

NORMANTON NEIGHBOURHOOD BOARD

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 22 March 2010 at Austin Neighbourhood Base, Browning Circle

Present:	Councillor H Dhinsa	- Chair DCC
	Councillor Amar Nath	- DCC
	Stuart Felce	- Neighbourhood Manager
	Liz Reedy	- Community Safety Officer
	Phil Rees	- Derby Homes
	Trevor Lamb	- Resident
	Inspector Nick Gamblin	- Police
	Jill Lamb	- Resident
	Dave Lamb	- Resident
	Pam Thindal	- Derbyshire Fire & Rescue Service
	Charan Rattu	- Resident
	Jackie Wyper	- Resident / Community Friends
	Gopa Nath	- Surtal Asian Arts
	Nanda Savage	- Resident
	Bin Kumar	- Community Pharmacist
	S A Walters	- Youth Service
	Carla Mathurin	- Resident
	Sajda Kauser	- PCT

Apologies: Councillor Chris Williamson DCC
Balbir Rattu
Neil Barber

11/10	WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS & APOLOGIES	<u>ACTIONS</u>
12/10	DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL AND / OR PREJUDICIAL INTEREST Pam Thindal declared an interest in Item 8.	
13/10 13/10/1	LATE ITEMS Parking Outside Medical Centre. Trevor expressed concern re parking here. Traffic wardens do patrol when they are able but this is still causing considerable problems. Trevor therefore enquired if it would be possible to look into making part of the field by the school into a car park for the Centre. The Chair explained the land in question was in the school's ownership and discussion had already taken place re	

<p>13/10/2</p>	<p>using this for some kind of community facility. He added the parking issue needed to be raised with the Department of Health. Stuart stated the school was amenable to selling off their lower field and Section 106 funding will be available for a community facility here. He suggested enquiry be made as to whether a portion of this land could be used for a car park. Trevor reiterated the problem was directly as a result of the new Medical Centre and felt this should be taken into consideration.</p> <p>1. ACTION: Stuart to arrange an update from Asset Management for next meeting</p> <p>Board Newsletter This has been recalled following Constitutional Services upholding a complaint received regarding the Chair's front page article, as this was contravened the code of conduct for political party members in an election period. Jackie expressed her extreme disappointment regarding the Newsletter's withdrawal as 3 months' work had gone into its production and furthermore felt the article had not been political. Phil enquired whether production costs could be recuperated and this was not known. Pam asked if the Newsletter could be circulated once the local and General Elections were over. However, Stuart explained it was not the article that was in question, but a question of a breach of the Code of Conduct. The Chair stated Neighbourhood Boards could only have Chairs who were councillors and stated he had not been approached about this problem whilst it was being investigated.</p> <p>Councillor Nath stated the incident was regrettable and enquired whether Constitutional Services had been approached for advice on editorial matters. He also enquired why an archive photograph had been used (with a Labour emblem on display) rather than one of the photographs taken at the Board's last meeting.</p> <p>Following discussion it was agreed the Chair would enquire who had made the complaint and to enquire about reimbursement of the costs of the withdrawn Newsletter. The Chair also agreed to enquire whether there was a set procedure regarding the production of Newsletters and in particular, with regard to editing.</p> <p>ACTION: Chair to enquire about complaint / reimbursement of costs for Newsletter / existence of policy for newsletter production.</p>	<p>Stuart Felce</p>
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14/10	MINUTES OF LAST MEETING & MATTERS ARISING	
14/10/1	<p>Accuracy Present - Sajda Kauser and Nanda Savage had been present at the meeting. Present – Gopa Nath had forwarded apologies. Page 6, 8/10/1 – Belvoir had been incorrectly spelt.</p>	
14/10/2	<p>Matters Arising 3/10/1, Page 2: Carrier Bags The cost for 500 long-handled carrier bags is £500. These would be used to replace plastic bags in local shops, a strategy that has worked in Spondon. Here, contributions had been requested although the bags were offered for free. It was agreed the bags purchased by the Board should be of good size and Councillor Nath additionally suggested having the Board's logo printed on one side, with the reverse sponsored by local traders so that the cost of the bags would be recuperated.</p> <p>Following discussion it was agreed the Communications Sub-group would progress this project on the Board's behalf.</p> <p>ACTION: Communications Sub-group to progress carrier bag project.</p> <p>3/10/2, Page 2: Street Access for Fire Tenders Pam agreed to forward her list to Stuart as soon as this became available.</p> <p>ACTION: Pam Thindal to forward street access list to Stuart Felce.</p> <p>5/10, Page 6: ASB, Normanton Park Work is taking place in partnership with Kicks and 2 funding applications have been submitted to enable provision of Kickzs programmes in Normanton Park. Following discussion it was agreed a sub-group be formed to progress the Community Kicks project further, Carla Mathurin, Pam Thindal and Steve Walters agreed to sit on this. It was additionally agreed to invite representatives from Abbey and Blagreaves Neighbourhood</p>	<p>Communication Sub-group</p> <p>Pam Thindal</p>

