

DERWENT NEIGHBOURHOOD BOARD

Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 3 July 2013
Community Room, Max Road.

Present

Councillor Margaret Redfern	Derby City Council
Councillor Dave Roberts	Derby City Council
Insp Paul Cannon	- Derbyshire Police
Catherine Felber	- Resident
Sarah Hallam	Resident
Revd Romita Shrisunder	St Philip's and St Marks
Pete Matthews	Derby Homes

In Attendance:

Richard Smail	- Neighbourhood Manager, Neighbourhoods, DCC
Ruth Hardy	CYP Youth Worker, DCC
Janet Holland	Derwent Stepping Stones (part)
Rosie Hallam	Observer
PC Nicola Sketchley	Derbyshire Police

Apologies

Councillor Martin Rawson	Derby City Council
Steve Astle	Derby Homes
Emma Falivena	Operational Coordinator, Locality 1&5 Children's Centres, DCC
Raymond Smith	Resident
Jonathan Footitt	Resident
Daniel Eardley	Youth Club Member
Kieran Mansell	Youth Club Member
Matthew Morgan	Youth Club Member
Thomas Rawson	Youth Club Member

1/13	WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS & APOLOGIES Welcomed by the Chair and introductions were made. Insp Cannon was welcomed to his first Derwent Board meeting since he took over as Section Inspector for Derby North the previous week. Apologies were received as outlined above.
2/13	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None
3/13	LATE ITEMS Funding proposals from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Derwent Stepping Stones • Sussex Circus Improvements
4/13	MINUTES OF LAST MEETING The minutes were agreed as a true record of the meeting.
5/13	MATTERS ARISING NOT ON THE AGENDA 32/12: Councillor Redfern to check that Scouts do deliver to all Derwent residents. Done, confirmed all properties Catherine Felber to coordinate the event in 2014. Ongoing, to arrange for March 2014 Richard to find out more details of which locations had 2 skip deliveries. Done. Richard to confirm actual costs against allocated budget. Done, £1,141

	<p>underspend from Skips and bulky waste projects</p> <p>34/12: Richard Smail to amend the Neighbourhood Plan accordingly and record updated information against the priorities, the project/activities and actions and share at the next Board meeting – done Stickers - to identify locations where to use. Jonathan Till to produce list and attach where stickers are suitable</p> <p>36/12: Richard to get quotes as requested for Dorchester Avenue. Done Board to identify locations for additional cleansing enhancements. Not done, no funding allocated</p> <p>38/12: Richard Smail to submit section 106 comments to officers. Done</p> <p>39/12: Richard Smail to confirm future dates and share with Board members. Done. Richard to consult with Councillors to consider changing Board date from 23 October</p>
6/13	<p>Travellers in Derwent Ward</p> <p>Discussion about the encampments on Racecourse and Cattle Market. Included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • impact on the racecourse – safety concerns, proximity to homes and schools, litter, waste, dogs, intimidation, mini motos/motorbikes, • how accessed site – by ‘removing’ a bollard • Police role – daily presence, seized mini moto, visited the school to reassure in response to concerns • Council role – legal guidelines followed to arrange leave the site, engagement with travellers early on, Park rangers cleaning litter daily (but not from with travellers caravan encampment) regular monitoring • ways to prevent – further site visits arranged and solution is to provide new more secure fencing at front, additional heavy duty locks and cctv. Work starts as soon as leave the site. • impact on the Cattle market – disruption to markets, waste, intimidation, • ways to prevent - 24hour security in place while travellers being moved from Racecourse to prevent immediate move back to cattle market, Police attendance to support <p>Concerns raised by Catherine Felber about the poor level of litter picking service provided by the Council to clean the racecourse, including full weeks when no litter was collected. She expressed concern about her personal safety when litter picking and walking on the racecourse. Councillors Robert explained about health and safety considerations and that large quantities of litter and waste have been removed almost daily by the Rangers. Councillor Redfern commented on how clean the area was when she had visited the site. Catherine advised not to put herself at risk by litter picking or walking in locations where she knows there maybe risks. Council staff will follow health and safety advice and will not put themselves at risk. Insp Cannon reassured the Board that he has a lot of experience working with travellers and that his officers will be providing both a proactive and reactive response to concerns relating to the travellers. He confirmed that working together in partnership is the key to preventing access, reassuring the public when travellers are on site and to removing them from a site.</p> <p>He outlined that there is a need for all the services who have a responsibility to take action to be coordinated.</p> <p>Richard Smail confirmed there is a Travellers protocol in place which is constantly being updated to take account of new ways of working and changes in personnel. There was a need to tighten up on the ‘dog control’ with more input from the</p>

