

West Leeds Area Management 3rd floor Pudsey Town Hall Lowtown LS28 7BL

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

Date: Thursday 31st January 2008

Present: J. B. Quimby, K. Smith, M Pryce, J Upton, J Pearson, J Glennon, P Bond, P Ward, M Smith, T Edwards, L Haworth, I Hirst, J Foster, C Broadbent

ACTION

| 1.00 1.01 | WELCOME Acknowledgement that the weather was really bad which led t the low attendance. APOLOGIES – Cllr Hanley, E & B Rayworth, P Green, J Preston, K Donnelly, M Tyson, P Miles | |
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| 2.00 | MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING – agreed. | |
| 3.00 3.01 | Matters Arising – All items covered in main agenda | |
| 4.00 4.01 | Policing Issues – Police / PCSOs – Sgt. Glennon Sgt. Glennon gave a brief overview of the current reductions in crime in the North West Division, overall crime down by 1500 compared to this time last year and 6000 from 2 years ago. | |
| 4.02 4.03 | Robberies are not an issue currently in the Bramley & Stanningley Ward. There is a issue of theft from motor vehicles in the Landseers and surrounding areas, the Police have reacted to this and altered the shift patterns to give a presence in the area till 2am. This action has to date had a significant impact and will be continued to reduce this issue as best as possible. | |
| 4.04 | Theft of motor vehicle – down on previous 8 weeks. Criminal damage also down on the previous 8 weeks. | |
| 4.05 | PC's and PCSO's working very hard in the area which shows in the figures. the issue of a lack of ASB contact was noted by a number of Residents group. All issues around ASB can be referred through your local Neighbourhood warden. | |
| | Confirmation of the current staffing situation will be confirmed for the next meeting | GF |
| 4.06 4.07 | Details of all local police surgeries to go out with minutes New scheme being run which means that if there is any quiet time during the night, 2 pro-active team cars will default to the Bramley Area | GF |
| 4.08 | 600 properties leafleted on the Fairfields regarding the potential of a Neighbourhood watch group for the area. Police to keep the group informed of future developments. | |
| 4.09 | Residents of the broadleas raised the potential of having Smartwater in their estate. Funding would have to be secured for this to occur but it will be investigated, ie numbers of properties potential funding sources etc. | GF |

5.00 Bramley Shopping Centre – Ian Hirst

- 5.01 Tescos have confirmed that it will be operating over 2 floors with the main entrance to the rear of the centre. This is also where Farm foods will be situated in the new units. Farm foods will be opening in the next month.
- 5.02 The escalator and the lift are both installed and working but have to be checked by the insurance company so that they can be in full use. This will be taking place in the next 2 weeks.
- 5.03 Planning permissions have been granted for the 3 units on the front of the centre
- 5.04 Planning also given for the conversion of Viewpoint in to flats. The plans for all improvements will be in the centre managers office soon, and residents are welcome to go along and see them.
- 5.05 The front car park will be re-modelled in April, this will include the loss of 45 parking spaces from the front of the site.
- 5.06 Jack Fulton's opened today, worries also addressed over the rumours of another gambling place in the centre. This type of establishment is not in any of the current plans for the long term future of the centre.

6.00 Julie Upton – Bramley Churches update

- Julie is the team Vicar for the parish of Bramley (St Peters, St Margrets and the Church in Rodley)
- The parish is currently helping out Trinity Church by allowing them to use the buildings at St Peters until all of the works have been completed at their church. This arrangement could be for some time due to issues with the contract for the works, but the uniform groups for example will be carrying on in various venues.
- 6.03 St Margaret's there has always been poor access to the Church, the works currently being completed give full disabled access. The funding for this was raised over the last couple of years by the parish.
- 6.03 St. Peters fund raising still going on for the improvements to the spire, some works can be done now to make the structure safe. Unfortunately the Heritage bid was unsuccessful as was the people's millions funding. The adjacent building was refurbished in the 1970's and funding is required again to allow the building to be used as a community space.
- **7.00** Inner Area Committee Co-opted Representative feedback Jean was unable to attend.

8.00 AOB

- 8.01 Friends of Bramley Falls wood 2 representatives of the group came to the meeting to drum up support for the newly created group. They are planning to hold a hands on work day on Sunday 17th February @ the car park in the woods.
- 8.02 The crossing on Leeds / Bradford any progress? Cllr Atkinson informed the group that there had been no updates since the last meeting This again will be an issue in the summer when the young children are crossing the road to use the facilities in the park. GF to investigate further.

9.00 Dates of meetings in 2008 - 27th March 2008 29th May 2008 31st July 2008

GF