

Time Commenced – 6.00pm
Time Finished – 9.07pm

**AREA PANEL 3
(ABBEY, ARBORETUM AND NORMANTON)
WEDNESDAY 19 NOVEMBER 2003**

Present: Councillor B Lowe (Chair)
Councillors M Burgess, F Hussain, A Jackman, A Kalia, A Nath,
A Rehman and C Williamson

Derby City Council and Derbyshire Constabulary Officers:

Sarah Edwards	-	Area Panel Manager – Area and Neighbourhood Team
Matthew Hands	-	Area Renewal Manager – Housing and Advice Services
Andy Luscombe	-	Principal Policy Officer – Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership
Neil Palfreyman	-	Traffic Management Engineer – Traffic Management Section
Inspector Gary Parkin	-	Police Inspector - Derbyshire Constabulary
David Romaine	-	Overview and Scrutiny Co-ordinator – Democratic Services
Katherine Taylor	-	Members Services Officer – Democratic Services
Graeme Walton	-	Estate Manager – Derby Homes
Ian Wheatley	-	Grounds Maintenance Manager - Commercial Services

68 members of the public were in attendance.

27/03 Apologies for Absence

An apology for absence was received from Councillor A Hussain.

28/03 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Maurice Burgess declared a personal interest in minute no. 36/03 as he was a Governor at St Chad Church of England (Controlled) Nursery and Infant School.

29/03 Late Items to be Introduced by the Chair

There were no late items.

30/03 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 17 September 2003 were confirmed as a correct record, subject to the following change:

Havelock Road should read Westbury Street in Minute no. 20/03.

31/03 Updates

Sarah Edwards Area Panel Manager, introduced a report, which set out responses to questions raised verbally or in writing at the last meeting.

Petition – Crompton Street Parking

At the last meeting of the Area Panel a petition regarding parking on Crompton Street had been raised. At its meeting on 28 October 2003, Council Cabinet considered a report highlighting parking issues on Crompton Street. Having considered the issues, Council Cabinet decided to allow residents of Crompton Street, and other streets where Pay and Display parking applied, to have 20 visitor parking permits per year. A resident of Crompton Street wished to thank the Council Cabinet and also Councillor Williamson for his help in raising this issue. He also wished his thanks for the leaflets distributed to the residents to be recorded. However he was concerned that the parking arrangements would be for a trial period of 2 years and that this had not been publicised to residents. Furthermore the residents would assume that during this time any problems with the scheme would be considered by Council Cabinet. Neil Palfreyman, Traffic Management Engineer confirmed that this assumption was correct.

Councillor Williamson commented that he hoped that residents of the street would not have to wait the full 2 years if the scheme proved problematic and he hoped that the Council Cabinet would consider any “bedding-in” issues before the scheme was ratified.

Petition – Connecting Derby – Road Safety Improvements to St Michael’s Lane

As part of the Connecting Derby scheme changes to the road layout in St Michael’s Lane had been agreed and residents would be consulted with in the near future.

It was proposed that the issue was incorporated into the public consultation that was taking place regarding the proposed King Street/ Five Lamps improvements, which would be held at:

- St Mary’s Parish Centre, Darley Lane, Monday 24 November - from 3 pm to 8 pm

- Walter Evans Primary School, Tuesday 25 November – from 3 pm to 8 pm
- Polish Club, Kedleston Road, Wednesday 26 November – from 3 pm to 8 pm
- Woodlands School, Thursday 27 November – from 4 pm to 8 pm

Councillor Burgess stated that the consultation was open to everybody and that 14,000 houses in the area would be told of the meeting. He hoped that those interested would go to see the Traffic Scheme.

Discarded Needles and Drug Litter

It was reported that the Community Safety Partnership had committed to report back in January 2004 on the progress of the state of St Joseph's Church and the development of a new service to tackle the removal of discarded needles and drug litter in Normanton and Peartree.

