

Boulton Neighbourhood Board

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 14 December 2011, 6.30pm at Humber Close Common Room

Present:

Councillor Frank Leeming	Derby City Council (Chair)
Councillor Ranjit Banwait	Derby City Council
Andrew Mellors	Neighbourhood Manager, Derby City Council
Jonathan Till	Derby Homes
Pearl Swann	Local Resident
Win Buchan	Local Resident
Thelma Bradshaw	Local Resident
David Bilton	Local Resident
Insp. Kam Bria	Derbyshire Police

32/11	Welcome, Introductions and Apologies Councillor Frank Leeming welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made. Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Barbara Jackson, Joe Russo and David Bilton.	ACTION
33/11	Declarations of Interest and/or Prejudicial Interest There were several declarations of interest made relating to funding applications and it was AGREED that these would be taken when relevant applications were being discussed . Board members AGREED to this process.	
34/11	Late Items Councillor Leeming confirmed that there were no late items to be considered, however it was suggested to the Board that due to the number of representatives in attendance to discuss their funding applications, that these be considered first and that there would be changes to the agenda running order. Board members NOTED the update and AGREED that the relevant funding applications be brought forward.	
35/11	Community Budget applications Andrew Mellors introduced this report confirming that there were several community budget applications for the board to assess. Board members were advised that the budget currently available to spend was £4481.04 and that applications received were in excess of this amount. It was also confirmed that there were two other suggestions linked to priorities	

that the board could consider. 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. To facilitate this process, it was also suggested that all applications be considered first and that the Board then discusses awards afterwards. Board members AGREED to this process.

Boulton Community Forum – Representatives from the group introduced themselves and gave a brief verbal outline of their application. The group is relatively new, has not applied for funding before and essentially is aiming to involve more local residents in their group. Two distinct aspects to their application were outlined; a community trip for families and the setting up of 'craft and chatter sessions' for local residents. Board members asked several questions in relation to the application which were answered during the meeting.

Field Lane (Alvaston) Community Association – Vic Venus introduced himself and outlined the application from the Association. Essentially two elements to the application were highlighted both of which were designed to improve the centre; the replacement of bollards outside the centre to improve health and safety considerations and the refurbishment of the kitchen at the centre. Through discussion, it was confirmed that the Association now runs the building and that Derby City Council which previously managed the building has no responsibility to complete this work. Out of the two aspects, the replacement of bollards was confirmed as the top priority.

Merrill College – Scott Eley from Merrill College and Richard Astle from Derby County in the Community introduced themselves and gave an over-view of their application which relates to an out-of-school footballing programme / sessions aimed at engaging young people in positive activities. The relationship with Derby county in the Community was discussed along with links to other local service providers such as Enthusiasm. It was confirmed that any funding received would enable the sessions to take place and that match funding would also be sought from elsewhere.

Upbeat Community Dance – Jenny Hinton introduced herself and gave a brief overview of Upbeat Community Dance and their application to take local young people to a showcase event at Rolls-Royce. This would involve several weekly classes at local schools leading up to the event in March 2012. Several Board members confirmed that they were already aware of the group and the opportunities that they give to young people and indicated that they were very supportive of the work undertaken. Board members asked several questions in relation to the application, all of which were responded to on the night. One key issue that was identified related to a similar application to Chellaston board, which although following a similar model i.e. working towards an 'event' was on a different day and did not involve the same schools.

	<p>Each of the groups were thanked in turn for attending and after each had left, all of the applications were considered and potential funding awards were discussed. As part of these discussions, declarations of interest were taken from Kam Bria in respect to Merrill College and Pearl Swann in relation to Upbeat Community Dance. After discussing each of the applications in detail the following awards were AGREED by the Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boulton Community Forum - £850 towards their application, on the condition that the funding is used for the development of the 'craft and chatter sessions'. • Field Lane (Alvaston) Community Association - £1000 awarded towards the cost of replacing bollards outside the centre. • Merrill College - £1000 towards support for the football sessions • Upbeat Dance Community - £720 towards the showcase event at Rolls-Royce. <p>Andrew Mellors confirmed that the total amount awarded was £4570 and that there was now £911.04 in the Community Budget remaining.</p> <p>Board members NOTED the report and AGREED awards as detailed.</p>	
36/11	<p>Boulton Neighbourhood Board: Funding Update</p> <p>Andrew Mellors presented this report to following on from the discussions related to the Community Budget. It was re-confirmed that there was now £911.04 remaining in the budget and that there were two further requests to consider. These being:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Litter bin on Holbrook Road - £269.48 • Litter pick kit - £30 <p>After discussing both of these requests the Board AGREED to fund both and it was confirmed that there was now £611.56 remaining ion the budget.</p> <p>Board members NOTED the report and AGREED awards as detailed.</p>	
37/11	<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.</p> <p>Several items were noted including:</p> <p><u>Police/ Community Safety</u> – Inspector Kam Bria</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Performance across the whole of the Derby East area was very good and in particular Boulton was probably performing best within this • Overall Crime down by 12.5% • Recently, dwelling burglary (i.e. theft from houses) and theft from 	

	<p>non-dwelling burglaries (i.e. sheds) were both considered an issue alongside theft of metal – although this was an issue across the whole city.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To combat the issue of theft of metals, vans had been targeted for carrying unlicensed materials and that this was having an affect • In terms of year to date figures against crime types, all were performing well. , with criminal damage in particular being very positive as this was often linked very strongly with ASB. In terms of year to date figures, 64 offences had been report this year, compared to 75 for the previous year. • Drugs offences had gone up , but again pleasingly all cases reported had been detected. • Overall, there were 48 fewer offences reported year to date than the previous year. <p><u>Neighbourhood Manager</u> – Andrew Mellors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brief update given on Big Local and board members encouraged to help promote and encourage friends, neighbours and other local residents to get involved. <p>Board members NOTED the report.</p>	
<p>38/11</p>	<p>Minutes of the Previous Meeting and Matters Arising</p> <p>The minutes of the previous meeting held on Thursday 15 September 2011 were AGREED as a true record.</p> <p>It was considered that the majority of matters arising had all been dealt with since the previous meeting and/or during the meeting. The following points however, were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 26/11 – Chellaston Neighbourhood Board had agreed to strongly support the Merrill Way proposal for inclusion as a priority with LTP3 • 30/11 – Enquiries had been made in relation to the Neighbourhood bus attending Allenton Housing Office on Tuesday 25 October, but had been unavailable <p>Board members AGREED the minutes and NOTED matters arising as indicated.</p>	
<p>39/11</p>	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>Frank Leeming as Chair introduced one item of any other business, which was to confirm that following a re-structure of Neighbourhood Management across the city that the current Neighbourhood Manager, Andrew Mellors would be leaving Boulton ward and that from the New Year, Richard Smail would take over the role. Furthermore, it was confirmed that Andy was leaving the authority on voluntary redundancy and the Board wished him well for the future.</p>	

40/11	Date of next meetings Board members NOTED the dates of the next meetings as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Neighbourhood Forum – 1 March 2012, Boulton Primary School• Neighbourhood Board – 15 March 2012, Water Meadow Common Room	
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