	<p>Council Dog wardens. He also explained that the removal of the bollard was not deemed to be criminal damage hence no action could be taken. The Council legal team has served the order for possession and if the travellers do not leave will apply for a court bailiff to evict them. The application to the court to evict has now been made as they had not all left. The bailiff has now set a date for eviction within the next week. Councillor Roberts asked for a debrief to be arranged for the Derwent Councillors. Action: Richard to coordinate a debrief when the travellers have left the racecourse for the Derwent Councillors</p>
7/13	<p>Neighbourhood Updates on activities and progress in the ward:</p> <p>Police PC Sketchley reported that: Anti social behaviour is down compared to last year. However dwelling burglaries and criminal damage have increased. While non dwelling burglaries had been higher she was pleased to report they had reduced a lot in last month.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dorchester Avenue – residents do not want to set up a neighbourhood watch, calls for service have reduced since the new houses built, have provided some warning signs about use of bikes on local lighting columns • Sussex Circus – Only one call for service in last month. Over 400 Community Impact Statements delivered recently to assess peoples concerns about anti social behaviour in particular impact of street drinking around Sussex Circus. So far 30 returned, 4 saying there are no issues. Generally residents tolerate the drinking and only complain if begging and fighting starts. There is cctv in place, the planters being removed from the green and the proposal to provide anti sit bars aim to move the location away from the house on Mayfield road. <p>Insp Cannon confirmed that all the appropriate actions are being taken. Unless significantly more complaints are received there is not enough evidence to consider a section 30. In addition , he does not believe this to be a suitable tool on this occasion as it is not a sustainable solution to the current street drinking problem. All efforts need to focus on encouraging residents to have the confidence to complain if there is a need.</p> <p>Youth Service Ruth Hardy reported on some very successful youth club attendances. Over 200 attended the Tuesday club in Derwent during June. The numbers are so high that there is a need for more staff to be recruited. While the high numbers are welcomed, Ruth is relying more and more on volunteers to keep the clubs within their safety limits for staffing. The attendance at the other clubs are also very encouraging with over 90 attending in May on a Friday night and the Breadsall clubs having 60 and 80 attending in May and June. What's more important it is the young people who are involved in anti social behaviour and are vulnerable who are attending.</p> <p>Action: Ruth to work with Sarah and Romita on the relevant CRB checks needed to allow them to volunteer to help.</p> <p>Ruth reported the Derwent Holiday activities programme is being finalised using the Board funding and other funding from elsewhere. It will be in the same format as last year and shared with everyone when complete, including all schools and the Police. Councillor Roberts commented on how effective and useful the programme is. He regularly uses it to show people how much is being provided for young</p>