	<p>Boards to be involved in this project also.</p> <p>ACTION: Stuart Felce to invite representation from Blagreaves and Abbey Neighbourhood Boards to be involved with Community Kickzs Project.</p> <p>ACTION: Community Kickzs Sub-group to progress project prior to next meeting.</p> <p>6/10, Page 5: No. 32 Bus Service Stuart has now updated the lead petitioner, who is in agreement with no further action being taken. Councillor Care had been invited to this meeting to discuss this issue but had given her apologies due to prior commitments. The Chair therefore requested she be invited to a future meeting as and when necessary and this was agreed.</p> <p>ACTION: To invite Councillor Care to future meetings, where necessary.</p> <p>8/10/1, Page 5: Mobile Speed Sign An alternative sign which can be mounted on a lighting column is suggested as this is cheaper and slightly smaller. Stuart is meeting with Balfour Beatty next week to discuss this further. The estimate cost of these is between £2,200 and £2,500.</p> <p>Following discussion, the Board agreed for funding to be carried over to the next financial year regarding these, and approved the purchase of as many signs as possible with the available money.</p> <p>8/10/1, Page 6: ASB to Rear of Guru Ravidas Liz has made a site visit and it was stressed that any problems needed reporting to the Police and Liz added the CCTV camera was only being turned on after 1.00pm. They have therefore been advised to ensure it is on 24 hours per day.</p> <p>Inspector Gamblin stated the site was not known as problematical to the Police.</p> <p>8/10/1, Page 6: Potholes, Belvoir Street Highways will continue to monitor.</p> <p>9/10, Page 6: Event 13 March re Working with Young People Carla had attended and reported the event had been informative. Councillor Nath had not attended as no papers had been forwarded to him prior to the day.</p> <p>Carla explained Neighbourhood Boards elsewhere in the city</p>	<p>Stuart Felce</p> <p>Community Kickzs Sub-Group</p> <p>Stuart Felce</p>
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	<p>included young people within their meetings and that this was being encouraged for all Boards. Stuart enquired whether the Youth Service would be able to help Normanton Board with this and Steve stated this would be in order. Pam also suggested young people be invited to the Kickz Project Sub-group.</p> <p>ACTION: All to approach young people's group known to them re involvement on Neighbourhood Board.</p>	All
15/10	<p>POLICE UPDATE</p> <p>Inspector Gamblin was pleased to report a 90% reduction in calls to the Police re prostitution in the Ward following Operation Scarlet. A crack house has been closed down in Portland Street, at which one of the largest heroin dealers in the area lived, a 3 month Closure Order having been obtained. A local man has been charged in connection with 6 robberies and is currently on bail for a further 13. The Police now have bikes which is making patrols of the area far easier and an under 9's football team is being developed which is also creating a user group for the Community Centre. A meeting regarding this is taking place on 22 April at 4.00pm and all are invited to attend.</p> <p>Councillor Williamson is currently trying to get an over flow car park organised at Village Street School in order to improve congestion at drop-off / pick-up times.</p> <p>Reported ASB on Normanton Park has decreased.</p>	
16/10	<p>ADDACTION</p> <p>No report given as Jo Stevenson was not in attendance.</p>	
17/10	<p>NORMANTON HEALTH SOCIAL ENTERPRISE</p> <p>Bindu Kumar reported on this initiative which is being planned by himself and 3 other community pharmacists and will be located in the Old NACRO building opposite the Sikh Temple. Bindu felt this was needed as certain health issues were problematical amongst his community, e.g. obesity, sexual health and alcohol abuse issues. Their service would be more anonymous than a visit to a GP, with drop-in sessions and general health care promotion and self help.</p> <p>Funding to set up has been applied for and Bindu and his colleagues have requested guidance from the PCT on how to proceed with the initiative. Discussions have also taken place with Addaction and several GPs and nurses are happy to be involved</p>	

