

MACKWORTH NEIGHBOURHOOD BOARD

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 6 May 2009 at 6.00pm at the Diocesan Centre

Present:

Councillor Higginbottom	Derby City Council (Chair)
Councillor Tuplin	Derby City Council
Nathan Lucas	Enthusiasm
Emma Tidbury	Derby Homes
Helen Faulconbridge	Neighbourhood Team
Pete Matthews	Neighbourhood Team
Inspector Richard Keene	Police
Lester Pendrey	New Zealand Resident
Mandy Coons	New Zealand Resident
Richard Gerrard	Mackworth Resident
Paul Pegg	Mackworth Resident
Judy Kelsall	Mackworth Resident
Terry Rogerson	Mackworth Resident
Laraine Tuplin	Derby PCT

Apologies: Councillor Baxter
Zoe Nettleship
Jasvir Bahth

01/09	WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS & APOLOGIES The Chair welcomed those present and introductions were made.	Actions
02/09	DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL AND / OR PREJUDICIAL INTEREST Paul Pegg declared an interest in the funding bid from Mackworth St Francis football team.	
03/09	LATE ITEMS No Late Items	
04/09	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING & MATTERS ARISING 04.1 Accuracy The Minutes were agreed to be a true record.	

	<p>04.2 Matters Arising</p> <p>Viking Centre It has been reported in the media that the Viking centre will be a centre for autistic children</p> <p>Birdcage Walk Estates Department at Derby City Council are currently looking at planning permission for a change of use for the building into residential use. Richard Gerrard stated that it would be appropriate for it to revert back to social housing and be managed by Derby Homes due to the current demand for social housing. The Board agreed they wanted this view to be expressed to Estates Department.</p> <p>Performance Reports A performance report was circulated to all Board members. Pete Matthews explained the report and asked if the Board members felt the report was sufficient. Pete requested that any improvements Board members wanted to see to the report could be raised at the next meeting.</p> <p>Visit to Derwent Youth Centre No Board members were available to attend the visit to the centre due to other commitments. Pete Matthews stated he had visited the facility and if members were interested an evening visit could be arranged</p> <p>Letter to Cabinet member for Highways Councillor Higginbottom stated she had made contact with the Cabinet member for Highways re the issue with the road surface on Cheviot Street. She had been advised that Cheviot Street had been identified to be assessed by Highways with a view for repair work to be carried out.</p> <p>Lester Pendrey questioned whether a barrier could be installed on the bend at Cheviot Street as an accident had taken place where a car had gone through the resident's wall. Pete Matthews stated he would contact Highways re this issue.</p> <p>Councillor Tuplin stated that the Cabinet Member for Highways has agreed to attend the next Mackworth Forum on 16 June 2009.</p>	<p>Pete Matthews to send letter / email to Estate's Department re the Boards view</p> <p>Board members to feedback at next meeting</p> <p>Pete Matthews to arrange an evening visit for Board members</p> <p>Pete Matthews to contact Highways send the ward Councillors a copy of the correspondence</p>
05/09	<p>Police Issues</p> <p>Inspector Keene presented crime statistics for the ward to the Board. He advised that the Safer Neighbourhood Team shift patterns had been changed to ensure that Officers are available on Friday nights due to this being the most problematic time relating to issues with young people and</p>	

