

East Leeds Neighbourhood Improvement Board

Thursday 14th July 2016; 9-11am

Saville Room, Leeds Media Centre, Leeds, LS7 3HZ

Attendees: Cllr Debra Coupar (Chair), Zuki Lasson (Minutes), Jane Maxwell, Andrew Birkbeck, Clare Wiggins, Satbinder Soor, Jan Hopkins, Sgt Lucy Leadbeater, John Woolmer, Matthew Birkett, Joanne Buck, Rob McCartney, Mark Ireland, Gillian Mayfield, Cllr Eileen Taylor, David Longthorpe, Lucy Jackson, Laura Eagle and Kelly Stephenson

In attendance: Christine Cox and Jenny Mort (Foundation for Peace)

Apologies: Shaid Mahmood, Cllr Kamila Maqsood, Cllr Catherine Dobson, Cllr Brian Selby, Cllr Jane Dowson, Susan Murray, Beverley Yearwood, Cl Ian Croft, Jill Wildman, Liz Bailey, Ian Kenning, Cllr Arif Hussain, Cllr Asghar Khan, Cllr Mohammed Rafique, Parvez Aziz, Kerri Evans, Liz Jarmin, Leanne Manning, Cllr Graham Hyde, Cllr Ron Grahame, Tom Smith, Adam Brannen, Neil Bowden, Cllr Denise Ragan,

1.	<p>Welcome and Introductions</p> <p>Cllr Coupar started by welcoming everyone to the Neighbourhood Improvement Board (NIB) and gave some background to how the board has been put together. Introductions were made by the Board.</p>	
2.	<p>Priority Neighbourhood Action Plans</p> <p>CW/AB presented the draft NIB actions plans for the six Neighbourhood Improvement Partnership(NIP) areas which are Burmantofts and Richmond Hill, Gipton, Harehills, Seacroft, Chapeltown and Meanwood and the progress they have made. These actions plans are just a starting point and report outlined the emerging challenges for each area. At the last NIB meeting it was recognised that there are some more common were identified and include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environment, in particular the Keep Harehills Tidy campaign and localised refuse offer • improved community engagement; in particular youth engagement • poor standards of private sector housing and a need for greater landlord engagement and accountability <p>Further updates on the actions plans will be brought to future meetings. Members will be kept up to date through the community committees and ward briefings.</p> <p>Cllr Coupar expressed that she was impressed at the progress so far.</p>	

<p>3.</p>	<p>Discussion Topic 1 - Keep Harehills Tidy and Localised Refuse Service</p> <p>JW/LE presented a report which outlined the progress made in relation to Keep Harehills Tidy (KHT) and the development of a Localised Refuse Service. Key point include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean-ups which have been led by the primary school in the area with the children getting involved. It has encouraged the community to come out and find out what was going on which gave the locality team the opportunity to talk to residents. • The team have commissioned 'Keep Britain Tidy' to do consultation around Harehills which involved a detailed inspection of over 400 sites. The results of the survey are currently being analysed but should be available soon. • The Environmental Action Service have been working with the Refuse service to make improvements on the offer to Harehills as this is an area with close terraced housing which makes the placement of bins for each household difficult as the gardens and boundaries to each property is small. The EAS team have created a zonal team of 22 staff and a dedicated Team Leader. • Work is taking place around street access issues and green bin contamination. • There will be a weekly radio show on Fever FM on Tuesday's at 5pm called Harehills Hour. <p>Cllr Coupar stated that the issue was very present at the last NIB meeting which took place in Harehills. Local members at the meeting raised the issue of the environment and the Board wanting to look at the issue moving forward. She agrees that a tailored approach is needed as a universal system across the city isn't going to work for everyone. She was pleased to hear that children have got involved as they may be able to pass this information on to their families and friends to make them aware.</p> <p>A discussion took place to explore communication issues in the area including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Language barriers • Marketing using pictures and the KHT branding • Work with partners who support tenants <p>Actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM to identify options for getting messages out through school networks. • LE to share Connect Housing tenant pledge with DL to see if something similar can be developed for local Council properties. • All to contact JW with ideas for using other local community connections to improve communication. 	<p>GM LE ALL</p>
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4.	<p>Discussion Topic 2 - Young People and Community Cohesion</p> <p>Early on the Harehills and Chapeltown Neighbourhood Improvement Partnership identified Young People as a priority, particularly focusing on cohesion issues and raising aspirations. JM outlined some of the positive work that has taken place.</p> <p>A discussion took place about the challenges of young people and community cohesion.</p> <p>A presentation was given by Foundation for Peace. The work is a national project that is funded by the Big Lottery and Foundation for Peace chose Harehills because of the richness of the community and recognised some of the challenges. This programme has a specific element focused on building capacity in young people and Foundation for Peace are working with local schools and providers to identify young people to go through a bespoke programme. (Presentation circulated)</p> <p>Cllr Coupar is aware that there is a lot of good work happening in Harehills and echoed concerns raised by colleagues. She was pleased the work has started but recognised there was more work to do.</p> <p>A brief discussion took place about the impact of the Referendum and Cllr Coupar stated that the Council are coming out with a very strong message to state they have a zero tolerance of hate crime and we will continue to be a diverse city regardless of what happens.</p> <p>JH stated that the city's Connections Service, which is no longer, will now be locality based. From early August for the ENE area there will be a dedicated worker for young people who are currently NEET based at the 3 hubs; Reginald Centre (2 days), Compton Centre (2 days) and South Seacroft (1 day). Children's Services are working on how this information will be shared and this needs to be passed down to the partnerships.</p> <p>Actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Coupar suggested that Christine could have some airtime on Harehills Hour. Link to be made. • Cllr Coupar also suggested that Foundation for Peace link up with the resettlement programme for Syrian & Afghan refugees regarding the work with survivors programme. Cllr feels that these people would really benefit from the programme. 	LE AM/ JM
5.	<p>Discussion Topic 3 - Private Sector Housing</p> <p>JM/MI presented a report on Private Sector Housing issues. Each of the</p>	