	<p>people in the ward during holidays.</p> <p>Councillor Redfern informed the Board of Ruth's achievement in winning the Council Employee of the Year award for last year. The Board expressed their congratulations and thanks to Ruth for the work she has done.</p> <p>Councillor Redfern also mentioned a Free bus trip to Skegness run by Revive and there could be spare places</p> <p>Action: Jonathan Till to see if can help promote the bus trip to fill all the seats</p> <p>Derby Homes</p> <p>Pete Matthews reported on the building work taking place at Max Road and Coniston Crescent to provide new 2 bed bungalows in the ward. The Derby Homes Housing Officers are working closely with Jonathan Till the Neighbourhood Officer. Includes work to improve Sussex Circus and remove the high planters. Derby Homes are developing a 'High Hedges' project to help tenants with their hedges and gardens. Also working with the Coop on Scarborough Rise to help revamp the shopping area. On particular improvement being requested is to provide a dropped kerb to improve access for pedestrians.</p>
8/13	<p>Derwent Board Community Budget Applications for funding</p> <p>The Board considered the following six proposals and applications for funding from the Community Budget and recommended the decisions to the Ward committee.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Skate Ramp Activity Session - agreed £450 2. Derbyshire Police, Shed alarms – agreed £250 3. Derwent Stepping Stones, Best Start Tea parties – in principle agreed £1,135 4. Langley Gates, Anti sit bars at Sussex Circus – agreed £300 5. Derby Homes, Sussex Circus Improvements to path - deferred 6. New Skate Park development – deferred <p>Skate Ramp Session - £450 agreed</p> <p>This session will be used as part of the consultation for a skate park and be included in the Holiday activities for Derwent. Proposed to use Extreme Wheels, a Wheeled Sports company from Bolsover District Council to provide a 3hour session at Roe Farm Community Centre on 19 August. There would be funding for vouchers and prizes for those taking part.</p> <p>Derbyshire Police, Shed alarms - £250 agreed</p> <p>The Board agreed to fund 50 alarms at £5 each. There have been about 70 reported shed break ins in Derwent in the last year. There is a city wide scheme in place to offer shed alarms to all victims of shed break ins since April 2013. While recognising the scheme has a backlog the Derwent SNT want to make sure local residents have immediate reassurance after becoming a victim and to reassure local neighbours by providing alarms to them when deemed appropriate. Agreed with the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to be offered/allocated to victims of non dwelling burglaries and vulnerable residents who need reassuring and are in vicinity of non dwelling burglaries as deemed appropriate by SNT. • to acknowledge funding from the Board on the alarms, • to provide a sign with each alarm, • to link to a Crime prevention pack that is also distributed by the SNT

- to report back to next Board meeting in October on progress and details of where allocated with option to request additional funding for more alarms.

Derwent Stepping Stones, Best Start Tea parties - £1,135 agreed in principle

Janet Holland explained more about the Tea parties project which forms just one part of a much larger project to progress parents living in Derwent into learning and work which will in turn support them to enable their children to be better ready for and better able to achieve in school. This has already been funded. The Best Start Tea parties element is part of another bid for funding to the Neighbourhood Learning in Deprived Communities (NLDC) fund and the childcare request for £1,135 is to be used as match funding for the NLDC application.

- The Board agreed to fund £1,135 for childcare in principle and subject to: confirmation from Stepping Stones that their NLDC application has been successful
- If unsuccessful the funding will be reallocated to other projects by the Board

Langley Gates, Anti sit bars at Sussex Circus - £300 agreed

To provide 4 metres of anti sit bars under the handrail on the ramp by Masala. Derby Homes confirmed they manage the shops and agree to the anti sit bars being provided.

Derby Homes, Sussex Circus path – agreed to defer

Derby Homes are improving Sussex Circus green area including removing the raised planters and grassing them over. The land is owned by Derby City Council but is Derby Homes responsibility to maintain and upkeep. In addition, they want to provide a formal path in place of the existing desire line from Hampshire road. The cost of a bonded concrete path is £5,325 and are asking for £2,663 contribution. There were concerns expressed about the cost and that the existing paths are slippery. The Board asked Derby Homes to reconsider the options and come back to a future meeting.

New Skate park Development - agreed to defer

The Board are aiming to construct a new Skate Park on the Roe farm Rec. Initial investigations have identified the only potential location will be on the site of the existing Multi Use games Area next to Roe Farm Community Centre. Funding has already been committed by the Board, Derby Homes and requests to use section 106 funding have been made. The proposal to allocate additional Board funding noted that the total costs could be from £30,000 or more. The Board agreed to assess the success of the consultation event on 19 August before considering allocating additional funding

Organisation	Project	Community Budget
		495
Extreme Wheels – Bolsover District Council. Roe Farm Community Centre. Neighbourhood Team	Skate Ramp session on 19 August.	£375
	Hire of MUGA at Roe Farm	£25
	Community Centre. Vouchers	£50
		£450 total
Derbyshire Police	50 Shed alarms	£250

