

## MACKWORTH NEIGHBOURHOOD BOARD

### Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 8 July 2009 at 6.00pm at the Lonny Wilsoncroft Centre, Stepping Lane

**Present: Present:**

Councillor Higginbottom	Derby City Council (Chair)
Councillor Tuplin	Derby City Council
Councillor Baxter	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
Jasvir Bahth	Youth Services
David Brewin	Derby City Council
Jenny Appleby	Derby City Council

**Apologies:** Laraine Tuplin

<b>01/09</b>	<b>WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS &amp; APOLOGIES</b>  The Chair welcomed those present and introductions were made.	<b><u>ACTION</u></b>
<b>02/09</b>	<b>DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL AND / OR PREJUDICIAL INTEREST</b>  Paul Pegg, Judy Kelsall & Richard Gerrard declared an interest in Item 9 – Request for Funding by MECA for Charity Shop.  Councillor Tupton declared an interest in Item 9: Request for Funding by Live At Home Scheme.	
<b>03/09</b>	<b>LATE ITEMS</b>  <b>Arthur Neal Home Update</b> An update regarding the positions re current residents and the development of the Extra Care Programme was given to Cabinet on 19.03.09. Two residents remain at the Home but both have plans to move on. Plans to accommodate current day care users are fairly advanced. The 4 bungalow tenants are being re-housed and there is a likelihood that the facility will cease to be used within the next few	

	<p>months and certainly prior to the original close date of 31.12.09.</p> <p>Feedback obtained from consultation is now being considered and plans are currently being progressed re the new development. Some tree preservation issues have been raised and these will be taken into account within the revised plans.</p> <p>Consultation on the revised plans will begin on Thursday 30 July, when a drop-in session has been arranged at Mackworth College between 11.00am and 7.00pm. The developers will be present at the session to talk through any queries people may have and it is hoped local residents will attend and comment on plans for the communal areas of the development.</p> <p>Planning will then be submitted at the end of August 2009 with a start on site envisaged for circa March 2010. Completion will be circa November 2011.</p> <p>Due to security issues, plans to demolish the current building may be brought forward.</p> <p>Councillor Baxter raised the matter of the ceremonial china currently housed at Arthur Neal Home and stated plans to remove this prior to demolition for relocation to the Council House, must be made.</p> <p>Concern was raised re the length of the grass on the Lois Ellis site, as well as the fact that trees here required cutting back, and Terry also enquired what would happen to the trees on the main site. Assurance was given that where possible, trees would be retained and work was taking place with the Council's arbourists to this end.</p> <p>Enquiry was made as to where those currently using the day care services and the facilities at Arthur Neal would go whilst the development was ongoing, and it stated facilities would be provided within alternative care homes.</p> <p>Councillor Baxter expressed concern that once the site is cleared it could be used by travellers, but was assured this would be taken into consideration when setting the demolition date.</p>	
<b>04/09</b>	<p><b>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING</b></p> <p>These were agreed as a true record. No matters arising.</p>	
<b>05/09</b>	<p><b>AGENCY REPORTS</b></p> <p>These had been pre-circulated with the agenda and their contents duly noted.</p>	

	<p><b>Youth Services</b></p> <p>15 young people from Mackworth are to leave for Osnabruk at the end of the week as part of Derby's twinning arrangements. £4,000 has been sourced to fund summer activities as well as funding for the delivery of events by Sporting Futures. Members noted MECA had very kindly sign-posted the Youth Service towards suitable funding streams for the above and thanks was duly given by Jasvir on the Services' behalf.</p> <p>Enthusiam's Summer Programme would be forwarded to members once this had been finalised.</p> <p>MECA are hoping to provide Oz-boxing at Derby College on Saturday afternoons.</p>	<b>Nathan Lucas</b>
<b>07/09</b>	<p><b>ALCOHOL FREE ZONE</b></p> <p>The zone map has been finalised and has been forwarded the Council's solicitors. Once approval has been granted these will be circulated to members as part of the consultation process.</p>	<b>Pete Matthews</b>
<b>??/09</b>	<p><b>RADBOURNE LANE DEVELOPMENT</b></p> <p>Pete had forwarded the joint views and objections re the development to Amber Valley Borough Council (ABVC) and, following on from the PCT's presentation at Mackworth's Forum meeting, has latterly mentioned concern re the lack of health facilities in Mackworth and the impact that would be made on these as well as other facilities. He additionally pointed out a significant amount of funding from the Section 106 Agreement would be required to deal with this. Ray had written to ABVC along the lines above also, and the Chair had e-mailed ABVC to state Mackworth's current infrastructure would be unable to support the housing development.</p> <p>Richard Gerrard pointed out plans were being included by the developer to put in a cycle route to the City centre, incorporating the Black Path, and has written to them to point out that if this proceeds, they will need to ensure the path is double tarmaced at their cost. Paul stated MECA had formally written to express concern re the planned cycle route from the development to Reigate School and following discussion, both he and Pete agreed the proposals would be impossible.</p> <p>Note was made the Board would also be prudent to request a portion of the Section 106 monies relating to the development of 140 houses for the College site for similar reasons.</p> <p>Pete agreed to write to the appropriate people re the Board's concern re the cycle routes and to additionally speak with Mickleave's Neighbourhood Manager re the possible impact of the development on</p>	<b>Pete Matthews</b>

