

Notes of Meeting
Bramley & Stanningley Community Forum
7.30-9pm 29th March 2012, Eric Atkinson Centre

1.0 Welcome & Introductions

- 1.1 Stephen McBarron (Chair) welcomed residents to the meeting. Apologies were received from Cllr Ted Hanley.

2.0 Notes of previous meeting and Matters Arising

- 2.1 Notes were agreed as correct.
- 2.2 Moorside TARA – confirmed that the proceeds of the Carol Concert will go towards the War Memorial.
- 2.3 (4.6) (4.16) – all complaints passed on to dog wardens.
- 2.4 (4.9) (4.10) (4.12) (4.13) – Supervisor and/or Enforcement tasked with these.
- 2.5 A discussion around ginnels and Public Rights Of Way (PROW) followed. Concern was expressed that some of Bramley's historical PROWs will be lost forever IF not added to the Council's 'Definite Map' by 2026. This is the current deadline. Another threat to PROWs is alleygating.
Cllr NT confirmed that there is a legal process needed to get a PROW on to the 'Definitive Map'. He also asked that the minutes reflect his view that Bramley and Stanningley be treated like other parts of the city and have all the ward ginnels added to the Council map
- 2.6 (4.5) The derelict petrol station – a JCB did a general tidy-up last week. £0.5m has been earmarked citywide – the Lord Cardigan site and this petrol station site will be amongst the first to be tackled. Meanwhile the owners have entered into discussions re.interim use for the site whilst also looking at long-term use.
- 2.7 (6.2) Cllr NT asked meeting to confirm views on fortnightly bin collections. Generally the meeting were in agreement but most agreed they wanted fortnightly green bin collection rather than alternate bin collection.
- 2.8 (2.2) CG has met with the War Memorial Group and the next meeting is 7pm at Bramley Community Centre on the 20th June.

3.0 Police PACT update

- 3.1 More officers have been drafted in to work on Burglary related projects. House burglary has gone down from 76 (in the same period last year) to 29 this year. A new research tool is also being trialled that predicts where next burglary will be.
- 3.2 Robbery has increased however 3 suspects have already been arrested for 2 of the offences. One 15yr old and a 16yr old have both been charged with 1 offence and are due in court on 15th May.
- 3.3 The lighter nights and warmer weather usually lead to more burglaries as windows etc are left open. 'It Only Takes a Minute' campaign has been launched to remind people to lock doors and be mindful of home security. For more details visit:
www.westyorkshire.police.uk/burglary
- 3.4 Immobilise is the worlds largest free register of possession ownership details – if your phone, bike, computer or any other registered item is stolen you can use Immobilise to instantly tell Police, Insurers and the second-hand trade. To register possessions visit www.immobilise.com
- 3.5 A resident expressed concern that no PCSOs had been seen for as long as 5 weeks around Moorside and that a local burglar was back on the streets. PC Julie will chase this up as the Ganners shop is a PACT priority and there have been groups of youths hanging around here.
- 3.6 There may be a scam in operation in the area concerning leaflets asking for donations etc for Air Ambulance. This has been sent to Mr Wheeler but no response has been received as yet.

4.0 BARCA update – Adam Smith

- 4.1 A new opportunity or funding – Community Organisers – means that local 3rd sector,

voluntary and community groups can apply for funding for local community projects. For Bramley all applications are being handled by a panel called Bramley First (whilst being supported by Barca). www.bramleyfirst-leeds.co.uk

4.2 Groups can apply for up to £2,500; there is £14,060 available in the first year but altogether over £80,000 is available for Bramley. SMcB urged local people volunteer for the panel as it is up to the people of Bramley how the funding is spent.

4.3 The launch event is 7pm on Monday 16th April, Bramley St. Peter's C of E Primary School. More details are available from Barca – the Funding and Development Manager Cathryn Thom – 07595 120 995 / 0113 220 9036

4.4 Barca have also got a new contract to deliver some more play services in the area so local groups should get in touch. They have also got the drugs contract for Leeds and have now some funding to do some research into intergenerational drug use.

5.0 Youth Service Update

5.1 SM gave out up to date leaflets showing what the Youth Service are offering in the way of youth provision in the Bramley area.

Cllr NT requested that these be displayed on the community notice boards at Bramley Shopping Centre and Rodley. Also for them to be kept as up to date as possible.

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5.2 Residents expressed concern that it was difficult to find out about what activities were available and when. The Council Youth service website allows you to enter your postcode to search for available activities. www.breezeleeds.org/

6.0 Any other business

6.1 Diamond Jubilee Events and Celebrations:

- Tuesday 5th June: An event funded by MICE and Inner West Area Committee will take place on Hunters Greave at 12/1pm to 4/5pm. Attractions include: BBQ, Cake stall, fancy dress kids competition, sports day events, games and stalls, live band , bouncy castle etc.
- Saturday 2nd June: A similar event will take place at Moorside CC 1-4pm funded by MICE money.
- There will also be a garden party at no 15 – elderly person's complex.

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Will add to AOB at next meeting to remind everyone.

6.2 2nd April 1-4pm @ Moorside CC – launch of youth cycling club.. There will also be Easter eggs and tombola etc.

6.3 Cllr NT – Kirkstall Forge development – all the funding is now in place for the new railway station. This will be in the Bramley ward but vehicular access will be from the A65 (as Pollard Lane not suitable). This will open in 2014 and there will also be new housing and offices etc on site. The existing Leeds/Bradford shuttle will stop there twice per hour. In the evening the Ilkley trains will stop twice hourly and the Cllrs are pressing for the morning Ilkley trains to also stop. Apperley Bridge station is also being built and will be open slightly before the Bramley one.

6.4 Clariant Sports ground – Plans Panel West turned down the application for new houses on this site but this has been overturned by the Secretary of State. Up to 550 houses are to be built.

6.5 Now the weather is improving portable BBQs are being used with more frequency in Bramley Fall Woods. Cllr NT to mention to Area Committee- must get the message out that they are not permitted.

Cllr
NT

7.0 Next meeting

31st May 2012, 7.30pm, Eric Atkinson Centre, Wellington Gardens, Bramley