

Time commenced : 6.05 pm  
Time finished : 8.10 pm

**AREA PANEL 3 (ABBEY, ARBORETUM AND NORMANTON)  
20 SEPTEMBER 2006**

Present: Councillor Afzal (Chair)  
Councillors Dhindsa, Hussain, R Khan, S Khan, Lowe  
and Nath

Derby City Council and other officers:

Vickie Butler	-	Area Panel Support Officer
Sarah Dosunmu	-	Area Panel Manager
Gemma Barlow	-	Constitutional Services Officer
Rachel Levy	-	Constitutional Services Assistant
Jody Kirkpatrick	-	Constitutional Services Assistant
Inspector Henderson	-	Derbyshire Police
Mark Murphy	-	Ian Finnely Associates
Christine Durrant	-	Assistant Director – Highways and Transport

31 members of the public were in attendance.

## 14/06 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mitchell and Williamson.

## 15/06 Late Items to be Introduced by the Chair

There were no late items.

## 16/06 Declarations of Interest

Councillors Afzal, Dhindsa, Hussain, S Khan and Nath declared personal prejudicial interests in item number 12 – JET application for funding - as they had all been invited to the event and had accepted the invitation.

## 17/06 Minutes

The minutes of the Area Panel 3 meeting held on 21 June 2006 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

## 18/06 Chairs Report

The Chair provided a verbal report on current activities, progress on projects and successes in Area Panel 3.

**Agreed to note the report.**

## 19/06 Petitions

### **To receive new petitions**

Three new petitions were presented to the Panel:

St Albans Road and junction of Manor Road  
Reginald Street  
Vincent Street

**Agreed to investigate the petitions and report back to a future meeting of the Panel.**

### **To consider petitions received since the last meeting**

#### **Crewe Street Footways, Normanton**

The Panel considered a report from the Cabinet Member for Planning and Transportation that detailed a response to a petition requesting the urgent repair of the footways between Upperdale Road and Vincent Street. It was reported that the footways had been inspected and were found to be in a reasonable condition, with no defect exceeding intervention levels and were therefore considered a low priority. It was noted that the tarmac surface of the footways were showing signs of deterioration that would benefit from a slurry seal treatment.

**Agreed to note that the footways of Crewe Street would be considered for inclusion within a footway slurry sealing programme for 2007/08, and to inform the lead petitioner accordingly.**

#### **Road Parking Safety on Holmes Street**

A petition was received relating to road parking safety on Holmes Street.

**Agreed to ask the Director of Regeneration and Community to investigate and report back to the next meeting.**

### **To consider responses to petitions received**

#### **Parking Concerns – Cameron Road Home Zone, Normanton**

The Panel considered a report from the Cabinet Member for Planning and Transportation that detailed a response to a petition concerning the perceived lack of parking on Cameron Road following the construction of the Home Zone.

It was reported that the Home Zone works on Cameron Road were constructed in early 2005 using Government funding. Throughout the implementation of the scheme extensive consultation was carried out and the proposal for angled parking was raised at an early stage and deemed acceptable by the majority of

the local community.

It was noted that a comprehensive after study of all three phases of the Home Zone was being organised.

**Agreed to support the completion of the after study of the Home Zone to help evaluate the scheme against its objectives and to inform the lead petitioner of the proposed actions.**

## **20/06 Normanton Road Traffic and Transportation Survey**

The Panel received a presentation on the Normanton Road Traffic and Transportation Survey.

Councillor Nath reported that there were 25 traffic wardens working in the city and that 69 parking tickets had been issued in the Normanton Road area. He considered that it was the traders themselves that caused a number of the traffic problems on Normanton Road.

Councillor Hussain considered that it would be a good time and opportunity to do something with the Normanton Hotel site and use it as a car park in order to relieve congestion.

**Agreed to note the presentation.**

## **21/06 Portland Street Area – Traffic Surveys**

The Panel considered a report from the Assistant Director of Highways and Transport that detailed results of a consultation with residents and businesses. This consultation was carried out following concerns being raised regarding traffic speeds and flows on Portland Street, Pear Tree Street, Rutland Street and Harrington Street.

**Agreed**

- 1. to support the design and construction of three cross road plateaus on Portland Street, Normanton, but request that consideration is given to making Harrington Street one way**
- 2. to consider the inclusion of the scheme within the 2007/08 highways and transport scheme.**

## **22/06 Consultation on the 2007/08 Programme for Highways and Transportation Schemes**

The Panel received a report introduced by Christine Durrant on the Consultation for the 2007/08 programme for Highways and Transport Schemes. She outlined that officers want to improve the way the detailed highways and transport work programme for the 2007/08 financial year is developed and are

seeking the views of area panels, as well as other groups and organisations across the city, on what schemes need to be focused on and what transport schemes or initiatives we could implement to try and address them. A final programme will be presented to Cabinet for approval in February/March 2007.