Littleover Brook, St Alban's Road

It was reported that the work which had been started on the Littleover Brook in October 2003 was almost complete and that the only outstanding work was the cleaning out of the culverts, which was due to be completed by the end November 2003.

Petition – Dumping and Bonfires in Hartington Street

The Council had monitored activity and recognised the rubbish problem in Hartington Street. This was removed regularly and rodent activity had not been detected. It was reported that John Tomlinson, Environmental Health Manager, would continue to work with the residents on this matter.

Councillor Burgess commented that in relation to this Hartington Street issue that new street lighting was due to be installed during the week commencing 24 November 2003. There would be a slight delay as the electricity board still had to connect up the street lights.

Connecting Derby

A request for an update on the Connecting Derby project had been made at the Area Panel in June 2003 and provided in the updates in September 2003. At the Area Panel in September 2003 a member of the public had enquired whether there had been any Compulsory Purchase Orders – CPOs issued. It was reported that the Council could enter into open negotiations with land and property owners to purchase property and land needed to implement the proposed development.

In the case of the Connecting Derby project there had been a number of successful purchases completed by open negotiation. However there had been no instances of the Council using its CPO powers. CPO's

could only be implemented formally once full planning approval had been given.

The Connecting Derby Team and the Council Legal Experts were in the process of developing the CPO process for Connecting Derby to such a stage that once full planning permission was granted the process could begin. The CPO process was currently programmed to begin soon after planning was granted in the Autumn of 2005.

There was a CPO for the Eagle Centre extension. This was made on 11 June 2003 and as objections were made there would be a public inquiry, which would start on 2 December 2003. A member of the public asked for clarification on a sentence in the update which stated:

The CPO for Connecting Derby was expected to go to Council Cabinet in December 2003 to seek approval to submit the Planning Applications for stages 2 and 3a. Councillor Burgess confirmed that this was in fact not correct.

Fireworks

The update included information regarding the Environmental Health and Trading Standards Service's powers to deal with the sale and storage of fireworks, which included the registration of retailers and the control of noise nuisance.

Prostitution

At the last meeting of the Area Panel a resident had expressed concern about drug abuse and prostitution in Normanton. It was reported that a meeting with the Ward Councillors, the Police, Derby City Council, partners and other agencies had taken place to manage the problem. Inspector Parkin reported that this meeting had taken place. Inspector Parkin emphasised that in Derbyshire prostitution was one of the Police Authority's priorities with respect to arresting and convicting prostitutes and curb crawlers. He also reiterated the point he had made previously which was that the majority of the prostitutes were also drug users. He assured those present at the meeting that he would continue to prioritise these issues.

Councillor Williamson commented that he was reassured by the meeting, which he had had with the Divisional Commander of Derbyshire Police, Inspector Parkin and Councillor Nath. He also reiterated that many forces in the Country had stepped back from tackling prostitution and its related crimes but that Derbyshire put in more resources to tackling these issues. He was committed to working with the Courts and the Derby Evening Telegraph in "naming and shaming" people involved in prostitution who blight the lives of the people of the ward. He was very supportive of the Police's work and commented that tackling the streets was only one part of the answer.

A member of the public commented that she thought there was only one rehabilitation centre for women who were involved in prostitution and drugs, which was in Wales.

Inspector Parkin responded by stating that there were organisations in Derby, which included Addaction and The Drug and Alcohol Team.

Councillor Fareed Hussain commented that there were also rehabilitation facilities in Centenary House. He agreed with Councillor Williamson that there should be more rehabilitation centres in the City.

Councillor Burgess added that the Drug and Alcohol Abuse Team had been given £450,000 to help with the work that they were doing in the Area. He also stated that Derby had applied for an additional £500,000 from the criminal justice programme but that this had not been successful. He went on to say that the Council was lobbying the Government hard to include Derby in this scheme in the future.