	<p>alcohol. Test purchasing will be taking place at the identified problematic off licences within the ward, and all the off licences have been spoken to by the Safer Neighbourhood Team.</p> <p>A Church Watch Scheme has been established in the ward by the Safer Neighbourhood Team.</p> <p>A distraction burglary took place in the ward on 5 May 2009 and the Safer Neighbourhood Team have been out and spoken to the residents in this area and given advice on crime prevention.</p> <p>Inspector Keene stated that there had been a break in at St Francis Church the previous day and two males had been arrested for this offence and had been given final warnings.</p> <p>Councillor Higginbottom questioned why only two people had been arrested for the incident when 3 were involved?</p> <p>Inspector Keene stated that the third person did not enter the building and the two individuals who had been arrested admitted to the offence.</p> <p>Councillor Higginbottom questioned whether professional judgement/ restorative justice could have been used on this occasion so the individuals could be made to repair the damage they caused?</p> <p>Inspector Keene stated that it can be used in such circumstances but on this occasion final warning were issued.</p> <p>Paul Pegg stated that he felt the section 30 was not being used as there was a recent where by 30-40 youths were on Knightsbridge Park causing problems and they were not dispersed. He also stated that there are issues with the current Safer Neighbourhood Team as the young people on the estate openly state they have no respect for the Police Officers. He stated that he did not feel restorative justice/professional judgement was appropriate to be used in the case at St Francis Church as an individual had damaged a tile on the church roof on 1 May 2009 and was made to repair the damage they had caused. This individual was later then involved in a further offence of criminal damage. Paul stated that he felt all agencies who work within the ward need to be accountable to the Board for the work they carry out.</p> <p>Inspector Keene stated that the crime statistics for Mackworth did not reflect what Paul Pegg had stated as crime in Mackworth is at an all time low. He stated that it would not be appropriate to discuss individual Officers performance at the</p>	
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	<p>Board but any concerns which were raised would be discussed with the sergeant of the Safer Neighbourhood Team. Inspector Keene stated that he felt the Police response to the incident at St Francis Church was a good response.</p> <p>Paul Pegg stated he had an issue with the youths on Knightsbridge Park and why was the Section 30 not used to disperse the youths? Councillor Higginbottom asked Inspector Keene if he could respond at a later date if not at the meeting as to why it was not used?</p> <p>Inspector Keene stated that Section 30 was being used effectively in Mackworth and the method of use when there is a large group congregating is to Section 30 the ringleaders and not the whole group, this would then lead to a referral being, made to the Anti Social Behaviour Team for the individuals which are given a Section 30 warning. Inspector Keene stated he would bring the statistics relating to the number of Section 30 warnings issues in Mackworth to the next Board meeting.</p> <p>Pete Matthews stated that in response to Paul's comment about agencies that work within the ward being accountable to the Board, that he felt there were a number of agencies working within the ward which were doing excellent jobs such as Enthusiasm and they could provide reports to demonstrate this.</p> <p>Nathan Lucas stated that they are funded to work Friday nights in Mackworth and had a contract which required them to cover Stockbrook, Mackworth and New Zealand areas. They work with 50 individuals who are at risk of offending within the area which are referred to them by a number of partners such as the Neighbourhood Team, Police and schools. Nathan agreed to bring a performance report / successes to the next Board meeting.</p> <p>Pete Matthews stated that if the Board members felt it would be appropriate different agencies that work within the ward could be invited to attend Board meetings to give information / overview of the work they are doing within the ward.</p> <p>Terry Rogerson stated that he felt the Police were doing an excellent job within the ward.</p> <p>Paul Pegg stated that 5 Police units did attend the incident on at St Francis Church.</p>	<p>Inspector Keene to bring Section 30 statistic to the next meeting</p> <p>Nathan Lucas to bring performance information to the next Board meeting</p>
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06/09	<p>ALCOHOL FREE ZONE</p> <p>Pete Matthews advised the Board that himself and Helen Faulconbridge would be completing the map which was required by Derby City Council's Legal Department in the next week. Once this was complete the consultation will take place within the ward and statistics will be requested in relation to alcohol related crime and anti social behaviour. Once all this information has been obtained the report will be completed and presented to Cabinet, if they approve the proposal it will be heard at full council for ratification.</p> <p>Inspector Keene stated that he had been advised that Alcohol Free Zones were now known as Designated Public Places. This was confirmed as correct and the official term is a Designated Public Place.</p>	<p>Helen to confirm whether AFZ or DPP needs to be on the signs</p>
07/09	<p>ALLOTMENTS</p> <p>Pete advised the Board that the funding bid for the allotments has been moved to the next stage. This requires a Community group to be established and consultation to take place. On Wednesday 13 May 2009 at 6.30pm at Streatham Road Common Room a meeting of all interested parties will take place. A Chair of the group, Secretary and treasurer will need to be elected. Match funding has been agreed from Derby Homes and Groundwork which brings the total budget to approximately £90,000. The local primary schools are involved along with Murray Park school. The allotments site will hold approximately 40 -50 allotments.</p> <p>Mandy Coons requested a poster advertising the allotments for the Lonny Wilsoncroft Centre. Pete Matthews stated he would pass this on to Mandy.</p>	<p>Pete to provide Mandy Coons with an Allotment poster.</p>
08/09	<p>BOARD MEMBERSHIP</p> <p>Two Board members has resigned from their positions on the Board. Glenys Stevens and Jayne Courts, this was due to other commitments. This leaves two resident vacancies on the Board. Currently we have had interest from 1 New Zealand resident and 1 Mackworth Estate resident but at this point we have not received any completed application forms. Pete requested that if anyone knew of anyone who is interested in becoming a Board member to let the Neighbourhood Team know.</p> <p>Inspector Keene suggested it may be a good idea to carry out exit questionnaire with the Board members to analyse why they resigned from their positions. This could be used to see if</p>	<p>Pete Matthews to carry out exit questionnaire</p>