	Derwent Stepping Stones	Best Start Tea parties	£1,135		
	Langley Gates	Anti sit bars at Sussex Circus	£300		
	Total		£2,135		
	Budget	Carry forward from 2012/13	Total budget	Allocated as at 24 April 2013	Balance
	Community Budget	Nil	£22,720	£15,898.83	£6,821.17
9/13	<p>Derwent Neighbourhood Board Streetpride Devolved Budget 2013/14 The Board agreed a Spend Plan of £19,851 in January 2013. However the Board will now have an extra £8,399 more to allocate.</p> <p>The Board considered the following six proposals from the Streetpride Devolved Budget and recommended the decisions to the Ward committee.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Derwent Free grit - agreed £7002. Dorchester ave Lighting column installation – agreed £1,676.703. Dorchester ave Lighting column energy and maintenance - agreed £2,3404. Bulky Waste – agreed £1,000 extra5. Dog fouling campaign – agreed £2046. Blyth Place handrail – rejected <p>Derwent Free grit - agreed £700 Small 3kg bags to be purchased and stored within the ward in November 2013. PC Sketchley suggested some space for bags could be used at Roe farm Police station –. Sarah Hallam confirmed some bags can be stored at her house.. Process for distribution to be confirmed. Action: Police to confirm space available and all to identify more storage places for pallets</p> <p>Dorchester ave Lighting column installation – agreed £4,016.70 with column costing £1,676.70 and energy and maintenance 2,340 Confirmed lighting column needs to be as close to in line with alleyway into Dorchester ave. Looking to see if 31,011 can be used from section 106 funding to support this project and reduce Board costs allocated.</p> <p>Bulky Waste – agreed £1,000 extra About 50% of the existing £2,000 allocated has been used since 1 April and the Board wanted to extend the service longer. The Board considered the impact of the brown bins stopping in November and requested that no garden waste can be included in the free scheme in the ‘four black bags’ item after the brown bin collections stop. Richard to confirm if this can be accommodated and the Free bulky waste leaflet will be amended accordingly.</p> <p>Dog fouling campaign – agreed £204 Three schools – da Vinci school, Beaufort and Derwent Primary schools have</p>				

agreed to produce posters. Winners to be judged by Councillor Redfern and the posters to be displayed in the community

Blyth Place handrail – rejected

Inspections of existing handrail by Highways Inspector show no health and safety defects. Cost to replace considered too expensive by the Board.

Work requested	Reason	Comment	Funding allocated
Derwent Free Grit Scheme 2013/14	To keep residents safe and moving on icy footways and roads	To provide 4kg bags of rock salt for residents where there are no grit bins provided and they volunteer to spread it for the benefit of the community.	£700
Dorchester Avenue lighting	To deter anti social behaviour	To confirm exact location of lighting column is in line with Dorchester ave alleyway. Energy and maintenance costs: £2,340 , Column costs: £1,676.70 . However, if can locate on Parks maintained land to check if can use section 106 funding of £1,011 to contribute to cost.	£4,016.70
Dorchester Avenue Bike Chicane	To deter speeding bicycles on the footpath	To confirm exact location at end of Dorchester Ave jitty	£811.49
Bulky Waste	To deter fly tipping	To allow the existing free service to run for longer. To request that no garden waste can be included in the free scheme after the brown bin collections stop.	£1,000
Dog fouling campaign	Complaints about dog fouling across the Derwent ward in particular on open spaces	Education campaign to be developed with the local schools <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gift Vouchers • 60 plain A3 corex boards • 120 cable ties • 20 boxes dog poo bags 	90.00 60.00 24.00 30.00

			£204
Total			£6,732.19
Suggestions rejected:			
Blyth Place replacement handrail	To replace existing	Inspections of existing handrail show no health and safety defects. Cost to replace considered too expensive	£1,331.60

Streetpride Devolved Budget Spend Plan for 2013/14 updated as at 3 July 2013:

Item	Work requested	Funding
1.	Extra Civil Enforcement Officers (CEO) activity in targeted areas. 30 hours @ £21 per hour	£630
2.	Projects to encourage safety around schools and reduce car use.	£2049
3.	Speed Indicating Device (SID) installations - 2 new sites	£940
4.	Street Signs 'Welcome to Derwent'	£3000
5.	Cycle training in schools	£2,732
6.	Bulky waste collection	£3,000
7.	Skip Days	£7000
8.	Improve signage at Greenway	£1000
9.	Child car seat safety campaign	£500
10.	Derwent Free Grit Scheme 2013/14	£700
11.	Dorchester Avenue Lighting: (Lighting column installation) (Energy and maintenance) or £3,005.70 if section 106 funding can be used towards the costs	£4,016.70 (£2,340) (£1,676.70)
12.	Dorchester Avenue Bike Chicane	£811.49
13.	Dog fouling campaign	£204
	Total	£26,583.19
	Balance to allocate	£1,815.81 (or £2,826.81 if section 106 funding used)