	<p>their infrastructure.</p> <p>Finally, it was stated members needed to ensure everyone's efforts were co-ordinated in terms of correspondence with both AVBC and the developer, and all agreed to ensure they let their colleagues know what actions they had taken.</p>	<b>All Members</b>
<b>09/09</b>	<p><b>FUNDING APPLICATIONS</b></p> <p><b>1. MECA</b> Application for £305.94 to allow this voluntary organisation to open up a charity shop in the area, which will provide a much needed resource currently lacking in the area and help re-cycle goods to provide for needy families within the Ward. Funding required to purchase shelving and other goods to ensure the running of the shop. <b>The bid was approved for the allocation of £305.94</b></p> <p><b>2. Mackworth Live at Home Scheme</b> Application for £1,000 to provide assistance in the provision of transport.</p> <p>Pete stated a similar amount had been granted last year for the same purpose and felt the Scheme should look to seek alternative solutions such as utilising the services of Derby Community Transport. Upon enquiry it was confirmed not information had been given re approaches made by the Scheme to other funding bodies, although Judy pointed out they had just been awarded 'recognised charity' status by Sainsburys.</p> <p>Pete recommended the Board not approving this funding. <b>The bid was not approved.</b></p>	
<b>06/09</b>	<p><b>POLICE ISSUES</b></p> <p><b>New Zealand</b> ASB is down due to the focus by the Police and Enthusiasm's presence at the Lonny Wilsoncroft Centre. Two large cannabis raids have resulted in the confiscation of circa £20,000 of drugs and upon enquiry, Inspector Keene stated both 'finds' were as a result of public tip-offs.</p> <p><b>Mackworth</b> Reported crime is down to 206 cases compared with 289 for the same period last year, and there have been 11 house burglaries since the beginning of January. Criminal damage is down by 45% and a number of youths have been arrested re non-dwelling burglaries and criminal damage. A Church Watch is being set up to combat criminal damage and ASB within Church grounds, and the Neighbourhood Watch is</p>	

	<p>currently being reinvigorated.</p> <p>The Community Centre has been broken into on 2 occasions.</p> <p><b>General Report</b></p> <p>Inspector Keene reported that comparison re crime in Morley/Mackworth with other similar areas in the City showed 6 areas as being worse and 3 areas better than Morley/Mackworth, which he felt to be fairly positive. In terms of ASB, 3 Wards performed better than Morley/Mackworth in terms of crime statistics, whilst 6 were found to be significantly worse. Again, Inspector Keene found these results to be positive.</p> <p>Paul expressed concern that the number of Section 30 warnings was very high for a 6 month period, at 87. However, Inspector Keene felt the Order was there to be used and felt it was positive that this was what his officers were using the Order. The Section 30 is due for renewal in the near future and the fact that it is being used will support the renewal application.</p> <p>Concern was expressed that the Police no longer deal with noise issues, with a serious case being cited from the previous weekend. Helen pointed out residents could contact Care Link until 12.30am, who would in turn send out the Community Watch Patrol to investigate. Pete added that any noise nuisance from Derby Homes tenants should be reported to the LHO.</p> <p>A 'Have Your Say' event will take place at Derby University, Kedleston Road, on Wednesday 23 September between 10.00am and 4.00pm and all are welcome to attend. Please publicise.</p>	
10/09	<p><b>UPDATES FROM SUB-GROUPS</b></p> <p><b>Cleaner Sub-group</b></p> <p>Currently the group are looking at their priorities, one of which is dog fouling.</p> <p>A Partnership Organisation Group (POG) which brings several agencies together to work on specific problems, will be operating in Mackworth for 3 weeks in October and the Group are currently putting the area's action plan for this together.</p> <p>The CSP have £91,000 of funding for its Safer Cities initiative and Mackworth will certainly be seeking to secure of slice of this. Bins on streets will be targeted during the POG operation and youngsters will be involved in an effort to combat graffiti, via the schools. Helen is currently working with Sgt Frost to put together some systems to prevent crime.</p> <p>Inspector Keene enquired if the Police were represented on the Safer</p>	

