

Note of 12th February 2013 Forum Meeting

Appendix 5

6.00pm Ralph Thoresby High School

Present

Cllr B Anderson (Chair) Councillor for Adel & Wharfedale

Cllr C Fox - Councillor for Adel & Wharfedale

Tenants and residents from the Holt Park Area

Ben Middleton – City Development

Mark Burgess – City Development

Janet Howrie – City Development

Jason Singh – Environmental Services

Wyn Davies – Area Performance Manager WNW Homes

Paul Hurrell – Neighbourhood Standards Officer WNW Homes

Sgt Clare Salisbury – Neighbourhood Policing Team

PCSO's - Neighbourhood Policing Team

Gerry Burnham – WNW Area Support Team

Introduction and matters arising from the previous meeting

1. Councillor Anderson welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made. A brief outline and purpose for the meeting was given.
2. Update from previous Meeting
 - 2.1 An update on the actions from the previous meeting was circulated. Dog fouling was raised again as an issue. Jason Singh Environmental Services Locality Manager acknowledged that this was a problem city wide and confirmed that additional resources are being deployed in the area to try and tackle the problem.
 - 2.2 The path which runs from the corner of Holtdale Place through the central grassed quadrant to the corner of Holtdale Lawn is still causing problems as the path gets water logged, turns icy and is dangerous. Wyn Davies WNW Homes offered to take this matter up with Highway Services and Parks & Countryside officers.

Key Items discussed:

Holt Park Regeneration

3. Ben Middleton Project Manager on this scheme gave a presentation on Holt Park Regeneration. A development framework / informal planning statement is currently being drafted and is due to be presented for approval at the April / May meeting of the Executive Board. After this a 4 month consultation process will commence to engage with stakeholders and the community to understand what is required.
4. Residents at the meeting raised a number of issues including:
 - Problems with Asda delivery lorries parking on Holt Park Road and also using the narrow Holt Lane as a cut through.
Action: Ben Middleton and Mark Burgess agreed to write to Asda.
 - Suggested facilities in the new centre included a post office, Bank and restaurant.
 - Concerns were raised that the breaking of the slab on the former Ralph Thoresby Site will cause disruption to the sheltered housing complex as this is the only entrance to the site. Assurance was given that the work should be completed with 2-3 days and disruption kept to a minimum.

Holt Park Active

5. Helen Evans Service Improvement Manager presented information on the well-being centre. The build is on track and the centre is due to open mid October. Facilities will include:
 - 25 metre 4 lane swimming pool.
 - Hydro Pool
 - 2 Badminton Courts
 - Bodyline Gym with 70 pieces of equipment
 - 6 multi-purpose rooms
 - Dance studio
- 5.1 There will be 80 car parking spaces which will include 10% for disabled. Parking will be restricted to 3 hours however special arrangements can be made for customers requiring a longer stay.

- 5.2 Councillor Anderson raised concerns that youth provision was being removed from the area. Helen Evans advised that one room will be used by the Youth Service for the Friday Night Project. The room will be used as hub and young people will have access to other facilities within the building.
- 5.3 Residents raised the following issues:
- Praise was given to the site manager of the well-being centre who has always been very responsive to any issues / concerns raised by the residents.
 - Security at the centre was raised and questions were asked about the boundary of CCTV cameras.
- 5.4 There is currently a list for anyone wishing to express an interest and bookings will be taken from June / July. Anyone wishing to make an enquiry should contact:
- Email address is wellbeing@leeds.gov.uk
Phone number is 0113 378 1301
Web page <http://www.leeds.gov.uk/sports/Pages/Holt-Park-Active.aspx>

Police Update

6. Sergeant Clare Salisbury introduced herself as the new sergeant covering the Holt Park area. Sgt Salisbury is based at Otley Police Station, contact details were distributed and she invited residents to email her with any local issues. Contact details are
7. Information on the 'Nominated Neighbour Scheme' was circulated. The scheme seeks the help of neighbours, relatives or friends to check whether unknown callers are genuine. Anyone requiring an information pack can contact Sgt Salisbury direct or telephone 101.
8. PC Adam Simpson provided an update on crime in the locality.
9. The Neighbourhood Policing Team is to look into the issue of lorries causing obstructions and anyone with information was encouraged to contact Sgt Salisbury direct or call 101.

WNW Homes

10. Wyn Davies Area Performance Manager informed the meeting that WNW Homes were holding a consultation event on the ALMO review on Wednesday 13th February 4.00pm – 7.00pm.

Any other Business

11. Concerns were raised that a confused message had gone out with regards missed bin collections during the severe weather. It was acknowledged that there had been miscommunication. If a bin is missed on the day of collection it should remain out for 48 hours, if it is still not emptied it should be returned to the property and presented again on the next due collection day.

Date of next meeting

12. To be confirmed.