

Outer East Area Committee

Kippax and Methley Forum

Meeting held on 1st May 2013 Brigshaw High School

Present:

Councillor Mary Harland (Chair), Cllr Keith Wakefield, Sgt Steve Goodwill (WYP) Doug Morley (Kippax PC), Pat Samy (KiB, Traders) Jack Bate (Kippax PC, KiB, Community Centre), Adrian Lee (LCC Youth Service), John Taylor (Allerton Bywater Parish Council), Andy Milnes LCC Waste Management), Paul Spivey (Kippax PC), Pete Mudge (LCC SEAST)

Apologies: Cllr James Lewis, Harold Wilson (Park Ave N'hood Watch).

1.0	Welcome / Introductions and Apologies	Action
1.1	Councillor Harland welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
2.0	PACT Meeting - CP Richard Eastwood (WYP)	
2.1	Sgt Goodwill (SG) said the meetings were unusual from nationally established PACT meetings as, while open to members of the public, attendance at the forum tended to be representatives from the councils and traders. SG said that for the year 01.04.12 – 31.03.13 police covering Kippax and Methley had seen a rising demand in calls and a reduction in staff. Nonetheless the area reflected trends running across the region with a 10% year on year fall and burglaries from dwellings down by 31%. NS said that since the last meeting Police management had changed with the arrival of a new commissioner and chief constable. NS said it currently seemed that local policing along existing lines will continue to be a bedrock of mechanism for neighbourhoods.	WYP
2.2	Q) JB asked if Hotpots were still identified to signal extra attention is required.A) SG said hotspots are still used to identify key areas.	
3.0	Kippax and Methley Forum	
3.1	Minutes of the forum meeting held on Wednesday 17 October 2012	
3.2	One of the gold awards for 2012 Britain in Bloom had not been referenced in the minutes. Otherwise the minutes were agreed as a true record.	
4.0	Matters arising from those minutes	
4.1	Any matters arising were covered in the current agenda.	
5.0	10 Minute open floor	
5.1	St Aidans: JB - The launch will be a major event and include a major press launch. Cllr W - Yes. As it is the biggest water park in the country it will be a great event and the intention is to benefit and link in neighbouring villages. JT - The problem remains of the Spillway affecting nearby homes. Cllr W - I understand the flooding is from the River Calder rather than the Aire. JT - Agreed. The problem is it causes backing up of water on the Aire. PM will check with Simon what can be done about this problem.	PM
5.2	Royal Oak: DM – Work on the site of the former Royal Oak in Kippax has stopped for 8 weeks	

	whilst all the tipped rubbish is removed.	
6.0	Special Presentation: Introduction of Alternate Weekly Collections – Andy	
	Milnes LCC Waste Management	
6.1	The alternate weekly system is being introduced and crews and staff are working with customers to help introduce the system and put fears to bed. The system is being very warmly received and the call centre is even receiving calls from other areas asking to be included. In areas with large amounts of waste, the council's Waste Doctors are working with residents to find ways to reduce their amount of waste. Food waste is seeing particular improvements. Twitter and Facebook updates are working well. Q) In Allerton Bywater can the scheme be extended to include all farms? A) The lorries are too big to access the farms but it is hoped at some point smaller lorries will become cost effective. Q) Could additional brown bins be made available to some households. If so what is the charge? A) Whilst there is no additional charge, providing extra brown bins is not possible as it will swamp the rounds.	АМ
7.0	Youth Service - Adrian Lee	
7.1	The Kippax & Methley Youth Service team staged 10 sessions per week in the last financial year to 558 people giving the area the highest performance delivery in Leeds. In Allerton Bywater youth club activities attracted around 40 people per session and activities ranged from dealing with "legal highs" to building bird boxes and learning street dance. Methley attracted around 25 per session and one of the biggest successes was arranging an X factor craft session. Micklefield's weekly attendance ranged from 20-30 in two age groups and advice activities included sexual health and relationships and art and crafts. Kippax Friday Night Project at the Leisure Centre included football for over 40 young people for which the PCSO's joined in developing strong links with the local community. 6 young people received support in successfully applying for college and apprenticeships and a charity event for bone cancer raised over £1,000. The Kabin has received a tidy up thanks to the Probation Service. Training is ongoing to let youths undertake assessment of youth facilities and how they can be improved. A meeting is also underway with the UK youth parliament regarding the cost of transport. A meeting is being arranged between youth and Area Chairs. Major restructuring of the youth service is underway in September 2013. The process is likely to reduce senior officers but retain frontline staff.	AL
8.0	Locality Working	
8.1	No-one was able to attend from Locality Working. MH said she would discuss with the appropriate officer.	MH
9.0	Localism and Neighbourhood Plan - Town Cllr Doug Morley	
9.1	The first Neighbourhood Plan has now been completed in Thame in Oxfordshire. The developing Kippax Neighbourhood Plan is one of the pilot schemes and there are now over 30 areas preparing to launch their own NP around Leeds.	
9.2	One of the issues currently being considered is how Section 106 funding will operate under the Localism Agenda. Cllr Wakefield explained: Section 106 will remain to assist with schools, stopping flooding and all the usual benefits to the area.	
9.3	DM said he is meeting with parish chairs around the area to see if they can work	

	together to help the Council with improving the area. The Kippax Neighbourhood Plan team has 20 active workers covering north, east, west and Village Centre. They are completing a SWOT analysis of community needs and have specialist support from someone doing an MA and colleagues in the Council and Planning. Establishing a footpath between Kippax and Allerton Bywater is an example of a potential partnership.	DM, JT
10.	Traders' Update – Pat Samy	
10.1	The monthly meetings continue to identify and discuss new ideas however plans are in hand rather than being delivered over the last few winter months. Barclays have agreed to wash and improve the appearance of their premise and after many years wishing to sell his shop, Seniors Windows has now closed with retirement of the owner.	PS, PM
11.	Any Other Business and date of next meeting	
11.1	DM – The flagpole has now been put up in Kippax however the flag has been misdelivered to Sherburn. Arrangements are being made to bring it to Kippax.	DM
11.2	Discussion was held over who is responsible for trimming the hedges on Longdyke Lane. It was agreed the private owners are responsible for their own. PS will liaise with Simon Fosdyke.	PS
11.3	PM mentioned Cllr Harland and he had met with Richard at Anthony Valentine and many positive ideas were discussed for innovative ideas for the village. These included consideration of an Incredible Edible launch and a farmer's market.	PM
11.4	Date of next meeting: 6pm, Wednesday 16 th October 2013.	