

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE ABBEY NEIGHBOURHOOD BOARD MEETING  
TUESDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 2010, 4.30 PM  
BRAMBLEBROOK COMMUNITY CENTRE**

<b>Present:</b>	Councillor Batey	- Derby City Council
	Councillor Atwal	- Chair, Derby City Council
	Councillor Lowe	- Derby City Council
	Toni Leatherland	- DCC Neighbourhoods
	Colin Avison	- DCC Neighbourhoods
	Andrew Hopkins	- DCC Streetpride
	Verica Kecovich	- DCC Neighbourhoods – Minutes
	Nishi Madan	- Derby City PCT
	Simon Keeling	- DCC C&YP
	Sergeant Nick Gamblin	- Derbyshire Police
	Alex Neave	- Derby Boxing Academy
	Carla Owen	- Enthusiasm
	Jaz Greer	- Cast Trust
	Brian Metcalf	- Derby City Council
	Libby Partridge	- Becket Children's Centre
	Asaf Afzal	- Resident
	Terri Plunkett	- Resident
	Shahban Rhemat	- Resident
	Daniel Robertson	- Resident
	Barry Reynolds	- Resident
	Kenny Sharpe	- Resident
	Gersh Subhra	- Derby University

1/10	<b>Welcome, Introduction and Apologies</b>  Apologies received from John Riley and Paula Solowij	
2/10	<b>Declarations of personal and/or prejudicial interest</b>  Sergeant declared an interest in item 8c (a) – Community Budget Application for Laser Gun	
3/10	<b>Late Items</b>  Verica Kecovich brought forward one late item - funding proposal for Partnership event on behalf of Communities sub – group. This will be dealt with under item 8 with other funding proposals.	
4/10	<b>Minutes of the previous meeting and matters arising</b>  The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as a true record and no amendments were made. Note – the order of items on the agenda was changed to accommodate officers' needs.	
5/10	<b>Highways and Transport priorities</b> Brian Metcalf presented the schemes put forward as possible priorities and gave an update on progress.	

**Manor Road/St Albans Road** – most suitable solution to the safety concerns and prevention of personal injury accidents is the introduction of a ‘bus plug’ at the junction. This will mean no right turn either way – from St Albans Road or Manor Road. Consultation with residents will be carried out in October.

Jaz Greer expressed his frustration with the length of time taken to address the issue and wanted reassurance that the scheme would be completed this time. He stressed the need for clear criteria when carrying out consultation.

Brian Metcalf gave assurance that **only** residents from St Albans Road and Constable lane would be consulted.

Rhemat Shahban wanted to know when the scheme would be completed.

Brian Metcalf envisaged that the consultation will be completed by Christmas but there is a possibility of having to repeat the consultation which could delay the completion of the scheme.

**Burton Road/Whitaker Road/Farley Road installation of refuge** – an order has been placed with Carillion and a start date expected soon. The work should take ten days to complete.

**No waiting restrictions** to protect junctions on Pelham Street/ Stockbrook Street, Uttoxeter Road/Rowditch Place and St Albans Road/Louvain Road should be completed by the end of the year.

**Proposals put forward for 2011/2011**

**Junction of St Chads Road/Overdale Road/Whitaker Road** – there was one serious injury and four slight injuries during the last three years as a result of collision accidents caused by drivers failing to stop at the junction. Brian Metcalf proposed this as one of the priorities. Simon Keeling endorsed this proposal as this would be a good way of demonstrating to the residents in the area that they are part of Abbey Ward and that they are benefiting from the Neighbourhood Board funding.

**Junction of Boundary Road/Junction Street/Uttoxeter Road** – installation of centre refuge to assist pedestrians to cross safely.

**Uttoxeter Road** – priority bus lane.

**Manor Road/St Albans Road** – Toni Leatherland proposed this as a priority.

Andrew Hopkins suggested that this should be put on the top of the list and include the comments that Board members made to