	<p>emerging Neighbourhood Improvements Plans has a unique set of priorities and actions. However, there is a high degree of commonality across the inner areas of Chapeltown, Harehills, Burmantofts and Richmond Hill in relation to the impact of the private sector housing market.</p> <p>Local partners have sought to innovate and develop new ways of working to tackle access to services issues and poverty, many partners have articulated the impact of poor housing and overcrowded housing in the areas. Progress has been made in some areas to improve the environment and integrated working is starting to produce more bespoke solutions to the environmental challenges.</p> <p>The Neighbourhood Partnerships have identified some of the issues and challenges that need further discussion.</p> <p>Actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JM suggested a strategic Inner East Private Sector Housing workshop to explore the issues in greater depth and outline resource options and challenge. <p>JM gave thanks to colleagues for supporting the Neighbourhood Improvement Partnerships.</p>	JM
6.	<p>Next steps</p> <p>Cllr Coupar stated that she is delighted by the steps that we have taken in the meeting. She looks forward to the updates at the next meeting. She suggests that we look at the areas of Gipton and Seacroft at the next meeting. If you have any suggestions on discussions that can take place at the next meeting please forward those.</p>	
7.	<p>Any other business</p> <p>LJ states that the Connect Well subscribing service was launching at the Reginald Centre on 14th July between 12-2pm.</p> <p>CW stated that the date of the next meeting is 4th October not 6th as the agenda suggested.</p>	
8.	<p>Date of next meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4th October 2016 at Dame Fanny Waterman Centre • 17th January 2017 (venue tbc) 	



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Name	Department
Cllr Debra Coupar	
Jane Maxwell	Area Leader, Communities Team ENE
Andrew Birkbeck	Acting Area Improvement Manager, Communities Team ENE
Clare Wiggins	Area Improvement Manager, Communities Team ENE
Satbinder Soor	Youth Service
Jan Hopkins	Employment & Skills
Sgt Lucy Leadbeater	West Yorkshire Police
John Woolmer	Locality Team ENE
Matthew Birkett	Waste Management
Joanne Buck	Neighbourhood Manager Gipton & Seacroft
Rob McCartney	Housing Support
Mark Ireland	Housing Support
Gillian Mayfield	Targeted Services, Children's Services
Cllr Eileen Taylor	Ward Councillor, Chapel Allerton
David Longthorpe	Housing Management
Lucy Jackson	Public Health
Laura Eagle	Area Officer Harehills, Communities Team ENE
Kelly Stephenson	LASBT
Shaid Mahmood	
Cllr Kamila Maqsood	Ward Councillor
Cllr Catherine Dobson	Ward Councillor
Cllr Brian Selby	Ward Councillor
Cllr Jane Dowson	Ward Councillor, Chapel Allerton
Cllr Arif Hussain	Ward Councillor
Cllr Asghar Khan	Ward Councillor, Burmantofts and Richmond Hill
Cllr Mohammed Rafique	Ward Councillor
Susan Murray	
Beverley Yearwood	Community Safety Officer
CI Ian Croft	West Yorkshire Police
Jill Wildman	
Liz Bailey	Public Health
Ian Kenning	Area Officer Burmantofts and Richmond Hill, Communities Team ENE
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Kerri Evans	
Liz Jarmin	
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