

Boulton Neighbourhood Board

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 15 September 2011, 6.30pm at Water Meadow Common Room

Present:

Councillor Frank Leeming	Derby City Council (Chair)
Councillor Ranjit Banwait	Derby City Council
Councillor Barbara Jackson	Derby City Council
Andrew Mellors	Neighbourhood Manager, Derby City Council
Win Buchan	Local Resident
Thelma Bradshaw	Local Resident
David Bilton	Local Resident
Joe Russo	Local Resident
Insp. Kam Bria	Derbyshire Police
Zoe Nettleship	Streetpride, Derby City Council
Tony Gascoigne	Traffic and Transportation, Derby City Council
Ian Drury	Streetpride, Derby City Council

21/11	Welcome, Introductions and Apologies Councillor Frank Leeming welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made. Apologies for absence were received from Pearl Swann and Jonathan Till.	ACTION
22/11	Declarations of Interest and/or Prejudicial Interest There were no declarations of interest made.	
23/11	Late Items Councillor Leeming confirmed that there were no late items to be considered, although board members did note that the two agenda items relating to Highways and Streetpride would be brought forward on the agenda to allow longer discussion and allow visitors to leave early after presenting / discussing the issues highlighted. Board members NOTED the update and AGREED that the relevant items be brought forward.	
24/11	Minutes of the Previous Meeting and Matters Arising The minutes of the previous meeting held on Thursday 16 June 2011 were AGREED as a true record. It was considered that matters arising had all been dealt with since the previous meeting and that they would be covered / discussed as part of agenda items throughout the meeting.	

	Board members AGREED the minutes and NOTED matters arising as indicated.	
25/11	<p>Community Budget applications</p> <p>Andrew Mellors introduced this report confirming that there was one community budget application to be considered from 7 Steps Judokwai and that Brenda Adams and Simon Fuller were both present from the club to talk about their application in more detail. Board members were advised that the budget currently available was £7168.84 which included a confirmed carry forward of £2168.84 from the previous year (2010/11). Board members were also reminded that as a guide, amounts awarded should usually be between £50 to £1000 although more could be awarded at the board's discretion.</p> <p><u>7 Steps Judokwai</u> - Brenda and Simon introduced themselves and highlighted a number of key issues about the club and answered a number of questions including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long-established club that currently operates out of Field Lane Community Association, although has been in previous locations • Key aim is to teach Judo to British Judo Association standards • This is their first funding application and they have not applied for funding elsewhere • Majority of people come from the ward, but some outside – will look at funding from other boards as well • Do have safeguarding and other related policies in place and named officers to deal with these issues • Would be receptive to any additional assistance in terms of identifying other funding sources • Essentially, funds will be used to provide equipment and possible training for coaches <p>After a lot of discussion, board members AGREED to award £1000 towards the application.</p>	
26/11	<p>Local Transport Plan Neighbourhood Priorities</p> <p>Tony Gascoigne, Sustainable Transport Group Manager introduced this report to assist Board members in determining proposed priorities to be put forward for possible inclusion in next years Local Transport Plan (LPT3).</p> <p>After briefly explaining the process for this year, Tony reviewed proposals from the previous year and confirmed that action had taken place against both proposals put forward within the current years programme; installation of dropped kerbs across the ward as identified and pedestrian accessibility at junction of Nunsfield Drive / Shardlow Road, which in fact had just been completed. Suggestions for possible priorities next year were then reviewed in detail, with it being explained that the list was not exhaustive and that the summary of potential</p>	

	<p>priorities had been determined from a variety of different sources including Highways officers, Neighbourhood Boards/Forums, Councillor enquires and general enquires from local residents.</p> <p>Proposals were reviewed and discussed in detail by board members. As part of these discussions, it was highlighted that the board had already started a programme of tackling pavement issues across the ward, following a similar approach towards dropped kerbs and that this was a regular issue raised across the ward. It was also pointed out that the issue of a crossing at Merrill Way was a concern that had been raised on numerous occasions but that it also impacted on Chellaston Ward and that this issue should be raised with them as potentially a joint priority. Consideration was also given as to whether or not any of these could be funded via the other budgets available to the board and whilst it was considered that pavements could be, costs for Merrill Way would be prohibitive and that on this basis and due to the concerns raised it should be the main priority. Consideration was also given to which pavements should be prioritised should this be agreed as a priority. In response to this it was confirmed that Tony Gascoigne could provide details of costings for identified pavements and that the board should look to identify the equivalent of around £30,000 worth of work. After discussions and taking points raised into account, the following priorities were AGREED:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Merrill Way – pedestrian crossing improvements 2) Pavement repairs <p>In addition it was also AGREED that an approach be made towards Chellaston board to put forward the suggestion of Merrill Way as a joint priority and that Tony Gascoigne provide details of costs to councillors so that listed pavements could be costed, assessed and ultimately a decision made as to which pavements should be included within the pavement priority.</p> <p>Board members NOTED this report and AGREED actions as detailed.</p>	<p>AM</p> <p>TG</p>
<p>27/11</p>	<p>Streetpride Devolved budget 2012/13</p> <p>Zoe Nettleship from Streetpride introduced this report, detailing the need for Board members to consider possible issues/actions to be included within the Devolved Streetpride budget for the next financial year. In order to encourage discussion and suggestions for possible inclusion, a ‘shopping list’ of suggestions was circulated to board members and examples were highlighted as to how the monies could be spent. Board members briefly discussed these before focussing on dropped kerbs and pavement repairs.</p> <p>Board members noted that in the previous year, and following the approach adopted and discussed in the previous agenda item, that a decision had been made to focus on outstanding dropped kerbs across</p>	