Councillor Jackman stated that there was the Derby Women's Centre, Hadhari, The Edge Project and Women's Work Project but also agreed that more resources were needed.

Councillor Williamson stated that this issue was a Government priority and that more funding was always needed but that it would be necessary to look locally at the resource allocation and how joint working could take place.

Resolved to ask the Community Safety Partnership to provide a summary of the available resources in the City and report this at a future meeting of the Area Panel.

One-way Street – Empress Road

A petition from residents of Empress Road was received at the last meeting of the Area Panel, which requested that the street was made one-way. It was reported at the Meeting that a petition from residents had been investigated in 1998/99 and at that time the request was refused. Neil Palfreyman, Traffic Engineer, reported that traffic surveys had been repeated following the request made at the last area panel meeting. These surveys had indicated that there had been little change of vehicle numbers since the request was first looked at in 1999. As concluded previously the Council considered that the benefits of introducing a one-way system would be outweighed by the likely increase in vehicle speed and transfer of traffic to Breedon Hill Road.

Councillor Fareed Hussain stated that he considered that traffic volume had grown in the last 5 years and said that he was appalled at the way this request from the public had been dismissed. He stated that he lived on Empress Road and while he accepted that parking was a problem

and had pointed out previously that the sharp bend on the road meant that oncoming traffic was obscured. He considered that the case should be looked at again as there were many complaints received from members of the public. He requested that the Officers review this situation again and report back to the next meeting of the Area Panel with a more comprehensive report.

Councillor Kalia commented that since Breedon Hill Road was a one-way street traffic automatically travelled down Empress Road and was the cause of the volume of traffic in the adjacent street.

Neil Palfreyman, Traffic Management Engineer reported that Traffic Surveys had been repeated and that this was not anecdotal evidence and had been compared with previous results. He reported that despite concerns, no injuries or accidents had been reported and that it was necessary to balance the perceived problems in the street with those of real need and prioritise accordingly. He emphasised that people would still need to exercise caution as one-way streets could result in people increasing their vehicle speeds.

A member of the public was concerned that he felt that the Officers of the Council were making the decisions rather than the elected members and felt that it was poor that until a serious accident occurred that anything would be done in this street.

Neil Palfreyman assured the member of the public that the Council was not waiting for people to be injured before they acted and would not wish to compromise safety and that the result of the surveys carried out demonstrated this. Councillor Fareed Hussain commented further that it should not just be reported traffic incidents that were taken in to account when deciding on whether to make the street one-way but that the Council needed to consider the inconvenience of the residents living in the street.

Councillor Nath requested that this item should be referred back to the Highways Department and found it unacceptable that just because no serious accidents had been experienced that a problem did not exist.

Resolved to ask the Director of Development and Cultural Services to investigate the issue and report to a future meeting of the Area Panel.

Petition – Peartree Area Improvement Project, Leacroft Road

Matthew Hands, Area Renewal Manager reported on this petition which was received from residents of Leacroft Road at the last Area Panel Meeting. He emphasised that Leacroft Road was not removed from a planned improvement scheme and that it had never been in any plan to be in an improvement area.

He reported that Martin Gadsby, Private Sector Housing Manager had written to the Lead Petitioner and would wish to know where this incorrect information had come from. Martin Gadsby offered to meet with the residents to discuss this matter further if they wished.

He reported that the Council's extensive and long running programme of housing improvements in parts of the Pear Tree and Rosehill areas had been completed.

32/03 Public Question Time

The following issues were raised by the public during public question time.

Crossing at Sainsbury's Island, Kingsway

A member of the public enquired why this item did not appear on the update sheet for the Area Panel. He was concerned that this issue had not been resolved at the last meeting.

Resolved to put this item back on the updates and to continue to pursue the matter.

Shrubberies on corner of Wilson Street and Gerard Street

A member of the public reported that he had telephoned the Council to complain about the lack of visibility as a result of shrubbery extending across the pavement. He understood that the shrubbery was owned by Stockbrook Street Housing Association and requested that the panel ensured that the shrubbery was cut back.

