

**Farnley and Wortley Forum – New Farnley Community Centre**

Date: 01/03/10

**Present:**

**Chair: Cllr David Blackburn**

**Sam Woodhead (WNW Area Management), Cllr Ann Blackburn, Cllr A Parnham, Roberts Greaves, Gill Lynch, Angie Mattison, Karen Morley, Sharon Scott, Trudi Barker, Sam Carter, Lorraine Kendrew, Cheryl Hulme, Amanda Jardhi (Education Leeds), David Grooby (LCC), Craig Lightowler / Pete Weedon / Andy Goolin / Jez Watson / Sgt Swanson (NPT), D Carter.**

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<p><b>1.0 Introduction &amp; Apologies:</b> 1.1 Apologies from Richard Huyser.</p>	
<p><b>2.0 New Build at Farnley Park High School</b></p>	
<p>2.1 Amanda Jardhi and David Grooby introduced themselves to the meeting.</p>	
<p>2.2 David Grooby said the application for planning permission for the new school would be going in at the end of the month. All being well the work will start in Autumn 2010, complete in 2012.</p>	
<p>2.3 David circulated plans for the new build and invited questions.</p>	
<p>2.4 A member of the audience asked if Victoria Park would stay on the site. Amanda stated that it would not, with the proposal being to move it to Milestone Primary School in Stanningley. However, there will still be a high care partnership for approximately 30 children.</p>	
<p>2.5 A question was asked about disruption to the children during the new build. Amanda confirmed that the children would not leave the site, and would only move once within the grounds. There may be a reduction in the play area but no disruption to teaching.</p>	
<p>2.6 A member of the forum audience asked if there were any plans to make the routes to school safer. Cllr Blackburn stated that efforts were being made here.</p>	
<p>2.7 Amanda confirmed that the building contractor would not be able to make deliveries to site at the start or finish of the school day in order to keep the children safe.</p>	
<p>2.8 One question was how many additional children would be admitted to the school. Amanda confirmed that admission numbers increased in 2009 from 150 to 210.</p>	
<p>2.9 The Chair of Governors responded to a query about whether there were any plans to move the sixth form by stating that there were no plans.</p>	
<p>2.10 Cllr A Blackburn asked a question about whether there would be sufficient parking in the new build to meet the school's needs. Amanda confirmed that the current plans virtually cover present need and the architect has been asked to find a few additional spaces.</p>	
<p>2.11 Other members of the audience asked where the contractor's staff will park and if this will cause problems to the community, and if temporary parking could be found. Cllr D Blackburn stated that this would be finalised at the next stage of</p>	

the process, ie the planning process.

- 2.12 The 11<sup>th</sup> March 2010 drop-in consultation session will be held at Farnley Park 2.30-7.00pm with the architect and contractor present. Craig Lightowler (NPT) asked if the new build will have any community space available, to which Amanda and the Chair of Governors responded in the affirmative.

### **3.0 Neighbourhood Policing Team**

- 3.1 During the period leading up to Xmas, there had been a number of burglaries in the area. The police responded by providing many plain clothes patrols.
- 3.2 Police advised general safety precautions - blinds to be closed in homes, keys out of sight and not left in doors etc.
- 3.3 Jez Watson stated that the area would be leafleted, providing general crime safety advice.
- 3.4 Police also stated that there had been a recent spate of car break-ins, mainly for sat-navs, and so advised not leaving anything visible in cars.
- 3.5 Craig Lightowler confirmed there had been a slight problem recently with distraction burglaries in the area and that the police had given several talks on safety advice in sheltered housing complexes.

### **4.0 Grot spot areas**

- 4.1 Sam Woodhead invited any reports of grot spot areas. None were received.

### **5.0 Tension Monitoring**

- 5.1 Sam Woodhead invited any reports of tension monitoring. None were received.

### **6.0 Any Other Business**

- 6.1 Sam Woodhead informed the meeting of the forthcoming Year Of The Volunteer event at Pudsey Civic Hall 06/03/10, 10.00am to 2.00pm.
- 6.2 The police circulated a leaflet advertising a Crime Prevention Evening 02/03/10 6.30pm at St Michaels Church, New Farnley.

