



Outer East Area Committee

Minutes from Halton Moor & E.Osmondthorpe Forum & PACT
Held at Halton Moor Community Centre
on 14th January 2014

Present:

Cllr Mick Lyons (Chair), PS Katy Myers, PCSO Liam Thompson, David Davenport (Wyke Beck Forum/Dunhills Flood Action), Anne-Marie Burke (Resident), Brian Mumby (Halton Moor Residents), Diane Gill (Save Our Homes & Environment), Gladys Townend (SOH&E), Glen O'Malley (Youth Service), Gemma Sargeant (TNLP), Simon Norman (SE Locality Team) Phil Underdown (LASBT), Sajda Khaliq (LCC), Pete Mudge (LCC – South East Area Support Team, minutes)

Apologies:

Cllr Katherine Mitchell (Maternity leave), Cllr Judith Cummins, Amanda Douglas-Smith (Housing Leeds)

Item	Welcome, introductions and apologies	Action
1.1	Cllr Lyons welcomed everyone and explained he was chairing the meeting as Cllr Mitchell was on maternity leave. Tribute was paid to Sylvia Marsh who had passed away just before Christmas. She had attended the forums for many years.	
2.0	PACT meeting (Partners And Communities Together) – PS Myers	
2.1	The new inspector is currently being appointed and will soon be announced. The new police areas will be the same as Council Areas.	
2.2	Crime stats for the last 6 weeks noted 26 burglary dwellings - a significant drop compared with the previous year's 44 Similarly criminal damage had reduced to 36 from 100. However theft from motor vehicles had risen to 15 from 7 and theft of motor vehicles to 24 from 7.	
2.3	The recorded ASB hotspots of Neville Road and Hesthwaite Gardens had no crimes recorded for the last 6 weeks and the recommendation was to see them removed. However ASB had occurred in other areas including 3	
2.4	<p>notices served for possession of drugs, 2 noise and abuse cases on Wyke Beck Rd and noise nuisance through parties on Appleby Square.</p> <p>Osmondthorpe Lane and The Nevilles remain as hotspots.</p> <p>AMB said there were ongoing attacks on her horse at Rathmell Road near the Halton Moor pub. Incidents have included the horse being hit in the face and the food holder being stolen. As a result of these incidents Rathmell Road was added to the hotspots list.</p> <p>Q) The parking outside Corpus Christi school is often "very anti-social." Could police have a presence outside the school. A) Police agreed to and Gemma Sargeant said she will liaise with the school.</p>	

3.0	Minutes of the meeting held on 8 October 2013	
3.1	Approved.	
4.0	10 minute open floor	
4.1	<p>Anne-Marie said she has always lived in Halton Moor but has noticed that recently there seems nothing for youth to get involved with. She offered to help lead developing a small centre of farming for youth. Glen and Gemma offered to meet with Anne-Marie to see what can be developed.</p> <p>Brian said Wyke Beck is a nature reserve and there are opportunities for more youth to play an active role there.</p> <p>The Chair said there were good examples of Halton Moor youth activities Coming up later in the meeting. He also said the further development of Thorpe Park will result in 13,000 jobs and a new green park near Osmondthorpe School.</p>	AVH
5.0	Fuel Poverty	
5.1	SEC has a 12 month contract with Leeds City Council to promote and deliver eco advice in the South East wedge. (Wilmot Dixon and KeepMoat cover the other two wedges)	PM
5.2	<p>Phase 1 of the Wrap Up Leeds Eco Scheme was launched in July 2013 and Phase 2 in September. The schemes provide slightly different offers however each is intended to help reduce fuel costs to residents. In the South East Wedge it is calculated 11,000 people qualify for the scheme and currently 1,000 have taken it up.</p> <p>ECO stands for Energy Company Obligations to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Home Heating Cost reduction 2) Carbon Saving Community Obligation (CSCO) 3) Carbon Emissions Reduction Obligation <p>The Green Deal finances a range of 35 energy efficiency measures including boiler replacement, cavity wall insulation, loft installation and exterior home protections for private and social housing.</p> <p>The City Council has provided funding to help people on benefits join in the scheme under the assumption that the monthly savings must be greater than the outgoings.</p> <p>q) Insulation cannot be used on the houses in flood areas by Wyke Beck.</p> <p>a) The benefits are for everyone we can assist. Sadly this does not cover everyone however we will be happy to visit your house and see what can be done.</p> <p>q) If someone takes up the Green Deal and subsequently changes their supplier, will that matter?</p> <p>a) No, that does not matter at all.</p> <p>Agreed that the officers would update the next Halton Moor Forum.</p>	PM
6.0	Environmental Services – Locality Working – Simon Norman	
6.1	The Locality Team received and dealt with 106 requests for service between 8 th October 2013 and 12 th January 2014. This is work in addition	