Resolved to ask the Area Panel Manager to respond at the next meeting of the Area Panel.

Arson Incidents, Boyer Street

A resident of Boyer Street reported incidents of children causing vandalism in the street and that a car had been set alight.

Inspector Gary Parkin responded by assuring the member of the public that work was being done by the Police and the Local Housing Office at Stockbrook Street. He reported that 3 beat officers operated in the area and asked the member of the public to give him details of the alleged incidents so that he could investigate them further. He also assured the member of the public that the police were looking at how to tackle the problems in the medium to long term.

Inspector Parkin stated that there were 90 Peartree officers who could respond to immediate incidents and that calls were prioritised and

responded to as quickly as possible in that order.

Antisocial Behaviour on Havelock Road

Several residents of Havelock Road expressed concern over a number of incidents of antisocial behaviour in Havelock Road. The residents had kept a diary of events and had taken photographs of items of vandalism, which were shown to the panel. Sarah Edwards invited the Lead Speakers to talk to her privately about the incidents and subsequently made a commitment to the residents that she would support them to try to solve the issues by working with Inspector Parkin, Councillor Williamson and other relevant agencies.

Councillor Williamson commented that he had called for a meeting between the Police, Housing Officials and residents of Havelock Road to develop a plan of action to tackle the issues. Inspector Parkin reiterated this.

Sarah Edwards invited the lead speakers to talk to her privately about the incidents and subsequently made a commitment to support Ward Councillors and the residents to set up a meeting to try to solve the issues by working in partnership with the Police, the Anti-social behaviour team and other relevant agencies.

Removal of Telephone Boxes in the City

A member of the public asked why there had been a perceived reduction in the number of public telephones in the city. She commented that this had been done without prior consultation with the public. She also requested a Police report on vandalism of telephone boxes.

Councillor Burgess responded that the reason why telephone boxes would be removed would be due to antisocial behaviour and vandalism. This resulted in pressure from the public to remove the boxes.

Inspector Parkin responded to the vandalism question. He reported that detection rates of vandalism to telephone boxes was poor and that there were rarely witnesses or CCTV footage of incidents upon which the Police could act.

Hartington Street

A member of the public commented that it had been 8 months since work had started on Hartington Street and they wished to know how much had been spent to date and on which projects.

Resolved to ask the Area Panel Manager to provide a response at the next meeting of the Area Panel.

Car Park on Coleman Avenue and Warwick Avenue (adjacent to Normanton Park)

A member of the public reported that residents of these roads were regularly kept awake in the early hours of the morning by loud noise and music made by people using the car park. He reported that several agencies in the City were aware of this issue and had considered putting a barrier on the car park at night to tackle this. He understood that the Antisocial Behaviour Team were going to put a barrier up and wished to know why this had not been done to date.

Councillor Kalia commented that if the Police and the Antisocial Behaviour Team were aware of the situation as reported by the member of the public then he could not see why the barrier had not been erected.

Another member of the public asked if the same could be done at the entrance to the park on Chatsworth Street, which was related to a petition heard later in the meeting.

Resolved to ask the Director of Commercial Services to investigate this issue and report back to a future meeting of the Area Panel.

Proposal that Wilmorton College was to build a new site

A member of the public referred to an article that had been published in the Derby Evening Telegraph, which reported that Derby College would be building a new site at Cathedral Road and Willow Row.

Councillor Lowe reported that he was aware that outline planning permission had already been obtained for the site. This matter would be investigated and reported back to the next Area Panel.

33/03 Petitions

To Receive New Petitions

A new petition was received from a resident of Duesbury Grange which was part of a new housing estate off Trowels Lane. The lead petitioner addressed the panel and set out his opposition to the proposed alleyway, connecting Duesbury Grange and Rowditch. He had also reported concerns and opposition to the traffic calming measures that were planned for Duesbury Grange.

