

**Bramley & Stanningley Community Forum
Eric Atkinson Centre, Wellington Gardens. Bramley, Leeds**

Date: Thursday 26th July 2007

Present: Cllr Denise Atkinson (Chair), Cllr T Hanley, R Boon, A Friebe, K Donnelly, K Stanley, P Green, D & L Siron, J Lockett, H Garrand, N Gibson, A Maskell, J Frost, P Miles, M Tyson, J Upton, E & B Rayworth, L Bowman, C Roberts, JB Quimby, Jayne Learoyd, J Bedford, S Fothergill.

ACTION

1.00 WELCOME

1.01 Cllr D Atkinson welcomed all to the meeting and especially the new Rossefields group.

1.02 **APOLOGIES** – Cllr N.Taggart, J Stringer.

2.00 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING – agreed.

3.00 Matters Arising – none.

4.00 Policing Issues – Police / PCSOs – no-one in attendance.

4.01 RB/Cllr DA commented on the great success of Operation Champion earlier in the week.

5.00 Refuse Collection of recyclable materials / Q&A session – Kate Stanley

5.01 Kate Stanley – Education assistant from City Services gave a short talk on why we recycle and what can be recycled in the green bins:-

- Most paper including glossy magazines, junk mail, newspapers, leaflets, envelopes with windows, catalogs etc with staples (NOT the Next Directory).
- Cardboard – including food packaging but NOT juice/milk tetrapak cartons (there will be facilities at Household waste sites soon for these).
- NOT polystyrene.
- Cans: All food and pet food cans (washed out) – ok to leave labels on. Drinks cans including those with widgets.
- NO aerosols or paint cans.(these can be disposed of at household waste sites).
- Plastics: Look for number in triangle 1, 2 and 4 are recyclable. If letters used instead – PET, HDPE and LDPE are recyclable. General rule is all clear plastic or opaque bottles BUT NO tops. Plastic bags including carriers, bread bags are also recyclable.
- NO shredded paper as gets stuck in machinery (can be disposed of at household waste sites or used as pet bedding or in compost).
- ALL should be LOOSE in bin not tied up in bags even if the bags are recyclable – this is to allow easy separation.
- NO cellophane or foil.

- The frequency of green bin collections are being investigated. Larger ones or extra ones are available if requested.
- Compost bins are available to buy but even the smallest size is very large – as it takes some time for the waste to breakdown and become compost.
- For garden waste collection – ring LCC - refuse collection on 0845 124 0113 or 0113 398 4760.
- A pilot scheme is taking place at present supplying brown bins for garden waste – if this is successful it will be rolled out citywide.

5.02 Government are slowly bringing in legislation to reduce packaging by the manufacturer.

5.03 If you are unable to wheel your bin out – you can request bags instead. Although some residents did report problems with this service. Tel:0845 124 0113

5.04 Forum reported various issues around green bins being contaminated and therefore not collectable.

5.05 Kate is available to give more detailed talks to local groups etc.

6.00 Bramley Community Centre – update – Kevin Donnelly

6.01 Kevin introduced himself – he is the Youth Work Manager for Armley and also the Bramley Community Centre Manager. They hope to move in to the Centre very soon but the IT and furniture need delivering first. There has already been some renovation work done but there is still more to do.

6.02 Last year the decision was made to ensure each area of Leeds has a Youth Hub where all local youth services will be based. There is the LAZER centre but as this is a city-wide resource it was inappropriate to become the Bramley Hub. The intention is for the Bramley Centre to be open 7 days a week with all kinds of Community activities taking place. No-one will be ‘kicked’ out ! The focus of the centre however is Young People.

6.03 Cllr DA – there was a government announcement today about funding for Youth work : KD to follow up; Cllr DA promised full Cllr support. **KD**

6.04 There was a general discussion about the use of the Community Centre by local groups such as Bramley Elderly Action. Jane Learoyd (BEA) – the Government are also focussing on providing centres for the elderly. The facility is very central and on bus routes – so ideal for local access. However groups such as the luncheon club will fold if they have to pay the Youth Service for using it. KD sympathised with this and although he is bound by LCC policy will discuss with his manager. Maybe funding can be found elsewhere – Cllr DA will again support and help where possible.

6.05 The proposed new name is the Bramley Young People’s Centre. Protests were made that this is a Community resource – again KD said it has to focus on young people. It was felt that locals already paid for the centre through taxes etc.

6.06 Cllr DA proposed that the sale of the People’s airport provide each ward with a sum of money for community use. The wards to decide what to spend this on. Bradford Council have given £100k to each ward from their share of the sale price.

6.07 KD – there will be an official launch when the Centre is up and running.

6.08 A comment was made that there was no publicity around what is available at the Centre. KD to supply timetables of events and clubs etc once they have moved in. These will be sent with minutes to the Bramley mailing list. **KD/AF**

7.00 Inner Area Committee Co-opted Representative feedback – nothing to report.

8.00 AOB

- 8.01 Waterloo Lane roadworks are very dangerous. There was some confusion as to the reason for this work – RB to check out .
- 8.02 There has been a planning application for 40 flats on the Memorial Hall site at Broad Lane. However this is Armley ward.
- 8.03 Fairfield Partnership have received funding for a chef for a Friday Luncheon Club. They asked for volunteers to help out.
- 8.04 Bramley Luncheon Club (Community Centre) also would like some volunteers to help with their lunches – twice a week.
- 8.05 Rayneville Primary – very dangerous with parents parking on double yellow lines outside. This is Armley ward - Cllr DA advised resident to speak to Cllr A Lowe.
- 8.06 Bramley Carnival (last weekend) was a great success – 4,000 people attended. Plans to go ahead next year too.

- 9.00 Dates of meetings in 2007 - 27th September
29th November

RB