	<p>to the scheduled and routine cleaning shifts.</p> <p>The most frequent issues dealt with were flytipping, waste in gardens, dog fouling and stray dogs and graffiti.</p> <p>Flytipping areas include Halton Moor Avenue, the Neville's and Kendal Drive. These areas are now flagged as hot spots and regularly monitored to pick up flytipped waste and also to identify the culprits.</p> <p>Graffiti has been a problem on the Ullswater's. The removal team has attended on a number of occasions.</p> <p>Wild West and Halton Moor pub sites. These two sites are now being focussed on by the council's derelict site project team. The Regeneration team lead on this and discussions are on going with the owners of the sites to try to ensure improvements and bring the sites back into use through redevelopment.</p> <p>The team is taking action against a number of occupiers to ensure their gardens and properties are cleaned and tidied up. Neville Parade, Halton Moor Ave etc.</p> <p>Our dog warden has collected 4 strays from the area. Owners are required to pay a fee of £50 to collect their dogs from our kennels. Owners can also be fined for allowing their dogs to foul on public land and for allowing their dogs to stray onto footpaths, verges and roads.</p>	
8.0	Youth Service	
	<p>GO'M. is the new manager for the South East Ward covering 11 wards and stretching from Morley to Cross Gates. The recently appointed youth officer for the Outer East area is Jim Stanton.</p> <p>Youth Service have activities at the Community Centre twice a week which are held in partnership with TNLP, the Police and Tasking.</p> <p>It is intended to bring more events to the centre from half term.</p> <p>The Chair said discussions were underway with the Cluster into the possibility of incorporating the sports centre and adjoining playground to form a new school while retaining the community and youth provision. Some 15 groups have indicated interest in using the community centre and it is now a case of seeing which can help fund the venture.</p> <p>GS said tons of groups were interested in using the centre.</p> <p>When asked if the swimming pool or wet room could be reopened in this scheme, Cllr Lyons said it was not included.</p>	
9.0	Highways	
	<p>Two schemes are progressing on Osmondthorpe Lane, the first being a Highway Maintenance scheme which runs from Rookwood Avenue to and including the railway bridge and secondly the Osmondthorpe Lane Railway Bridge scheme and in order to maximise resources and minimise</p>	

	<p>costs the decision was made to combine the two schemes and progress them as one construction element.</p> <p>The whole works started on Monday (6th January) with the Highway Maintenance scheme, and will continue for 10 weeks being completed by mid March.</p> <p>The Highway Maintenance scheme, consists of removal and relaying of the kerbs and resurfacing of the carriageway between Rookwood Avenue and the railway bridge. The Osmondthorpe Railway Bridge scheme consists of removal of the give way priority system and introduction of traffic signals under the railway bridge, resurfacing the carriageway and drainage works.</p> <p>Due to the confined nature of the bridge it is proposed to carry out the traffic signal works over a two week period during the February school holidays (starting 17th February) and close Osmondthorpe Lane to traffic Monday to Friday 8am till 4pm. Pedestrian routes will be maintained under the railway bridge through the contractors traffic management and signed diversions will be put in place for traffic and bus services. The diversion routes were noted at the forum.</p> <p>Outer East Area Committee has agreed to contribute £15,000 towards the traffic light costs.</p>	
9.0	ENE Homes – Amanda Douglas-Smith	
9.1	Work to destroy the knot-weed on Osmondthorpe Lane began with the first treatment in October 2013. The next will take place in May.	
9.2	<p>Staff transfers from ENEHL back into LCC concluded in October 2013. At present there is no change to front line services and details of future structures have yet to be announced.</p> <p>Work is on-going to help tenants affected by the Welfare Reform. Some Halton Moor properties have been re-designated and their bedroom size downgraded however this has only occurred where a bedroom is located downstairs or can only be accessed through another bedroom.</p> <p>A Mutual Exchange Swap Shop Event is being hosted in Halton Moor to promote properties available for exchange. The event will take place in March 2014 with further details circulated nearer the time.</p> <p>PM read the report and Cllr Lyons said it was disappointing Housing Leeds had not been able to send an officer to the meeting. He hoped this will not occur again.</p>	
10.0	Winter Warmth Project	
10.1	<p>This arose through Outer East Area Committee's concerns about fuel poverty amongst the elderly. The council is developing its strategy to tackle fuel poverty and this is a local response.</p> <p>1,400 winter warmth packs are being distributed via the Neighbourhood Networks to vulnerable elderly people in Outer East.</p>	

	<p>The total cost is £21,200 with Outer East Area Committee providing £10,000 and East North East Homes Area Panel £1,200, the remainder came from Aire Valley Homes.</p> <p>In Halton Moor the launch event is at HOPE’s Coronation Parade building running from 10am – noon on Tuesday 28th January. Anyone wishing to obtain a warmth pack or advice on fuel poverty is welcome to attend.</p>	
11.0	AOB	
11.0	Date of next meeting	
11.1		All