	<p>Sub-group and it was confirmed one of the PCs attended.</p> <p><b>Stronger Sub-group</b>  The group is currently working with Ashfield and Brackensdale Primary Schools and are especially developing after-school activities. The Chair enquired if Reigate School had responded to the Group's invitation to work with them and Pete stated they had not.</p> <p>The group is working with the Youth Service (Jasvir), Enthusiasm (Carla) and the school nurses to raise awareness of teenage pregnancy and sexual health, an excellent example of using existing resources to deliver a response to the needs of the area.</p> <p>The Cheviot Street Rec proposal is still being considered by Parks but it is hoped agreement will soon be reached. The Allotment Association are having a recruitment drive outside the shops, Prince Charles Avenue, on September 5 between 10.00am and 12.00pm, at which they will be giving out tea and cakes and persuading people to support the allotments. MECA, the Youth Service and Enthusiasm are all providing activities for young people during the summer break.</p> <p>Priorities for the area have been discussed with Highways and they have been informed the road by the District Centre is of concern. To this end, Highways are arranging a survey of traffic flow here in the near future. The Board so consider how it wishes to spend the £10,000 available for works to highways and pavements in the area and Pete suggested slurry sealing on pavements (putting tar over current pavement surfaces) as a possibility. Highways are looking to road close Cheviot Street to enable re-patching of the road surface.</p> <p>The Chair requested members e-mail Pete with any ideas for the £10,000 for highways and pavements.</p> <p>Judy raised Wimbledon Road as a suggestion as the slabs here are broken and the footpath is now breaking up, which is proving dangerous. Pete agreed he would investigate.</p>	<p><b>All Members</b></p> <p><b>Pete Matthews</b></p>
<b>11/09</b>	<p><b>DISTRICT CENTRE</b></p> <p>Councillor Care had attended the last Mackworth Forum to provide an update on the District Centre. People's comments were noted and Councillor Baxter has since written to the Chief Officer of the Department concerned to reiterate public feeling. Pete requested the Councillors pushed for the Centre to be considered for improvement during the 2010/11 Financial Year.</p>	<p><b>Councillors</b></p>
<b>12/09</b>	<p><b>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b></p> <p><b>Bench, Enfield Road</b>  Paul stated this issue had been raised at the Forum before last but as yet, had not been discussed by the Board. Pete explained the Board's</p>	

	<p>role was not to make decisions on such matters. Derby Homes had taken the decision not to install a bench here and this would be fed back at the next Forum meeting.</p> <p><b>Benches on the Black Path</b> Richard added the 3 benches on the Black Path were in poor condition, having been vandalised, and requested they be reinstated. Pete explained £5,000 would have to be provided 'up-front' for maintenance costs and cleaning before this could be considered.</p> <p><b>Bull &amp; Bush Public House</b> This will re-open in 2 weeks' time.</p>	
	<p><b>DATE, TIME &amp; VENUE OF NEXT MEETING</b></p> <p>Wednesday 23 September 2009 at 6.00pm at the Diocesan Centre</p>	

### **SUMMARY OF ACTIONS**

- 1. Nathan Lucas to circulate Enthusiasm's Summer Programme to Board Members, when available.**
- 2. Pete Matthews to circulate Alcohol Free Zone map to Board Members, following approval by DCC Legals.**
- 3. Pete Matthews to write to developer / AVBC re unsuitability of proposed cycle path.**
- 4. Pete Matthew to contact Mickleover Neighbourhood Manager re possible impact of Radbourne Lane development on Mickleover's infrastructure.**
- 5. All to ensure co-ordination of objections re Radbourne Lane development.**
- 6. All to e-mail Pete re ideas for £10,000 funding ring-fenced for highways & pavements.**
- 7. Pete Matthews to investigate condition of footpath, Wimbledon Road.**