	<p>with the project (although the PCT is a little less so). Feedback from community leaders has also indicated the facility would be welcome.</p> <p>Upon enquiry, Bindu stated the initiative would be run by a multi-disciplinary team, but stressed it was a new concept which would evolve with time. The Chair felt there was certainly a need for this type of facility and thanked Bindu for coming along and telling members about it.</p> <p><i>(Bindu Kumar and Inspector Gamblin left the meeting at 7.45pm.)</i></p>	
18/10	<p>NEIGHBOURHOOD MANAGER'S REPORT</p> <p>This had been circulated with the Agenda and was duly noted.</p> <p>Stuart requested a further £250.00 be allocated towards the cost of CCTV and members unanimously agreed to this proposal.</p>	
18/10/1	<p>Budget Under Spend</p> <p>Environmental Signage for Bin Collection Days (Pam Thindal declared an interest in this item) This would cost £1,100.00.</p> <p>Carla enquired if signs would be in English only and Stuart confirmed this would be the case. He added however, the possibility of putting in a couple of lines in other languages stating whom to contact for further help, could be looked into. Pam added that street wardens were visiting all households in order to let residents know when their bin collection days were and the signs were a mop-up, over and above this exercise.</p> <p>Unanimously agreed to fund in full.</p> <p>Private Lane Alley Way Clearance, Cameron Road This would cost £610 and the Neighbourhood Manager did not support this request, received from Environmental Services.</p> <p>Unanimously agreed to decline application.</p> <p>The Board were asked to consider applications for the remaining underspend from the Contingency Planning Fund.</p> <p>Make A Difference Dance Project - £440.00 Unanimously agreed to fund with the proviso that residents within the Normanton Board's area be informed of this activity, with</p>	

	<p>promotion within and outside local schools and in community centres, plus evidence of sustainability of the project once funding allocation is spent.</p> <p>Seek Diabetes Awareness - £1,000 Provisional approval sought for full approval in new financial year. Funding has also been sought from Arboretum Neighbourhood Board. Members felt evidence of support for this initiative by the PCT would be required prior to approval being given to fund and Councillor Nath expressed concern regarding a database of members being collated.</p> <p>Unanimously agreed to decline application.</p> <p>Neighbourhood Board Newsletter - £233.00 Additional funding, (to that previously agreed), for Normanton News.</p> <p>Unanimously agreed to fund in full.</p> <p>Remaining £3000.00 Under spend Unanimously agreed to allocated to Kickz Community Project on Normanton Park.</p>	
19/10	<p>FUTURE BOARD & FORUM MEETINGS</p> <p>These were noted and agreed.</p>	
20/10	<p>DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>Monday 7 June 2010 at 6.00pm, to be held at Austin Neighbourhood Base. The Neighbourhood Manager gave his apologies in advance and it was agreed that Liz reedy would deputise at this meeting.</p>	

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2. **Chair to enquire about complaint / reimbursement of costs for Newsletter / existence of policy for newsletter production.**
3. **Communications Sub-group to progress carrier bag project.**
4. **Pam Thindal to forward street access list to Stuart Felce.**
5. **Stuart Felce to invite representation from Arboretum and Abbey Neighbourhood Boards to be involved with Community Kickzs Project.**
6. **Community Kickzs Sub-group to progress project prior to next meeting.**

- 7. Stuart Felce to invite Councillor Care to future meetings as necessary.**
- 8. All to approach young people's group known to them re involvement on Neighbourhood Board.**