

**TYERSAL COMMUNITY FORUM MINUTES**  
**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2011**

**Present:** Cllr Jarosz (Chair), Stuart Byrne (WNWAMT), Jason Singh (Environmental Services), E Foster, I Punt, B Crawshaw, C Hoddell, N Clough, Vic Warren, I Warren, K Mills, John R Artist, Derek Wilson, Chris Metcalf, Mark Romans, J Romans, Brian & Doreen Parkin, G Kedzior, G Stephenson, R Stevenson.

**ACTION**

**1.0 Welcome**

- 1.1 Cllr Jarosz welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**2.0 Apologies**

Janet Varley, Derek Crowe.

**3.0 Minutes of the last meeting**

- 3.1 Agreed as a true record with the amendment that Insp. Cawkwell was in attendance.

**4.0 Matters arising**

- 4.1 Bikes in the park were reported and a joint visit has been conducted by Police and Parkswatch.
- 4.2 The gate on the play area is not closing properly. This has been reported and is awaiting repair.
- 4.3 A letter from MP Stuart Andrew has been received and this was read out.

**5.0 Policing Update**

- 5.1 Insp. Cawkwell introduced the new PC for the area. He also outlined the WYP commitment to Neighbourhood Policing and confirmed that it will not disappear despite budget pressures.
- 5.2 NPT have been working with colleagues in Bradford doing multi-agency check sites at Gallagher's, checking for red diesel, waste traders licences, insurance etc. This has resulted in a range of enforcement action including £25,000 of stolen copper being recovered.
- 5.3 Burglary: Tyersal Rd has received target hardening to a number of properties.

- 5.4 Drugs in Tyersal were discussed. Insp. Cawkwell said that he is aware drugs can blight an area and the NPT has taken a range of enforcement action over the last 6 months.
- 5.5 A member of the forum asked if driving under the influence of drugs is an offence – Police confirmed that it is.
- 5.6 Off-road bikes were raised as a continuing problem. The NPT have two members of the Division at their disposal that focus on this problem. However, they do not cover Pudsey all the time. This is more cover than in Bradford South Division as they do not have designated cover. The policy around uninsured vehicles is clear that if the vehicle is stopped and it has no insurance then the vehicle should be seized.
- 5.7 Concern was raised that off-road bikes are using the 'Jib' as a cut through and escape route.
- 5.8 NPT local priorities:
1. Horses and carts collecting scrap
  2. Off-road motorbikes
  3. Speeding cars on Tyersal Rd
- 5.9 There have been no reports of ASB in the last month and figures for burglary over the last month are also down. Police are hoping these lower figures will continue and are a reflection of the increased policing and higher visibility in the area.
- 5.10 Cllr Jarosz thanked the Police for their attendance.

## **6.0 Environmental Services**

- 6.1 Jason Singh introduced himself as the new manager responsible for environmental services in West and North West Leeds.
- 6.2 LCC has set up a new service that encompasses the full range of environmental services including dog fouling, street sweeping, litter picking and noise nuisance.
- 6.3 The intention of the service is to make it responsive on a local level in order to ensure the best quality of cover for the area.
- 6.4 Jason did comment on litter in the area and gave commitment to get litter pickers working in the area.
- 6.5 Concern was raised that increasing numbers of rented properties are causing problems with fly tipping and untidy gardens.
- 6.6 There are 2 dedicated officers for Environmental Enforcement: Jamie Friel and Jessica Hodgson 0113 2146563.
- 6.7 Other problems discussed were 5 Tyersal Road and flytipping. Dog fouling in the park is also an issue but there are problems with catching the culprits which requires the action of Enforcement Officers.

- 6.8 There are issues of flytipping in the “10 Foot”. However, this is private land.

Cllr Jarosz thanked the Jason for his attendance.

## **7.0 Citizens Panel**

- 7.1 Stuart Byrne outlined Leeds City Council’s proposals to expand the Citizens Panel. A citizens’ panel is just one of the ways the council finds out what people think and need. It is a large group of residents that give a small amount of time to take part in surveys and discussions about local services and issues that affect where they live.
- 7.2 Leeds City Council, NHS Leeds (the primary care trust in Leeds) and other public sector partners want to set up a large new citizens’ panel of about 6000 people. In Autumn 2011 we are inviting people to tell us if they’re interested in becoming members.
- 7.3 We want as many of the new panel members as possible to take part in online surveys. This will save time and money. As we know not everyone can or wants to go online, we’ll make sure those that find other approaches convenient can still get involved.
- 7.4 If you are at least 18 years old and live in the Leeds City Council area, we’re interested in hearing from you. Let us know you’re interested by filling in the form which you will receive by post in the coming weeks.
- 7.5 If you would like further information visit [www.leeds.gov.uk/citizenspanel](http://www.leeds.gov.uk/citizenspanel), email [citizenspanel@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:citizenspanel@leeds.gov.uk) or leave a message on 0113 247 4610 and we’ll be in touch.

## **8.0 Any Other Business**

- 8.1 Stuart Andrew MP has not responded regarding postcode issues in Tyersal. Area Management to follow up.
- 8.2 The question was raised as to whether an insurance representative could be contacted.
- 8.3 Tyersal Walk: irresponsible parking at school times was discussed. The school has written again to pupils’ parents.
- 8.4 A letter has been received from the DSA relating to driving instructors.

Councillors’ surgeries are the last Tuesday of the month at Tyersal Club 7.30 to 8.30pm.

### **Date and Time of Next Meeting**

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2012 at 7:30pm – Tyersal Club  
Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2012 at 7:30pm – Tyersal Club