Resolved that Neil Palfreyman would look into the issues raised and provide a full report to a future meeting of the Area Panel.

To Consider Petitions Received Since the Last Meeting

Street Care Issues on Swinburne Street

A petition was presented by Mr Forbes a resident of Swinburne Street who reported that they wished proper attention to be given to the following matters, which were in serious neglect, in order to improve the quality of life of the residents:

- Relocating street lamps
- Trimming trees and lower branches
- Street Cleaning
- For the Police to enforce the access only restriction which was considered to be ignored by motorists daily who used the street as a “rat run”.
- To paint a clear no entry in the roadway at the Mill Hill Lane end of Swindburne Street
- To clean out blocked drains
- To remove graffiti from the wall of no.19
- To institute and maintain an ongoing program of street care.

Councillor Fareed Hussain responded by saying that he supported the petitioner.

Resolved that Sarah Edwards would look into the various issues to try to identify potential sources of regeneration funding and respond to a future Area Panel meeting.

Park Gates at the end of Chatsworth Street

The lead petitioner, Mrs Braidley attended and addressed the Area Panel. She reported that residents of Chatsworth Street had discussed the subject of the Park Gates at the end of the street and expressed a wish requesting that the gates should be re-erected for a number of reasons including aesthetics, safety and heritage. She reported that the park was used by children and dog walkers. She reported that when the gates were destroyed the residents of the street were disappointed and many had requested to sign the petition to have the gates replaced.

Councillor Burgess stated that it would cost £15,000 to complete the work and that there may be some Normanton regeneration area funds available in order to do this. He suggested that it could be found from the *Renaissance* fund and committed to submit this request to Councillors of two wards as the street sat on the boundary. He further reported that if the *Renaissance* funding application was successful it would be known by the end of March 2004.

To Consider Responses to Petitions Received

One-way system for Stockbrook Road and Westbury Street

Councillor Ann Jackman presented the petition as, though invited, the lead petitioner did not attend the meeting. It was requested by residents of Stockbrook Road and Westbury Street that a one-way system be installed for traffic to travel up Stockbrook Road and down Westbury Street. Councillor Jackman stated that some of the issues raised by these residents were similar to those of Empress Road, which had been raised in an earlier item in the meeting.

Councillor Burgess endorsed Councillor Jackman's view and stated that road traffic accidents should be reported, however minor, as he considered that if minor incidents were eliminated then potential larger ones could also be avoided. Councillor Burgess envisaged that the Officers needed to consider this in their response to the petition.

A member of the public commented that she did not think that this was exactly the same situation as Empress Road as she did not think a one-way system would help the problem as cars would still be parked on the street and buses would continue to travel along it.

Neil Palfreyman, Road Traffic Management Engineer responded to the petitioner by stating that this situation was similar to that of Empress Road and probably many streets in Normanton. He reported that when the assessment was made of whether to make the street one-way the various problems were looked into. He emphasised that it was not just a matter of erecting signs and that a definite process had to be carried out in order to decide whether or not to make a street one-way.

Councillor Fareed Hussain stated that he could not recall a time when so many Councillors had supported a petition and suggested that maybe the criteria of assessment for whether a street should be made one-way should be changed and that the Council should not be restricted by the work of the Officers.

Councillor Burgess responded by asking the public to bear in mind that the Officer was being paid to do his job to advise the Councillors that ultimately it was the elected Councillors who made the decisions.

Resolved to ask the Director of Development and Cultural Services to investigate this issue and report to a future meeting of the Area Panel.

