

Time commenced – 6.30pm
Time finished – 7.32pm

**AREA PANEL 1
(CHADDESSEN, DERWENT, OAKWOOD AND SPONDON WARDS)
8 MARCH 2006**

Present: Councillor Latham (Chair)
Councillors Ahern, E Berry, P Berry, Bolton, MacDonald, Rawson,
Redfern, Roberts, Smalley and West

Derby City Council and Other Officers:

Sara Allmond – Constitutional Services Officer
Ruth Hardy – Youth Worker
Adam Hind – Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service
Jody Kirkpatrick – Constitutional Services Officer
Rachel Levy – Constitutional Services Officer
Pete Matthews – Derby Homes
Richard Smail – Area Panel Manager
Police Constable Spencer – Derbyshire Constabulary
Sergeant Tapp – Derbyshire Constabulary

18 Members of the public were in attendance.

56/05 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Brown.

57/05 Late Items to be Introduced by the Chair

There were no late items.

58/05 Declarations of Interest

Councillors E Berry and P Berry declared a personal prejudicial interest in Item 8 as they were members of the Spondon Community Association and that Councillor E Berry was the Chair of Spondon Youth Initiative. Councillors Ahern, Bolton and MacDonald declared a personal prejudicial interest in Item 8 as they were the applicants.

59/05 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 11 January 2006 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

60/05 Petitions

There were no new petitions received.

There were no petitions to consider since the last meeting.

There were no responses for petitions received.

61/05 Area Panel Updates

Graffiti and Vandalism on Perth Street

A member of the public wished to thank Councillor Rawson and Inspector McLaughlin for the speed in which graffiti in the local area has been cleaned

Croft Wood Railway Line Improvements

Councillor Rawson stated that discussions had taken place with residents and Derwent Councillors to gain support and find ways to improve the path..

Sussex Circus Zebra Crossing

A member of the public wished to thank the Derwent Councillors for repairing the broken zebra crossing column. Councillor Redfern noted that other columns in the city needed repairs.

Mobile Phone Mast Oakwood

Councillor Smalley stated that this was an ongoing issue but that the pre application was being worked on at the moment.

Welcome to Spondon Signs

Spondon Improvement Committee wished to thank the Spondon Councillors for the help with the Welcome to Spondon signs.

Damage to Lights on Lodge Lane Footpath Footpath

Councillor P Berry confirmed that the damaged lights were not Derby City Council's property but were the Highways Agency responsibility and their contractor had been informed.

Anti Social Behaviour South Avenue

Councillor E Berry commented that there was still interagency work ongoing, but was disappointed that a Section 30 order was not planned. Sergeant Tapp stated that the anti social behaviour issues have moved between Spondon and Oakwood. The Police were aware of the concerns and have been present in the areas until midnight and over the weekends which has made a difference. They were also looking at other methods to encourage the youths to participate in community activities.

RU Recycling Plans

Councillor P Berry wished to thank Spondon Against Traffic Chaos for their help in the planning application being withdrawn.

Resolved to note the report.

62/05 Public Question Time

The following questions were asked by members of the public:

Facilities for Youth in Derwent Ward

A member of the public asked what was being done to improve facilities for youths in the Derwent area, and if the Derwent Ward councillors had any innovative ideas.

Councillor Redfern commented on the New Deal Youth Inclusion Group, which provides a gym, football, basketball and even canoeing on Carsington water.

The member of the public responded by asking how the children can access these facilities and how much would they cost.

Councillor Redfern said that this was a concern with children who didn't want to engage, as a considerable amount of work has been done including lots of schemes at Da Vinci which would include school leavers.

Councillor Roberts said that there was still Section 106 money owed to the area which had been outstanding for several years which should provide facilities for young people.

Councillor Rawson said that the New Deal had undoubtedly been a great source of funding for projects in Derwent and that they had set aside money for a portable BMX and Skateboard Park, and that a new young peoples building was to be built on Wiltshire Road. He said that it would be good to provide a service for young peoples with a number of different projects being looked at.

Information from the Police

A member of the public asked the Panel why it took so long for him to receive a response to a query from the Police. Sergeant Tapp offered to speak to the member of the public after the meeting.

It was agreed this was a personal issue and to refer this question to Derbyshire Police to respond directly to the member of the public.

Breadsall Hilltop Section 106 funding

A member of the public asked if anything could be done to speed up the process of receiving the Section 106 money.

Councillor Roberts responded that the Director of Corporate and Adult Social Services was actively dealing with this issue.

63/05 Area Panel Budget Proposals 2005/06

A report of the Director of Community Safety Partnership was considered which set out details of six applications for funding which had been received.

It was reported that the first application was from the Derwent Councillors. They were seeking a grant of £2,224 towards fencing at Ringwood Close.

The second application was from Spondon Community Association. They were seeking a grant of £2,584 towards the Chapel Street Project Spondon.

The third application was from Spondon Councillors. They were seeking a grant of £1,500 towards the Welcome to Spondon signs.

The fourth application was from Spondon Youth Initiative. They were seeking a grant of £1,500 towards youth club equipment.

The fifth application was from Oakwood Community Association. They were seeking a grant of £3,575 towards car park improvements.

The sixth application was from Springwood Leisure Centre. They were seeking a grant of £2,000 towards the car park lighting.

Options Considered

The Panel assessed each application for funding against the agreed criteria and priorities.

Decision

- 1 To award a grant of £2,224 to the Derwent Ward Councillors towards fencing at Ringwood Close. Chaddesden Ward Councillors agreed that £235.00 of their allocation would be a loan to Derwent Ward Councillors until the next financial year.
- 2 To award a grant of £2,584 to the Spondon Community Association towards the Chapel Street Project.
- 3 To award a grant of £1,500 to the Spondon Councillors towards the Welcome to Spondon signs.
- 4 To award a grant of £1,500 to the Spondon Youth Initiative towards youth club equipment.
- 5 To award a grant of £2,308 to Oakwood Community Association towards car parking lighting.
- 6 To award a grant of £1,250 to Springwood Leisure Centre towards car park lighting. A further £250.00 may be given from further consideration of this application at a future meeting.

64/05 Health Briefing from Primary Care Trusts

A 'Briefing on Health Services' paper was considered.

Resolved to note the information about health services contained in the briefing paper.

65/05 Arrangements for the Next Meeting

Resolved to note that the next meeting would be held on Wednesday 7 June 2006 at Cherry Tree Hill Junior School, Sunny Grove, Chaddesden.

The Panel wished to thank Councillor Brown for all of his hard work and time dedicated to the residents of Area Panel 1.

Chair of the next ensuing meeting
at which these minutes were signed~~MINUTES END~~