

DARLEY NEIGHBOURHOOD BOARD

DRAFT Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 27 May 2009 at West End Bowls Club, Markeaton Street, Derby

Present:	Councillor Martin Repton	- Chair
	Councillor Finbar Richards	- DCC
	Councillor John-Paul Keane	- DCC
	Lorraine Radford	- Resident
	Brian Perry	- Resident
	Roy Hartle	- Darley Abbey Historical Society
	Jasvir Bahth	- DCC, Youth Service
	Chris Morris	- DCC, Youth Service
	Jude King	- Strutts Park Residents Association
	Dot Webster	- Resident
	Neville Wells	- University of Derby
	Sgt Dave Simmons	- Police
	Pop Gill	- Neighbourhood Manager, CSP
	Stephanie Morley	- Minute Taker
Apologies:	Beverley Ann Hunter	- Chester Green Residents Ass'n
	David Ling	- Darley Abbey Society
	Chrissie Tucker	- PCT
	Inspector Keene	- Police
	Chris Wynn	- Resident

1. 09/10	WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS & APOLOGIES Cllr Repton welcomed those present and introductions were made. Pop referred members to his recent notification re Board membership, reiterating several places remained outstanding. Decisions re these will be made at Ward Committee meeting to follow at the end of this meeting.	
2. 09/10	DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL AND / OR PREJUDICIAL INTEREST None.	
3. 09/10	LATE ITEMS None	
4. 09/10	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING Accuracy The Minutes were agreed to be a true record.	

	<p>Matters Arising</p> <p>38/08 Sub Group Actions It was confirmed councillors would not lead sub-groups.</p>	
5. 09/10	<p>NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN</p> <p>Communities & Health A paper had been pre-circulated with the Agenda. Pop explained Chrissie wished to take 30 minutes to discuss this report (5a), Patient & Public Engagement in Development of PCT Primary & Community Care Strategy at the next Forum Meeting and Pop therefore requested members read this at leisure and support her at the Forum Meeting.</p> <p>Board Priorities Two months ago the Board agreed to 3 priorities for the area. Pop stated members had indicated their specific areas of interest but the Board had yet to decide what its objectives were within these 3 priority areas. He therefore requested break-out sessions for approximately 20 minutes to enable those present to start drawing up action plans for the 3 main themes.</p> <p>Members broke out into the 3 sub-groups and duly re-convened after 25 minutes. Pop explained he would collect the action plans at the end of the meeting, write up and send these out to individual members. Following on from this, each sub-group should arrange to meet up over the coming months in order to progress their respective action plans.</p>	
6. 09/10	<p>COMMUNITY BUDGET</p> <p>Papers had been pre-circulated with the Agenda and members were given an outline of the contents by Pop.</p> <p>Item 1.3 details the priorities the Board has funded during the past year. At the end of the year balances remaining stand at £1,537.91 within the Community Budget and £6,600 within the Pilot Award of £10,000. Pop has requested Cabinet consider these amounts to be carried forward to the Financial Year 2009/10 and it is hoped the outcome will be known in June.</p> <p>Item 1.5 details funding to be received for the Financial Year 2009/10, namely:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £10,000 for footpath maintenance projects • £6,000 for the Community Budget • £10,000 for Neighbourhood priorities, covering Highways & Transport, Crime and Youth Provision. 	

