

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

Date: Thursday 29th November 2007

Present: Cllr T Hanley

G Forster (West AMT), P Miles, P Ward, A Maskill, J Frost, J Pearson (warden), P Green, M Pryce, J Dix, K Donnelly, N Gibson, H Garrand, A Hutchinson, T Knapton, A Iqbal, M Law, I Hirst, S Withers, S McBarron, S Longley, T Sykes, S Jekkel, S Fothergill, C Brown, M Wright, J Quimby, J Bedford.

ACTION

1.00 WELCOME

1.01 Vice –chair Jean Bedford Chaired the meeting due to Cllr Atkinson being ill, everyone gave their best wishes and a speedy recovery

1.02 **APOLOGIES** – Cllr Taggart, Cllr Atkinson, J Springer, M Tyson, J Preston,

2.00 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING – agreed.

3.00 Matters Arising –

3.01 Cllr Hanley recapped on some of the issues around Bramley Community Centre

4.00 Policing Issues – Police / PCSOs – Insp. Mohammed

4.01 Insp. Mohammed gave a brief overview of his past roles and the Bramley beat.

4.02 Criminal damage – last 8 weeks similar level to 8 weeks before which is very good due to having to deal with bonfire night etc.

We do need it to start raining soon to keep the kids indoors to help keep the figures low.

4.03 ASB calls down by 50 from 8 weeks before.

4.04 Theft of motor vehicle – down on previous 8 weeks. Theft from motor vehicles also down

4.05 Targeting 3 prosecutions to businesses for under age drinking

4.06 Question

'why can't all areas have smartwater?'

- only issue is funding, police / partner agencies have to apply for additional funding to complete the scheme.

4.07 Capture cars being deployed, looking to the potential of capture houses in partnership with WNWHL

5.00 Bramley Shopping Centre – Ian Hirst

5.01 The centre has been under new management (Hallidales) for 2.5 years and investing heavily in the centre.

5.02 Great news is that Tesco's have taken the old Sommerfield site and are paying rent. Farmfoods are coming in, and another large national chain also looking to move on to the site in January.

5.03 The new escalator is being fitted in January, lift nearing completion. Taxi rank being confirmed at the rear to easy parking at the front.

5.04 Planning permission is in place for 3 units on the Bramley Town Street side, some issues through the detail of the plans but these are being discussed further due to small changes to the proposals.

5.05 Viewpoint is still an issue for lettings

6.00 Andrew Hutchinson – YEP Bramley Today website

6.01 Yorkshire Evening Post has reacted to needs of the people so has set up community based websites. www.bramleytoday.co.uk

6.02 The website is updated daily, with things like the Xmas carol factor including Raynville Primary School. 10,000 hits in the first week the site was up and running.

6.03 Any community stories welcomed, please contact Andrew on (0113) 2388377 or Andrew.hutchinson@ypn.co.uk

7.00 Youth Service update – Kevin Donnelly (LCC YOUTH Service) & Janice Dix (BARCA Leeds)

7.01 Regarding the charging issues raised both earlier in this meeting but also at the last meeting, Kevin will be contacting all relevant parties in the coming week to confirm what is going on. **KD**

7.02 The current perception in the area is that there are no activities on for young people in the area. This is not the case and a copy of the provision will be sent out with the next minutes.

7.03 Current news included the Young peoples awards scheme and the continuing success of the mobile youth provision.

7.04 Currently delivering schemes in centres such as Fairfields and Broadleas etc. some school based schemes, detached work and some sports groups.

7.05 Currently developments on a joint connexions project with both BARCA and LCC Youth Service.

7.06 Security currently getting upgraded to allow a move in to Bramley Community Centre by the end of January. Working towards 5 nights a week for youth clubs. Cllr Hanley wants no disruption to the older people with any changes to the centre. KD confirmed that there were no plans to close the centre at any point through the renovation works.

7.07 The Rosfields group raised concerns about lack of provision on the estate. Youth service outlined some of the activities in the area but agreed that maybe the publicity could be better.

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

8.00 AOB

8.01 Q8 filling station on Broad Lane - Peter Green – issues around the site for the last 7 years. Needs to be taken further soon or the press will need to be involved. Cllr Hanley updated the group on the current position of a planning application and the reasons to why there is no current build planned for the site.

**9.00 Dates of meetings in 2007 - 31st January 2008
27th March 2008**