

**Kirkstall Burley Forum
Minutes of the meeting held on 17th June 2008, 7.00pm
Burley Methodist Church**

Present:	Cllr John Illingworth	Chair, LCC Ward Councillor
	Cllr Lucinda Yeadon	LCC Kirkstall Ward Councillor
	Cllr Bernard Atha	LCC Kirkstall Ward Councillor
	Liz Minkin	Resident
	Steve Rennie	Hawksworth Wood Community Association (HWCA)
	Lars Jeuken	Spennings Hill Residents Association
	Martin Walker	Argie Avenue
	Barbara & Ken Salter	HWCA
	E Roberts	HWCA
	Bill Mckinnon	Friends of Woodhouse Moor (FOWM)
	A Crome	Local Resident
	J Crome	Local Resident
	Steve Harris	Beecroft Primary/ Kirkstall Festival
	Steve Whik	Local Resident
	John & Eileen Woods	Local Residents
	Simon Dobbs	Local Resident
	Amanda Searle	Local Resident
	Janet Bailey	FOWM, SHCA, DPPOCC
	Keith Collridge	Gilbert & Sandfords Residents Association
	Robert Marriott	Gilbert & Sandfords Residents Association
	Sue Mills	Local Resident
	Natalia Gerodetts	Local Resident
	Oliver Clark	Local Resident
	Kate Page	Local Resident
	Hannah Lewis	Local Resident
	Mercia Southern	Local Resident
	Andrew Wilson Lambeta	Local Resident
	Helen Miller	Local Resident
	Douglas Kemp	Spennings Lane Residents Association
	J Kemp	Chair, Supporting the Elderly People (STEP)
	Andrew Milne Beresford	Hyde Park Unity Day
	Amit Roy	Hyde Park Unity Day
	P Owen	Spennings Lane Residents Association
	Catherine Simpson	Kirkstall Festival Committee
	Jean Bosomworth	Haddon Avenue Resident
	Jean Mellor	Haddon Avenue Resident
	Kerry & Andrew Poole	Local Resident
	Jane Moran	Local Resident
	Roger Moran	Kirkstall Festival Committee
	Jo Mingham	Local Resident
	Steve Rennie	Hawksworth Wood Community Association
	Ken & Sheila Waterworth	KVCA
	Richard Hughes	Local Residents
	Inspector Ian Croft	West Yorkshire Police

Inspector Fran Naughton	West Yorkshire Police
Shirley Moran	Hands off Our Homes (Cross Green)
Maureen Aylward	Hands off Our Homes (East End Park)
Tony Garner	Yorkshire Evening Post
Steve Gradys	Deputy Chair KVCA
Pat Gradys	Local Resident

Officers in Attendance:

Sarah Charlton	North West Area Management Team
Andrew Crates	Community Planner

ACTION

1.0 INTRODUCTIONS AND APOLOGIES

1.1 Apologies were received from Ken Torode and Cath Simpson.

Councillor Illingworth welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1.2 Minutes of the last meeting were agreed as a correct record.

2.0 MATTERS ARISING

3.1 – Butcher Hill Fields; Cllr Illingworth reported that there had not yet been a planning application received for this site.

2.0 – Kirkstall Forge Key Message; It was noted that issues around the allocation of S106 monies were still being discussed and that it remained crucial that consultation be carried out on how the monies are spent .

3.0 MAJOR LOCAL DEVELOPMENTS

3.1 Leeds Girls High School

A report has been presented to Executive Board on the future of the Leeds Girls High School site. Sue Buckle noted that she was concerned about the classification of pitches as playing pitches and whether this represented a downgrade in protection. The future of the swimming pool was also discussed with a general feeling that it would be beneficial to the local community if it was retained for community use.

