

**Present:**

Councillor Keith Parker (Chair), Cllr James Lewis (LCC), Martin Hackett (ELAM, LCC), Lynne White (ELAM, LCC), Cllr Paul Spivey (Kippax PC), Cllr Derrick Morgan (Kippax PC), Maria Melton (Methley and Mickletown R.A.), David Hodgson (Methley and Mickletown R.A.), Michael Johnson (Methley Resident), P J Roden (OPSG), B E Walton (Kippax T & R), John Goodall (Allerton Bywater Community Assoc), Brian Bird (Green Lane NHW), Arthur Rosser (Allerton Bywater Community Assoc), PC Sally Morrison (West Yorkshire Police), PC Paul Rogers (West Yorkshire Police), Pat Samy (Kippax in Bloom), Cllr Doug Morley (Kippax PC)

**Apologies:** Cllr Wakefield, Harold Wilson, Simon Norman, Joanne Harper

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Welcome / Introductions and Apologies</b>	Action
1.1	Councillor Parker welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> December 2008</b>	
2.1	Minutes agreed as a true record	
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Matters arising from those minutes</b>	
3.1	KP - 2.1 re: Kippax Community Centre Management Committee, KP confirmed he was meeting senior officers next Wednesday to ask about rent and this will be addressed at that meeting	
3.2	MJ – 9.1 response from school re: complaint about venue for the forum i.e. lack of tables and uncomfortable etc. MH did take this up but had no response, will chase up	
<b>4.0</b>	<b>10 Minute open floor</b>	
4.1	MM – Raised issue of Policing changing in the area and concerned that Methley will be covered by Garforth and was worried about lack of response time and asked that this issue be put to the Inspector. MM will be writing to the Inspector	
4.2	MM – Raised issue of Highways – Methley residents are not happy with the service i.e. jobs not getting done or are half finished and would like for their concerns to be reported to Highways.	
4.3	MM – Cleansing – not satisfied with the service Methley receive. Dog waste is a major issue and because of lack of bin emptying dog waste is put in bags and is being left in piles, also complained at lack of dog wardens. BW also complained about Street Scene because they also had problems at Kippax with dog waste not being cleared. DM said he was told this was due to lack of funding why new dog bins cannot be installed. KP informed he had spoken to Roger Foyle and there would be money in the budget for replacement of bins. DM said there are not enough bins in Kippax and that Kippax PC has done a questionnaire and this issue is mentioned time and time again.	
4.4	MM – No further mention of Methley and Mickletown in Bloom village entrance signs. Cllr Lewis will take this up.	

<b>5.0</b>	<b>Community Safety</b>	
5.1	PC Rogers introduced PC Sally Morrison. PC Rogers referred to MM's issue re policing in Methley and said they will explore basing officers in Methley before August. KP said he had spoken to Inspector Belton re issue from Methley Tenants Meeting and the possibility of looking at a venue in Methley and PCSO's having use of a car. With regard to Major Crime PC Rogers assured MM that the response time will not suffer because this is covered by emergency response teams.	
5.2	PC Rogers handed out statistics up to the 21 <sup>st</sup> February and explained figures. Allerton Bywater figures also covers Swillington. There was a sharp rise in Kippax in Burglaries in December which is often the case just before Christmas. With regard to assaults the vast majority took place behind closed doors and not in public. ASB figures, Kippax had 51 reported, there had been 124 calls but on 51 were actual ASB.	
5.3	JL informed that a gentleman had been assaulted and had made the headlines, there were six arrested and one youth admitted he had done it and is going to court. PS said he had been outside her shop earlier and he was quite intimidating	
5.4	DM said PCSO's were handing out leaflets in Castleford which he thought was a good idea and when he asked our PCSO's if they could do the same.	
5.5	DM said things have now gone much quieter. PC Rogers said they are becoming a pest to the youths causing problems and had also done test purchasing two weeks ago and nobody in Kippax failed; one in Garforth and one in Allerton Bywater had failed.	
5.6	SE said that groups of youths intimidated all ages across the board not just the elderly. Sgt Goodwill had formulated a news letter to hand out to parents saying "Do you know what your child is doing". Offenders are put in the Police car and taken them home, which also impacts on the parents.	
5.7	DM said there is also a questionnaire gone out to every house in Kippax and 80% had been returned mentioning youths behaviour and will ask the Inspector to attend a meeting when the questionnaire results are addressed.	
5.8	MM asked how to get hold of road accident statistics, JL said Leeds City Council has these because Leeds City Council shares database with Insurance and if nobody injured then the Police are not always aware of an accident because it would not have been reported to them.	
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Youth Service and Activities for Young People</b>	
6.1	SE informed that she was moving on to another post on a one year secondment at Garforth Community College – Extended Services on the 1 <sup>st</sup> March. Adrian Lee will be Sharon's replacement and Sharon will update him. Adrian will be attending the Forums and she will let the Councillors have his details as soon as possible. Adrian will be taking up his post officially on the 7 <sup>th</sup> April.	
6.2	SE will be covering the holiday programs over Easter and informed that most of the programs are now full.	
6.3	MM asked about a pod for the local youths. SE said Methley already has a centre and Pods are usually for areas where there are no facilities as they are quite expensive to run with staffing, lighting etc.	
6.4	JL asked how busy is the Youth Club at Methley and how was the Youth Shelter going – this is ok. SE informed of the mobile youth provision which cost £26,000	

	to cover both areas i.e. hotspots. SE said she would give MM Adrian's contact details	
6.5	MM asked about the pod from Swillington going to Methley, SE said it would need staffing, MM said it could go to Saville Park, SE said she would need to speak to Adrain Lee to see if the mobile meets their provision before spending money on a pod. DM said he had made enquiries about the pod 12 months ago and was told it was a bus shelter. Police are happy with youth shelters which are cheaper in the long term.	
6.6	KP thanked Sharon for all her efforts over the past years and wished her well for the future	
<b>7.0</b>	<b>Town and District Centre Regeneration</b>	
7.1	MH said before discussing regeneration could he just point out that Simon Norman, Neighbourhood Warden could be contacted in relation to cleansing issues, dog fouling, ASB as he has a PDA which enables him to have direct contact with the Council and can make sure that these issues are enforced through the correct department. Simon covers Methley, Kippax and Allerton Bywater and his number is 07891 278378. JL said he could be invited to the Methley Residents meeting.	
7.2	MH informed that work had started on three main sites	
7.3	DM said he will make contact with Neil who rents the Tyre premises in relation to the Bollards instead of Helen Tipping.	
7.4	PS was concerned about the barriers surrounding the works as they had blown over and a pedestrian had fallen. Work will be done over the next two weekends to try and avoid these problems.	
7.5	SE said Kippax Cabin was an eye sore with broken cars up the back street. MH said to inform Simon Norman, Neighbourhood Warden.	
7.6	PS enquired if the street furniture would be completed on time, MH informed it would be done by early to mid April.	
7.7	DM mentioned the new bin in the viewing area; KP informed this was in hand. DM said the area had been cleaned last week.	
<b>8.0</b>	<b>Date of Next meeting</b>	
8.1	The date of the next meeting would be at 6.00 p.m. at Brigshaw Language College, date to be confirmed at the next Area Committee	