	<p>Footpath Maintenance Projects - £10,000</p> <p>Works to be considered could include cycle paths, grass verge maintenance, replacement of existing bus shelters or additional parking enforcement activity. Any works should ideally be commissioned by March 2010 to ensure the budget is spent by year end.</p> <p>Cllr Repton felt it important that members had an idea of costings before any decisions were made, as £10K would not go far. Pop and his fellow managers will meet with Highways & Transport on 12 June and it is hoped Highways will provide details of their own plans for footpath projects for 09/10. Once these are known Board will be able to consider funding improvements to those not included.</p> <p>As part of the University Action Plan, work is progressing towards options for the Broadway. One of the actions within this Plan was to also consider the parking available at Broadway Cottages. The suggestion has been made to convert the grass verges here to hard standing for resident parking, and costings have come to approximately £10K for this. Pop requested members consider this option for Darley's footpath maintenance project, which would additionally support the University Action Plan. Dot felt this was worth consideration as one of the cottage residents had reported the area flooded regularly.</p> <p>Cllr Repton requested Pop feed back to the Board costings for different types of work that could be undertaken for £10K and Pop agreed to do so following the 12 June meeting mentioned earlier in these Minutes.</p> <p>ACTION: Pop Gill to feed back costings for footpath maintenance projects following 12 June meeting with Highways & Transport.</p> <p>Cllr Richards felt the Board should respond to issues raised by the Forum and prioritise these and Pop agreed that, whilst this £10K was a small amount with which to tackle neighbourhood issues, it was funding the Board had not received before.</p> <p>Neville felt the Board should not commit to spending this budget too early in the Financial Year in case something arose later that required attention. Pop agreed Neville's point as valid but felt that the board should not leave it too late to secure works.</p> <p>Cllr Keane pointed out the Council were required to make good potholes and as this was the case, the Board should not consider repair of these. Pop explained however, that Highways & Transport did not have a specific budget for the repair of potholes and repairs were sometimes a long time coming. Cllr Repton felt local people had a right to know the set procedure for determining timescales for</p>	<p>PG</p>
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	<p>these sorts of works and these should therefore be written down for Neighbourhood Boards.</p> <p>Pop requested members identify individual small scale projects for this £10K of funding and Dot reiterated her wish to see the works to Broadway Cottages done.</p> <p>ACTION: Highways & Transport Sub-group to take a lead on how allocation of £10 for footpath maintenance projects be spent. To additionally take into account feedback from the Neighbourhood Forum and other Board Members.</p> <p>Community Budget - £6,000 No conditions are attached to how this £6,000 is spent. Pop reminded members' of this year's Board priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environment • Highways & Transport • People & Communities <p>and asked for members' thoughts. It was felt the projects funded in 2008/09 had covered a broad spectrum. Following discussion agreement was made that the Board would consider funding applications relating to the 3 priorities detailed at 1.6 of Pop's report (as above), alongside community involvement type activity.</p> <p>Neighbourhood Priorities - £10,000 Note was made that this funding was restricted to Highways & Transport, Crime and Youth Provision.</p> <p>Pop explained the Board could decide to tackle just one of these priorities (technically the whole £26,000 could be used for highways work). However, he added youth within Darley was another area identified as a priority and the Board could likewise use this £10K to tackle issues surrounding young people. He cited an example that Allestree Board had last year put £9,500 towards a youth club. Jasvir felt an audit of what was already available within Darley for young people could be an appropriate starting point. Cllr Repton felt the Youth Forum should be feeding back to Neighbourhood Boards such information but Jasvir disagreed this approach would suffice, explaining a more collective approach, involving for example the Police, would be more appropriate.</p> <p>Cllr Repton felt there were several very different communities within Darley in terms of socio-economic backgrounds and this needed consideration also. Pop agreed, stating there were small pockets of ASB present in the West End area and around Rivermead House, and added that perhaps some targeted work could be done to combat this.</p>	<p>Highways & Transport Sub-group</p>