St Ann's& Abbey Mills

3.2 Cllr Illingworth updated the Forum on the proposals for St Ann's Mill. A report to Executive Board had resulted in the following resolutions (the full report and minutes are available on www.leeds.gov.uk) :

(a) That the Board notes:

(i) the failure to identify a suitable partner to manage the Council's Small Industrial Unit (SIU) portfolio

(ii) the failure to identify a suitable partner and to receive a credible

offer for St Ann's Mills, Kirkstall

(b) That disposals in support of the Capital Programme be agreed as follows:

- (i) selected miscellaneous investment properties as detailed in Appendix E Tables 3a and 3b of the report
- (ii) the farm buildings and gardens, but not the associated farm land, of the agricultural properties detailed in Appendix E Table 2a.
- (iii) the selected small industrial unit properties detailed in Appendix E Table 1a (including St Ann's Mills, Kirkstall), subject to discussion with ward members on details relating to the proposed Ledston Luck disposal.

3.3 Cllr Illingworth voiced his concern over the decision and was supported by many members of the forum. There is a community aspiration to take on the building as a community asset and to retain access to the riverside from this site. Members of the Forum were unhappy with the sale of green space in the Kirkstall area.

3.4 Members of the Forum urged that the St Ann's Mill site should be properly maintained whilst discussions are ongoing about the future of the site.

3.5 Bill Mckinnon proposed a petition to demonstrate support for the retention of St Ann's Mills whilst a range of options be examined. The Forum supported the petition which was distributed.

3.5 Simon George, a local resident asked whether the mill was open to the public to look around. It isn't at the moment but it was suggested that he contact Leeds Civic Trust to propose it for the 'heritage open day' weekend in September.

3.6 **Key Message – That Leeds City Council encourage a public debate on a wide range of options on the future of St Anns Mills in Kirkstall, before disposing of the site.**

3.7 PPG17 Audit

This is a central Government requirement to examine greenspace use across the district and to carry out an analysis of need. 7000 questionnaires have been sent out to residents across the City. This is the start of the process and further consultation will be carried out. There was general concern that this would not give a sufficient level of consultation on an issue that is of high concern locally. Only one member of the forum had received a questionnaire in the post.

4.0 POLICE UPDATE

4.1 Insp Caldwell introduced himself and explained that there has recently been a restructuring of the Neighbourhood Policing Teams with the result that there are now more staff to cover the Inner North West.

Anyone with issues or concerns can contact the team on aa.nptwinner@westyorkshire.pnn.police.uk

4.2 A question was raised about the Police charges levied at the Kirkstall Festival last year. Insp Croft gave reassurance that charges would not be levied this year.

5.0 KIRKSTALL VISION

5.1 Work on a Kirkstall Vision has been ongoing over the last 12 months resulting in a questionnaire that asks the community how they would like to see Kirkstall develop in the future.

5.2 The questionnaire will be delivered through local community groups and organisations and through schools. There is a freepost address on the back of the questionnaire for all returns. The questionnaire is online at www.kirkstall-vision.org/questionnaire.htm copies will be sent out with meeting minutes to those who receive the minutes in the post.

6.0 RESIDENTS PARKING & 20mph ZONES

6.1 Cllr Illingworth noted that many residents support 20mph restrictions in residential areas but are not always supportive of the use of speed bumps.

6.2 Insp. Croft explained that the Police do carry out speed checks in the 20mph areas but that they are not constantly monitored as there are other priorities.

6.3 Cllr Illingworth noted that there continue to be residents parking problems on the Haddon's and on Cardigan Lane which will be monitored.

7.0 HOUSING MARKET

7.1 Cllr Illingworth noted that some landlords were selling properties and moving out of the area. Anyone with concerns over specific properties can report it to one of the Ward Councillors.

8.0 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

8.1 Elida Gibbs – There has been no movement on the Elida Gibbs planning application and it is likely that a further application will be made. Residents on St Ann's Gardens would like the area to be kept as greenspace and strongly support it being left as an open area that encourages imaginative play.

9.0 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

9.1 7th October, 7pm venue – Milford Sports Club, Beecroft Street