehicles with tickets. The contractors from the Miller Homes site on Ashbourne Road seem to be the worst offenders.

Councillor Higginbottom to write to Miller Homes

Councillor Higginbottom stated that she had written to Miller Homes regarding this issue and they responded saying that they would ensure they rectified the problem. Councillor Higginbottom stated she would write to Miller Homes again. Inspector Keene stated he would ask his team to keep an eye on the area.

Areas for Fire Service operation to be passed through to Steve Ratcliffe

Councillor Higginbottom requested the Fire Service repeated the operation to see if the situation with parked cars improves. Steve Ratcliffe stated that it probably would be practical to carry out this type of operation approximately once every quarter. Councillor Higginbottom requested the Board are kept updated on the situation. It was also requested that areas in Mackworth such as Westbourne Park are included in the operation. Inspector Keene stated the Police would support such operations and that a press release would be useful to highlight this issue with members of the public.

Helen
Faulconbridge
to pass future
dates for
Tasking
meetings
through to
Steve
Ratcliffe.

Councillor Higginbottom questioned whether a member of the Fire Service attends the Tasking meetings? Steve Ratcliffe advised that he will ensure his community safety officer will attend future meetings.

#### 07/10 POLICE

Inspector Keene stated that the Safer Neighbourhood Team have been carrying out visits to local schools to advise on internet safety. A church Watch scheme is up and running across the ward, but unfortunately some damage has been caused to the Methodist Church.

There are now 5 Neighbourhood Watches across the ward.

Anti Social Behaviour in the ward is down by 10%.

The Police are holding joint surgeries with Derby Homes across the ward. The Section 30 will run until 20 July 2010.

An Off Watch scheme has been set up across the ward where by the off licences can speak to each other regarding any issues.

There has been an increase in drugs intelligence in the ward.

PC Chris Turner has joined the SNT to replace Dan Titterton.

All crime is down 10%.

Judy Kelsall stated she wanted to thanks PCSO Charles and PC Bettany for an excellent response to a call she made regarding verbal abuse she received from a local youth, they responded to her call immediately and received an apology and flowers off the young person involved in the incident.

#### 08/10 BOARD MEMBERSHIP

All existing Board members have been sent an application form to complete if they wished to remain a board member. Terry Rogerson said he did not feel very happy about having to rate his performance as a board member, which was a section on the form which was required to be completed.

Councillor Higginbottom stated that due to there only being 4 resident board members on the board for each side of the ward, the application form was required to ensure no prospective members were discriminated against.

Pete Matthews stated that the application form was required to ensure all resident board members were suitable candidates. There is currently a waiting list for Mackworth Estate residents to be a board member. There are currently 2 vacancies for New Zealand Residents, but two interested residents have been sent membership forms for completion

Nathan Coons stated he had still not received confirmation that he had been accepted as a board member from the Community Safety Partnership.

Councillor Higginbottom questioned whether the number of resident's board members should be increased to allow residents on the waiting list an opportunity to serve on the board.

Pete Matthews stated that he feels that the number of residents and

Helen to chase 2 potential board members for the New Zealand area.

Helen to chase confirmation for Nathan

professional who serve on the board needs to remain manageable.

Paul Pegg stated he felt that if 2 new Zealand residents joined the board this would strike a fair balance for both areas of the ward. He stated that he felt that any new board member should currently be attending their local forum.

Councillor Higginbottom stated she felt that was fair.

Paul Pegg proposed that Councillor Baxter should remain on the board after he steps down as a Councillor for the area in May 2010. He stated that Councillor Baxter is a valuable resource due to his knowledge in the planning field and of the local area. Paul proposed that Councillor Baxter be made a honorary member to represent the whole ward. Paul Pegg proposed this motion and Nathan Coons seconded the motion. All Board members agreed in favour.

Councillor Higginbottom stated that Councillor Baxter would have an independent role and not a political role. Councillor Higginbottom asked whether Board members felt that resident board member numbers should be extended?