	<p>the wards. All outstanding dropped kerbs had now been completed (or are about to be completed) this year and only newly raised concerns were outstanding. As the board had now turned its attention towards completing outstanding pavement repairs, as discussed previously on the agenda, it was agreed that this approach should continue. After reviewing a list of outstanding pavements and taking into account those pavements likely to be put forward as a priority for LPT3, the following were agreed to be funded via the £20K Streetpride budge:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Slurry seal pavement – Gilbert Street, £12861.83 • Slurry seal pavement – Medina Drive, £6805.20 <p>In addition, it was agreed that any funds remaining should then be put towards funding dropped kerbs at the junction of Medina Close and Bembridge Drive which would come out of this years £10K Highways, Young People and Community Safety Budget .</p> <p>Board members NOTED the report and AGREED spend as detailed.</p>	
28/11	<p>Boulton Neighbourhood Board: Funding Update</p> <p>Andrew Mellors presented this report to the Board highlighting current spend against available budgets. Board members were advised that following the decision on the previous discussion to fund dropped kerbs at the junction of Medina Close and Medina Drive, that the £10K Highways, Young People and Community Safety Budget had now been spent, leaving only the Community Budget available.</p> <p>Board members were asked to encourage local groups to make applications and to consider spend against identified priorities for this budget so that further awards could be made, should further applications not be forthcoming.</p> <p>Board members NOTED the report and AGREED spend as detailed.</p>	
29/11	<p>Big Lottery Update</p> <p>Andrew Mellors presented this report to Board members and updated on progress with the Big Local fund awarded to Allenton (£1 million over ten years). Board members noted that the fund will be run via a Community Development Foundation led consortium which will set up a new organisation (Charitable Trust) to administer and deliver the programme over the period of the award, with funds being able to provide a mixture of grants, social investments, loans and support to local organisations.</p> <p>It was further confirmed that the programme will be driven by local residents and local organisations/groups and that an initial steering group has been set up to look at publicising this opportunity and gathering local residents views on key issues / priorities within Allenton. This has included applying to the Community Development Foundation for £30K to undertake initial identified work. Once this second phase of</p>	

	<p>the programme is completed, and an action plan has been developed, funds will then start to be released to address the issues raised. A key element of the next few months would be to seek local resident's views, get more residents directly involved and ensure strengthened linkages to the Neighbourhood Board. Board members were also advised that currently Joe Russo (Board member/Enthusiasm Trust) and the Neighbourhood Manager were involved in the Steering group and would continue to report back as appropriate.</p> <p>Board members NOTED the report.</p>	<p>AM/JR</p>
<p>30/11</p>	<p>Neighbourhood Update</p> <p>Councillor Frank Leeming introduced this report and invited board members to update on activities relevant to the board from all partners. Several items were noted including:</p> <p><u>Neighbourhood Manager</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on issues from the recent Neighbourhood forum (1/9/11) • Over-view of the Neighbourhood Bus and usage by the Board. As part of this discussion, Board members noted that any bookings for the bus should go through the Neighbourhood Manager to ensure appropriate co-ordination with Enthusiasm. At this point it was suggested that it would be good if the bus could link in with an event being held by Derby Homes at the Allenton Housing Office, 2 – 4.00pm on Tuesday 25 October. Andrew Mellors confirmed that he would liaise with Enthusiasm to see if the bus was available and if so, ensure a booking was made. • Review of Section 106 quarterly monitoring. It was confirmed that the latest information had been circulated amongst board members and although there were no monies directly identified for Boulton ward, Board members may like to look at surrounding areas which may have an impact on the ward and make any comments as appropriate. Board members agreed to do this and forward any comments to Andrew Mellors. • Update on the Local Development Framework Core Strategy. Board members attention was drawn to further workshops around this issue and a request was made for volunteers to look at this and provide comments on behalf of the board. Board members to notify Andrew Mellors of interest. <p><u>Police/ Community Safety</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Last three months for Boulton very good • Core crime areas – down; theft of metal a concern but following national trends rather than a localised issue • ASB down significantly; also burglaries • Has been an increase in lower level criminal damage <p>Invitation made to Win Buchan to accompany Cllr Banwait around</p>	<p>AM</p> <p>ALL</p>

	Allenton to review area; as is an area largely unknown to Winnie. Board members NOTED the report.	WB
31/11	Date of next meetings Board members NOTED the dates of the next meetings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neighbourhood forum – 1 December 2011, Noel Baker School • Neighbourhood Board – 15 December, Water Meadow Common Room 	