The Board noted LTP priorities for 2013/14

- Investigation and possible delivery of measures to address parking and safety problems at Derwent Schools. There were concerns about schools on St Andrews View, parking on zig zags and child casualties around Worcester Crescent
- Footway Slurry Sealing Package (i) Beaufort Avenue and if funding available (ii) Cardigan Street
- Footway Resurfacing Package (i) Berwick Avenue and if funding available (ii) Lothian Place

10/13	Section 106 Funding in Derwent.
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The Board made the specific recommendations as outlined below based on the information provided in the report

Ref No. Site and amount	Type of Works funds to be used for	Status	Officer Proposed Spend	Member / Neighbourhood Board recommendation for spend
Rhi1-01 - The Rhino, Max Road £14,330.00	Provision of improvements to public open space and/or public realm reasonably capable of serving the application site	Unallocated	The Racecourse – teenage shelter/ car park improvements, Roe Farm Play Area and MUGA improvements or Skate Park facility at Chaddesden Park	The board recommended that the priority for this funding is to contribute to provision of a skate park on Roe Farm Recreation Ground off Worcester Crescent. Linked to Peng 1-01. The Board totally rejects any proposals to use this funding for wheeled sports on Chaddesden park. More details of the officer proposals for teenage shelter/car park improvements at Racecourse and Roe farm play area and for Racecourse Changing rooms would be welcomed.
Rhi1-02 The Rhino, Max £12,130.00	Provision of improvements to or maintenance of transport facilities within the A52/Nottingham Road corridor which may include highways works, public transport,	Unallocated	None	board recommended that the priority for this funding is for improvements to the path and lighting between Renfrew St/Liverpool St and Dorchester Ave, including the installation of a chicane. A quote for the cost of a

		cycling or pedestrian facilities Road			new lighting column and a chicane is being sought.
	Rhi1-03 The Rhino, Max Road £1,011.00	Provision of or improvements to the public realm		None	No specific recommendations
	Peng1-01 Penguin Hotel £9,900.00	Provision or enhancement of off site public open space reasonably capable of serving the application site.		Chaddesden Park to improve wheeled sports/bmx facility or alternatively to support the Racecourse Changing rooms	<p>The board recommended that the priority is to contribute to provision of a skate park on Roe Farm Recreation Ground off Worcester Crescent. The funds were due to expire on 30/01/2013, and as such we would request a discussion with the developer to extend the time limit. Match funding has been provided by Derwent Neighbourhood Board and Derby Homes.</p> <p>The Board totally rejects any proposals to use this funding for wheeled sports on Chaddesden park or to improve the Racecourse Changing rooms. The Board would appreciate details of any planned improvements to the changing rooms as outlined in the officer proposals.</p>

	Action: Richard Smail to submit comments to officers
11/13	Local Transport Plan 2014/15 priorities and Streetpride spend plan 2014/15 Item deferred as meeting closed
12/13	DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETINGS The Board considered amending the next Board and forum dates due to concerns about half term. After discussion agreed the next meeting for: Wednesday 23 October 4.30 – 6.30 at Max Rd Community Room. Future dates are: 22 Jan 2014 24 April 2014 Forums - 2 October at Breadsall Hilltop Community Centre 26 February 2014 at Monmouth Youth Centre Action; Richard to share dates of future meetings with Board members

Summary of Actions 3 July 2013

6/13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Richard to coordinate a debrief when the travellers have left the racecourse for the Derwent Councillors
7/13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ruth to work with Sarah and Romita on the relevant CRB checks needed to allow them to volunteer to help. • Jonathan Till to see if can help promote the bus trip to fill all the seats
9/13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Richard Smail to confirm with Streetpride how the Bulky Waste service will be affected by the withdrawal of brown bins and how the request to not include garden waste can be accommodated. To amend flyers accordingly.
12/32	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Richard Smail to confirm new Board date and share with Board members