	<p>improvements could be made in the way we operate.</p> <p>Pete Matthews agreed this was a good idea and the Neighbourhood Team would look into producing a document.</p> <p>Councillor Higginbottom asked the Board if they would like her to write to Glenys and Jayne in her capacity as the Chair to thank them for the hard work they had put in. All Board members agreed.</p>	<p>with ex Board members.</p> <p>Councillor Higginbottom to send letters to Glenys Stevens and Jayne Courts</p>
<p>09/09 11/09</p>	<p>NEXT YEARS PRIORITIES AND UPDATES FROM SUB GROUPS</p> <p>Councillor Higginbottom suggested that the items next year's priorities and updates from sub groups were dealt with together as they linked with each other.</p> <p>Board members agreed.</p> <p>Pete Matthews stated that last year's Board priorities would need to be reviewed in line with the work the Neighbourhood Board had completed.</p> <p>Pete gave updates from the sub groups:</p> <p>Cleaner Sub Group – A clean up day took place on 9 April 2009 arranged by the Neighbourhood Team and Enthusiasm, litter picks, fly tipping awareness and dog fouling awareness campaigns were included in this day.</p> <p>Warning leaflets designed by the Neighbourhood Board re bins on streets have been distributed by Enthusiasm on the problematic streets in New Zealand, this seems to have reduced the number of bins on streets.</p> <p>The Neighbourhood Team have been working with Claire Brandon White from the Restorative Justice Team at the Community Safety Partnership and a programme of works have been developed for the young people to carry out.</p> <p>A programme of works from Derby City Council Waste Management has been obtained with a view for the Board to monitor their work.</p> <p>MECA have arranged for Sudbury Prisoners to carry out work in the area, this is on hold at the moment due to issues at the prison.</p> <p>Waste Management will start the Enforcement process regarding bins on streets in October / November 2009.</p>	

	<p>Paul Pegg requested that a thank you letter was sent to Derby College from the Board as they have sent a letter to all students warning them not to drop litter in the ward, and this seems to have helped reduce the amount of littering in the area. Councillor Higginbottom stated she would send the letter.</p> <p>Communications sub group update – The Neighbourhood Team are currently working with IT at Derby City Council to develop the tab on the Council website which shows what is on offer in the Mackworth Ward. Currently the issue of who will keep this updated is trying to be resolved.</p> <p>Pete has contacted a group who produce directories for specific areas within Derby. They produce and distribute the directory with local information in and sell advertising space to cover costs. Pete is working with this group to see if one can be produce for the Mackworth ward. The Neighbourhood Board would incur no costs for this.</p> <p>Stronger sub group – The Neighbourhood Team are currently working with the schools within the ward through Extended Services meetings. Lester Pendrey and Paul Pegg are invited to the relevant meetings. Pete has met with the new manager of the Stepping Centre and he is keen to work within the community.</p> <p>£25,000 has been obtained by Derby Homes from WREN to implement a wheeled sport facility on Cheviot Street Recreation ground.</p> <p>A bid for £1500 has been approved by Derby Homes North West Focus Group to continue to fund the youth club on Friday nights held by Enthusiasm, this now is subject to approval by Derby Homes North Board.</p> <p>Youth Services have made contact with the Methodist Church in Mackworth with a view to relocating in the short term to this venue until the new youth centre is completed.</p> <p>New City church have been working with the Neighbourhood Team to look at locations for offering lunch clubs within the area.</p> <p>Derby Homes have taken over the management of the new build flats on Leytonstone Drive, these are to be advertised shortly with a view to let the flats.</p> <p>Working Links have taken over the contract from Workstation and will be carrying out work in the area looking at getting</p>	<p>Councillor Higginbottom to send letter to Derby College</p>
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	<p>people back to work.</p> <p>The library is on track for building work to start in July 2009 with a view for completion in April 2010. Judy Kelsall stated that herself and Paul Pegg were on the Board for the development of the new library and attend regular meetings for updates.</p>	
10/09	<p>FUNDING APPLICATIONS</p> <p>Paul Pegg declared an interest in the funding bid for Mackworth St Francis football team.</p> <p>Pete Matthews presented a budget report for the funding available for the Board for financial year 2009/10. He stated that himself and Helen Faulconbridge would be assessing the previous year's bids to ensure any funding which was allocated from the Board had been spent correctly.</p> <p>Pete asked Board members if they felt it was appropriate to set an upper limit for funding bids made to the Community budget for 2009/10, he suggested a £1000 limit. Richard Gerrard suggested that a financial limit should not be set for bids but each bid should be looked at on a case by case basis. All board members agreed to looking at bids on a case by case basis.</p> <p>Funding bid – Mackworth St Francis football team - A bid has been submitted a bid for £441.36 to help fund the team in taking part in a football tournament to be held at Pride Park. The funding will help pay the tournament admission fee and provide each member of the team with a medal. It will also provide the individuals with a new football strip for the occasion with Mackworth Neighbourhood Board on the shirt. All Board members agreed to the funding. The bid was approved for the allocation of £441.36.</p> <p>Funding bid – Action for Children - A bid has been submitted for £1000 to support the project proposal to further develop an existing outdoor play area. This will enable all children attending the centre to have an opportunity to learn and achieve in a safe environment, which will help them to be more healthy and active and encourage independence through play. All Board members agreed to the funding. The bid was approved for the allocation of £1000.</p>	<p>Pete and Helen to arrange to monitor funding bids from 2008/09</p>