	<p>make clear it is a priority.</p> <p><b>Junction of Great Northern Road/ Old Uttoxeter Road</b> – Councillor Batey suggested this as a priority. Brian Metcalf advised that it would be best to wait until Connecting Derby scheme is completed and see what impact that has.</p> <p>Andrew Hopkins suggested that one of the proposed priorities should be a highway maintenance scheme as there is more emphasis on funding these by the council.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> Toni Leatherland to co-ordinate a meeting within the next few weeks between Board members, Brian Metcalf and Andrew Hopkins to decide the Board priorities.</p> <p><b>Highways £10k budget</b> – Brian Metcalf suggested that some of this funding should be used to deploy Speed Indicator Display units in speeding hotspot areas such as St Albans Road, Louvain Road and Whitaker Road.</p>	
6/10	<p><b>Streetpride Service</b></p> <p>Andrew Hopkins gave a brief presentation on the new service and indicated that Neighbourhood Boards may have additional £10k allocated to deal with Streetpride issues. Streetpride service standards booklet will be finalised soon and that will set out response times to reported issues as well as information about the new service.</p> <p>Andrew Hopkins, Simon Keeling and Brian Metcalf left the meeting at 5.40 pm.</p>	
7/10	<p><b>Community Learning Programme</b></p> <p>University of Derby is working in partnership with the Becket Children's Centre, Abbey Neighbourhood Board and Derby Learning &amp; Development Consortium to develop a community learning programme for local residents especially parents with young children. The funding was awarded by Tom Carey Fund.</p> <p>Gersh Subhra – lecturer at Derby University and Libby Partridge – Becket Children's Centre Manager, invited Board members to comment and put forward ideas for workshops as well as suggesting names of possible participants.</p> <p>Gersh informed the group that Derby University had delivered similar projects in Sinfyn and Normanton wards previously and these have been very successful attracting up to 15 residents at each workshop.</p> <p>Residents and agencies are being interviewed in order to pull in ideas for the six workshops that will be delivered in this</p>	

	<p>programme. The intention is to launch the programme in November and hold the sessions at Becket School bungalow.</p> <p>Carla Owen suggested that midday supervisors at Bemrose School could be potential participants. <b>Actions: 1.Gersh to contact Neil Wilkinson. 2. Verica to put an article about the project in the next Forum pack.</b></p>	
8/10	<p><b>Neighbourhood Board Budget</b></p> <p><b>a) Outturn Report 2009-2010</b></p> <p>Toni went through the Board Budget report informing the group that Highways, Youth and Community Safety budget has been allocated to projects, with £3441 left to allocate from Community Budget and £5928 from Highways Budget.</p> <p><b>b) Community Budget Funding Applications 2010-2011</b></p> <p>a) PCSO Primary Challenge – awarded full amount requested - £183.19</p> <p>b) Stockbrook Colts - awarded full amount requested - £550</p> <p>c) Firs Allotment - awarded full amount requested - £300</p> <p>d) Shadow Youth Board – Colin Avison outlined the proposal to develop a Youth Shadow Board to serve Abbey, Arboretum and Normanton Wards. Shadow Youth Board will develop its own action plan and be able to contribute towards the whole of the Neighbourhood Board agenda. Funding requested from this year's budget is £500 and further £1500 from next year's budget. Colin asked for agreement in principle to fund the Shadow Youth Board next year with amount being confirmed at a later date. Funding awarded was £500 and an agreement in principle to fund this project next year also.</p> <p>e) Partnership event - awarded full amount requested - £200 to cover the cost of additional activities at the event</p> <p><b>c) Highways and Transport</b></p> <p>a) Laser Gun to reduce speeding – lengthy discussion took place about the benefits and drawbacks of this scheme. Majority of Board members felt that this was not appropriate project for Abbey ward. Funding was not awarded.</p> <p>b) Pedestrian crossing signs at Kingsway retail park - awarded full amount requested - £500</p>	
9/10	<b>Police update</b>	

	<p>Inspector Gamblin informed the group that he is moving to another area and that he will be replaced by Richard Keene on 4 October.</p> <p>Police raid on Vulcan pub resulted in 25 people remanded in custody for drugs offences with another 25 arrest to be made. Theft from vehicles has increased in the area although four young people have been arrested few weeks ago.</p> <p>There has been some lead flashing thefts in the area.</p> <p>Police are working hard to address these issues but they need intelligence from residents.</p> <p>Operation Relentless starts on 27 September and will run for six weeks with many events being organised to tackle anti social behaviour across the city.</p>	
11/10	<p><b>Health and Fitness event Feedback</b></p> <p>Alex reported that the day went well with good attendance although mostly families and young people attended. Only two people took advantage of the head massage sessions being offered by Derby University students. Overall the event was a great success.</p>	
12/10	<p><b>Neighbourhood Forum update</b> – this item was deferred until next meeting</p>	
13/10	<p><b>Partnership Event update</b> - this item was deferred until next meeting</p>	
14/10	<p><b>Date and time of next meeting</b></p> <p>The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 7 December 2010, 4.30 pm at Bramblebrook Community Centre.</p>	