Mandy Coons questioned whether residents could join the sub groups instead of the Board? Pete Matthews responded and stated that board members were the key people on the sub groups as the purpose of the sub groups is to drive the priorities for the ward forward and that non board members would not be fully informed on this process.

Board members agreed at this point to keep the number of resident board members to 8, which reflects 4 members from each side of the ward.

Pete Matthews stated that if board members agreed future meetings would start at 6.30pm and not 6.00pm. All members agreed.

Future board meetings to start at 6.30pm

#### 09/10 YOUTH SHADOW BOARD

Pete Matthews stated that the Neighbourhood Team would be working with Enthusiasm and the Youth Service to target young people to establish a youth board. Enthusiasm would be approaching young people from the ward who attend Murray Park school initially. September 2010 is the anticipated start date for the youth board. The shadow board will feed into the main board via representatives from the shadow board or by representatives from Enthusiasm or the Youth Service.

Pete
Matthews to
work with
Enthusiasm
and the Youth
Service to
establish a
shadow youth
board.

#### 10/10 PERFORMANCE REPORT A performance report had been circulated to all board members prior to the meeting with the proposed new priorities for the ward for 2010/11. Pete Matthews presented the new priorities for the ward to the board and asked if all members supported these priorities. All members voted in favour of the new priorities. 11/10 **AGENCY REPORTS** Reports from Derby Homes, Enthusiasm, Mackworth Estate Community Association and Youth Services were circulated to all Board members prior to the meeting. Councillor Higginbottom asked the Board if they had any gueries or comments in relation to the reports? To request that the Judy Kelsall requested if in future the report from Enthusiasm could **Enthusiasm** have more specific information relating to the Mackworth Ward. report contains more Councillor Tuplin asked Paul Pegg when MECA anticipated work to specific start on the centre next to St Francis Church? Paul Pegg stated they information have the lease and the centre was cleared out week commencing 8 relating to the March 2010. They are awaiting the outcome of funding bids which Mackworth they have put in before any work can commence. They currently Ward. have a number of funding bids in. SUB-GROUP UPDATES 12/10 Stronger sub group Paul Pegg stated that a written report has been circulated to board members about the proposed development on the current Derby College site on Prince Charles Avenue. It has been proposed that approximately 220 properties could be developed on the site. There would be a health centre on the site and the current gym and sports hall will remain on the site along with the football pitches. Pete Matthews stated that himself, Councillor Baxter, Councillor Tuplin and Paul Pegg attended a meeting at Mickleover regarding the proposed development in the area. There are no plans as yet but if the development does go ahead this will impact on the local infrastructure. The board need to be mindful of this. Paul Pegg, Councillor Baxter and Pete Matthews also attended a meeting at Amber Valley and it was agreed that the Section 106 money from the Radbourne Lane development will be ring fenced for Mackworth Estate. Councillor Higginbottom questioned whether Pete Matthews Pete receives the Section 106 reports for the city and if he could bring Matthews to these along to the board meetings so the board members could see bring copies where this money is spent within the city? Pete stated he did receive of Section 106 these and would bring copies along for future board meetings. reports to

	Paul Pegg also stated that the Section 106 money from any developments at the Derby college site will also been ring fenced for Mackworth Estate. Nigel Gell from the college will be discussing this with Signet who are dealing with the plans for the site.	future board meetings
13/10	BUDGET UPDATES – FUNDING BIDS	
	All board members have received a budget report prior to the meeting. <b>Funding Bids – Mackworth Estate Neighbourhood Watch</b> £122.48 has been requested by Mackworth Estate Neighbourhood Watch to purchase bells to attach to purses. These will be distributed to the local community free of charge.  All board members voted in favour of this bid being passed.	
14/10	AOB	
	Laraine Tuplin stated this was the last meeting she would be attending as she was retiring and Janet Winter would be replacing her as the PCT rep. Councillor Higginbottom thanked Laraine for her work on the board.	
	DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING	
	Wednesday 12 May 2010 at 6.00pm at the Lonny Wilsoncroft Centre	