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	<p>Jude felt it important to find out what the young people themselves felt about where they lived and Cllr Repton agreed, adding Jasvir would hopefully be able to feed back here via her needs analysis.</p> <p>It was pointed out that similarly, more information was needed re community safety issues. Sgt Simmons stated funding for the Community Watch Patrol van would end in February 2010 and suggested the Board may wish to fund its continuance from this date until such time further funding was secured.</p> <p>Sgt Simmons also stated Sgt Frost's team had run some very successful project in the Darley area to combat ASB following the Christmas break and the Board could consider supporting a small application from the Police to fund overtime to repeat the initiative.</p> <p>New Applications for Funding</p> <p>The Board were asked to consider the following funding applications, summaries of which were pre-circulated with the Agenda.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Portway School – Children's Music Celebration: £500 • The Roundabouts Trust UK – Homeless Football: £1,250 • Darley Abbey Cricket Club – Hire Costs: £900 • Darley Abbey Day Steering Committee: £500 • DCC Conservation – Conservation Booklet - £1,000 <p>Portway School – Children's Music Celebration: £500</p> <p>The Board formally agreed to support the above application.</p> <p>The Roundabouts Trust UK – Homeless Football: £1,250</p> <p>Cllr Repton had reservations about the application which would provide training in terms of coaching qualifications and first aid for a team of homeless footballers aiming to take part in the Homeless World Cup. Figures have not been supplied as to how many beneficiaries there would be within Darley Ward, although the team do play on Darley Park. Cllr Repton was uncertain as to the benefits to Darley and did not feel this was the best way to help homeless people.</p> <p>The Board formally requested further information on no. of direct beneficiaries of the project within Darley Ward.</p> <p>Darley Abbey Cricket Club – Hire Costs: £900</p> <p>The Club comprises 100 junior and 60 senior members and additionally hosts Derby Disabled Cricket Club. The cost of hire is £37.50 per session.</p> <p>The Board formally approved this funding application for £900.</p> <p>Darley Abbey Day Steering Committee: £500</p>	
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	<p>Jude suggested the Board may wish to request this publication advertised the Neighbourhood Forum as a condition of funding and this was unanimously agreed.</p> <p>The Board formally approved this funding application for £500, with the condition the publication advertised Darley Neighbourhood Forum.</p> <p>DCC Conservation – Conservation Booklet: £1,000 The Board formally approved this funding application for £1,000 to help towards cost of a conservation booklet.</p> <p>Recommendation The Board recommends to the Darley Ward Committee the allocation of funds of the Board for the following purposes:</p> <table><tr><td>Detail</td><td>Amount £</td></tr><tr><td>Portway Infant School</td><td>£500</td></tr><tr><td>Darley Abbey Cricket Club</td><td>£900</td></tr><tr><td>Darley Abbey Day Steering Committee</td><td>£500</td></tr><tr><td>Built Environment Team, DCC</td><td>£1000</td></tr></table> <p><i>Extract from Darley Ward Committee 27 May 2009 minutes</i></p> <p><i>The Ward Committee approves the allocation of funds of the Darley Neighbourhood Board for the following purposes:</i></p> <table><tr><td><i>Detail</i></td><td><i>Amount £</i></td></tr><tr><td><i>Portway Infant School</i></td><td><i>£500</i></td></tr><tr><td><i>Darley Abbey Cricket Club</i></td><td><i>£900</i></td></tr><tr><td><i>Darley Abbey Day Steering Committee</i></td><td><i>£500</i></td></tr><tr><td><i>Built Environment Team, DCC</i></td><td><i>£1000</i></td></tr></table> <p><i>The Ward Committee has reserved the decision to allocate funds of the Allestree Neighbourhood Board for the following purposes:</i></p> <p><i>The Roundabouts Trust Uk - £1250 on the grounds that the provision does not demonstrate benefit to residents of the Darley Ward.</i></p> <p><i>Resolved</i> <i>That the allocation of funds set out be approved by the Ward Committee</i></p>	Detail	Amount £	Portway Infant School	£500	Darley Abbey Cricket Club	£900	Darley Abbey Day Steering Committee	£500	Built Environment Team, DCC	£1000	<i>Detail</i>	<i>Amount £</i>	<i>Portway Infant School</i>	<i>£500</i>	<i>Darley Abbey Cricket Club</i>	<i>£900</i>	<i>Darley Abbey Day Steering Committee</i>	<i>£500</i>	<i>Built Environment Team, DCC</i>	<i>£1000</i>	
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7. 09/10	<p>NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM</p> <p>The papers, Community Issues Update and Information for Sub Groups had been pre-circulated with the Agenda for information, and members’ were asked to read these at leisure.</p>																					

8. 09/10	<p>FUTURE MEETING DATES / TIMES</p> <p>Quarterly Board meetings were suggested, with more regular meetings of the Sub-groups. Forum meetings to also meet on a quarterly basis.</p> <p>Jude suggested Board and Forum meetings have a longer time gap between them and this was agreed to be a good idea.</p> <p>Members agreed to the above, to continue with a meeting time of 7.00pm and for meetings to be held on Wednesdays.</p> <p>ACTION: Pop Gill to set future meeting dates and circulate.</p>	<p>Pop Gill</p>
9. 09/10	<p>DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>To be advised.</p>	