Parking on Sutherland Road

Mr Harrison of Sutherland Road presented a petition, which requested that parking on Sutherland Road remained as it was and that the residents views on the Home Zone improvement be listened to. The

lead petitioner gave a number of reasons why they did not want the parking on the street to be changed and listed a number of reasons which included:

- 50% less parking space
- Locating wheeled bins
- Disabled Access
- Reduction in house prices
- Problems cleaning cars
- Motorist leaving cars on the pavement if they cannot find a space
- Fumes from exhaust pipes would filter into coal cellar grates if diagonal parking were permitted
- Telephone pole positioning would bring them 4 feet from residents' front windows
- Contractors would not be able to drop off materials, tools and equipment.
- Reversing out of diagonal parking bays into an access road would be hindered
- Pedestrians would have to dodge car bumpers on the pavement
- The road could be a target for dumping cars and setting them alight

With regard to this last point Mr Harrison drew the panel's attention to an article in the Daily Mail newspaper, which identified an incident where a vehicle had been set alight and was extremely close to houses in the street. Neil Palfreyman, Traffic Management Engineer responded by stating that there were no proposals for the Home Zone improvements in Sutherland Road and that the purpose of the Home Zone was that residents took part in the development. A number of residents of the street who were at the meeting expressed their opposition to the Home Zone project.

Zone Improvements in the Cameron Road

A petition against zone improvement proposals for Cameron Road was presented which included similar issues to that of the previous petition. Residents of Cameron Road considered that their concerns had not been listened to and wanted more parking on the street, not less.

Councillor Burgess assured those people present that their views would be made known to the Council Cabinet member responsible. He stated that people's issues had to be taken forward through the channels of the Council and that decisions could not be made by the Area Panel.

34/03 New Health Facilities

Mike Goodwin, Director of Development, Central Derby Primary Care Trust – PCT presented a briefing document to support the proposal to develop primary and community health care services in the Central

Derby PCT Area. He reported that Central Derby PCT proposes to build a new Primary Care Centre in the Austin Estate Area of Derby, to provide services to patients from Normanton and Sinfen Wards.

A consultation had been commissioned and the key aims would be to involve and engage local people in identifying local health needs as well as expressing their ideas for service design and delivery. The aims of the community consultation included:

- To widen participation to those who do not normally take part
- To enable local communities to express their ideas and aspirations fully and creatively
- To provide a culturally appropriate programme of public consultation that maximises the involvement of the affected population in planning their own future
- To ensure local healthcare provides increased patients satisfaction and a strengthening of public confidence in the NHS
- To raise awareness of the proposed LIFT developments and gain community 'ownership' of the new developments
- Ensure feedback to the consulted population takes place

The development of a new Primary Care Centre in the Austin Estate area was part of the first step towards delivering the vision of a modern primary care service within Derby City.

The Austin Estate Primary Care Centre would be a purpose built facility located on the site of the former Village Community School, in Village Street, Derby. The site would be accessed via Browning Street.

The design of the new centre would:

- Significantly improve the patient journey
- Provide an inviting and welcoming environment for the patients and their carers
- Allow greater flexibility in working arrangements
- Allow further communication in the working arrangements
- Allow potential for working closely together
- Give greater control and management of patients within the building
- Allow more efficient services to be provided

The report also outlined proposals for Primary Care Provision in the Normanton Peartree Area and Sinfen.

A Primary Care and Rehabilitation Community Facility is planned for a part of the Derbyshire Royal Infirmary Site that would be vacated as Acute Hospital Services concentrate on the City General Hospital Site.

The following services were anticipated as part of the proposals:

- Substantial GP Primary Care Centre
- Walk-In Assessment and Treatment Centre (7 days a week)
- Potential Out of Hours Primary Care support and NHS Direct
- Derby Medical Services and NHS Direct
- Derby City Intermediate Care Services
- Allied Health Professional accommodation to enable direct patient assessments and treatment

The report outlined the range of the activities the PCT intended to pursue and a timetable of events.

Comments on the consultation could be sent to:

Richard Mullings
Public Health Strategy Manager
Central Derby PCT
Derwent Court
1 Stuart Street
Derby
DE1 2FZ

Resolved to note the presentation.