She invited the area panel to provide details of problems and/or schemes that they feel should be considered as part of the 2007/08 highways and transport programme and submit them to Michelle Spamer by **10 November 2006**.

The area panel will consider the list of schemes at the next meeting and identify the five priorities for each ward. Residents and Councillors suggested a number of issues that could be included in the list.

**Agreed to note the report.**

## **23/06 Area Panel Update**

The Panel considered an update report on the progress of community issues raised at the last meeting. The report included details of the issues raised, proposed actions, progress to date and the City Council officer responsible.

### **Street Lighting in Derby City Centre**

Sarah Dosumnu reported that at an inspection on 18 September 2006, 17 lights were out. These would be repaired within two weeks.

### **Housing Renewal Area, Leopold Street**

It was agreed to ask Martin Gadsby to attend the next meeting to address residents concerns.

### **Alcohol Free Zones**

A member of the public showed the Panel photographs of the steps at Mount Carmel Street that highlighted the problems that existed in the area. It was considered that the alcohol free zones were pointless without the signs to reinforce them. Concerns were raised about children having to walk through the cigarettes, bottles and cans.

Inspector Henderson made the point that it was not just the fault of the drinkers, but those who sell the alcohol.

**Agreed to provide a map of the locations of the Alcohol Free Zone signs in Area Panel 3 at the next meeting.**

## **24/06 Public Question Time**

The following issue was raised by a member of the public:

### **Bonfires**

A member of the public re-raised concerns about bonfires as he considered them to be a nuisance. He considered that other authorities had passed bylaws to ban them asked if Derby City Council could do the same.

### **Hedges and Tree Boundaries**

A member of the public asked who was responsible for cutting back hedges and trees when they hung over boundaries.

### **Painting of Yellow Lines**

A member of the public advised that in July 2006 double yellow lines, that had previously been single, had been painted on the west side of Mount Street, but the signage had not yet changed.

### **Advertising, Wilson Street**

A member of the public raised concerns that a new chemist on Wilson Street had advertising on two large A boards and four or five banners on the face of the building, that they did not believe should be allowed. They asked for the relevant department to investigate.

### **Three Bin System**

A member of the public asked when the three bin scheme would be rolled out to the rest of Village Street.

### **Stockbrook Park Security Improvements**

A member of the public asked what had happened to the £1,600 allocated from the Area Panel 3 budget for security improvements on Stockbrook park.

Councillor Afzal responded that the money was used for the lighting column. He reported that the antisocial behaviour on the park was under control, and was being monitored by the Police and the Antisocial Behaviour Team.

### **Renewal of Pavements, Carlton Road**

A member of the public asked when the remaining construction work on Carlton Road would be finished.

## **25/06 Area Panel Budget Proposals 2006/07**

A report of the Director of Derby Community Safety Partnership was considered which set out details of four applications for funding, which had been received:

- To consider whether to support the application received from the Breast Feeding Support Group for child care costs. Amount requested £2000.
- To consider whether to support the application received from Dale Community Champions for development of the group. Amount requested £2000.
- To consider whether to support the application received from the 126 (City of Derby) Squadron, Air Training Corps) for the purchase of a Land

Rover. Amount requested £350.

- To consider whether to support the application received from the JET (Jobs, Education and Training) for promoting Community Harmony. Amount requested £2000.

**Agreed to award funding to the applications in the following way:**

- 1. Breast Feeding Support Group – granted £1000 from Normanton ward allocations, subject to finding out if other Area Panel have contributed.**
- 2. Dale Community Champions – granted £2000 from Normanton ward allocations**
- 3. 126 (City of Derby) Squadron, Air Training Corps – granted £150 from all wards**

As Councillors Afzal, Dhindsa, Hussain, S Khan and Nath had declared personal prejudicial interests in the following item they left the meeting during its consideration.

- 4. JET (Jobs, Education and Training) – deferred to the next meeting as the Panel was not quorate and was therefore unable to make a decision on the application.**

## **26/06 Health Briefing From Greater Derby and Central Derby Primary Care Trusts**

A briefing paper on Health Services was considered.

**Agreed to note the contents of the briefing paper.**

## **27/06 Area Panel Review Update**

The Panel considered a report from the Head of Stronger Safer Communities Unit that provided an update on the Area Panel review. It was suggested that the Panel should elect a standing chair for the remainder of the municipal year.

**Agreed to elect Councillor Williamson as the standing chair for the municipal year and to elect a rotating vice chair at a future meeting.**

## **28/06 Arrangements for the Next Meeting**

It was agreed that Councillor Williamson would be the Chair of the next meeting, to be held at Pear Tree Community Primary School.

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