35/03 Culture and Prosperity Review of Culture in Derby

The panel considered a report of the Chair of the Culture and Prosperity Commission advising of the Commission's intention to conduct a review of culture in Derby. The principal objective of the review was to try to improve the match between the cultural services that the Council provided and those that the public wanted. As part of its review the Commission had taken evidence from a wide range of cultural service users and providers. This evidence would be used in preparing the Commission's recommendations to Council Cabinet.

The panel were advised that members of the public could express their views of the cultural services that the Council provided by:

- contacting David Romaine, the Commission's Co-ordination Officer on Derby 255598 or write c/o room 137 at the Council House
- filling out the tick sheet attached to the report and hand in when leaving the meeting or posting to David Romaine at the address above
- attending an informal meeting with the Commission in the Brunswick Public House on Station Approach on 7 January 2004 starting at 7pm.

A member of the public stated that they worked for the Millennium Network and asked if the Commission had contacted them about this work.

David Romaine responded that they had not yet, but would be keen to hear from them and asked her to e-mail him.

A member of the public asked what strategy was in place to seek the views of young people in the City. David Romaine responded that two schools in the City (Bemrose Community School and Leesbrook Community Sports College) would be taking part in drama workshops to feedback what young people thought of culture in the City and suggest what could be done to improve it.

Resolved to note the report.

36/03 Area Panel Budget Proposals 2003/04

Applications for Area Panel Funding

A report of the Assistant Director of Community Policy was considered which updated the Panel on the amount of funds available within the budget and set out details of four applications for funding which had been received, three of which were key decisions, as follows:

- To consider whether to support the application received from the Bal Sanskar group to provide cultural classes and organise social activities for Hindu children to encourage them to learn about their culture and cultural diversity. Grant requested - £2,399.
- To consider whether to support the application received from Derby City Council, for lighting for the second Eid in February 2004. Grant requested - £600.
- To consider whether to support the application received from St Chad's Church of England (Controlled) Nursery and Infant School for a Smart Board and projector, chairs, blinds and other equipment to improve community facilities at the school. Grant requested £4,666.
- To consider whether to support the application received from Youth Can UK – YCUK, to support a one-day motivational workshop/community event. The seminar would encourage young Black and Asian young people – including the socially excluded to understand, unlock and maximise their potential. Grant requested £2,500

Options considered

The Panel assessed the applications for funding against the agreed criteria and assessed the applications for funding against priorities.

Decisions

- 1 To note that the application for lighting for the second Eid in February 2004 had been withdrawn as the money had been found from mainstream funding.

Reason

Councillor Burgess stated that in 2002 money had been granted through Area Panel funding as a one-off occurrence for this festival. It had been decided that future festivals would be funded through the Council's mainstream budget.

Key Decisions

- 2 To award grants to the following applications:
 - St Chad's CE (Controlled) Nursery and Infant School for equipment to improve facilities. - Grant £518 towards the cost for 40 folding chairs.
 - Youth Can UK for a motivational workshop to teach and encourage Black and Asian young people. – Grant £600, which would consist of £200 from each of the three wards in the Area Panel.

Reasons

- 1 The applications met the criteria for Area Panel Funding.
 - 2 The applications provided a service in response to needs of local residents as raised at the meeting.
 - 3 They contributed to improvements, which would provide a benefit to all residents.
 - 4 They were capable of rapid implementation, and could have a significant impact in a short time.
- 3 To defer the decision on the following application:
 - Bal Sanskar cultural classes and activities for Hindu children.

Reasons

- 1 More information relating to the work of the group was requested
- 2 Evidence of how the project would benefit the children who lived in the Area Panel wards was requested.

37/03 Arrangements for the Next Meeting

Agreed

- 1 To note that the next Area Panel 3 would be held at 6 pm on Wednesday 21 January 2004 at Peartree Community School, Peartree Street, Derby.**
- 2 To appoint Councillor Ashiq Hussain as Chair.**

MINUTES END