

## Minutes from Halton Moor and East Osmondthorpe Forum 23 February 2010 Halton Moor One Stop Centre

## Appendix 3 Present:

Cllr Mick Lyons (Chair), Cllr David Schofield, Martin Hackett (South East Area Management), James Nundy (SE AMT, minutes), Maggie Bellwood (LCC EASEL regeneration), Susan Upton (LCC – Waste Management), Andrew Lingham (LCC – WM), Andrea Dolan (East North East Homes), Vicki Hooper (ENEH), K. Townend (Save Our Homes and Environment), Gladys Townend (SOH&E), D. Gill (SOH&E), V. Broadley (SOH&E), Rev. Mark Heather (St Wilfrid's Church), PCSO 226 Vicky Robinson (West Yorkshire Police), PC1159 Ian Phillips (WYP), Rachael Rowley (Affinity Sutton)

## **Apologies:**

Inspector Tom Harrison (WYP), Dayvid Cox (ENEH), Wendy Rogers (Neighbourhood Warden), Ron Bool (Osmondthorpe TRA), Virgil Meikle (LCC - Youth Service)

1.0	Welcome / introductions / apologies	Action
1.1	Cllr Lyons welcomed everybody to the meeting, introductions were made and the above apologies noted.	
2.0	Minutes from 24 November 2009	
2.1	Agreed as accurate.	
3.0	Matters arising from those minutes	
3.1	(9.1) Housing downsizing scheme – update to be given in item 9	
4.0	10 minute open floor	
4.1	<ul> <li>Save Our Homes and Environment - Gladys</li> <li>Issues were raised about the demolition of properties on Osmondthorpe Lane.</li> <li>Shanklin own the site but aren't sure that they will do with it at the moment - could be a railway siding or a mixed use development with housing at the back</li> <li>The Land Use Framework is not yet approved - was due back in November 2009. It is currently suspended</li> <li>Residents need to know what is going to happen as a matter of urgency. Maggie Bellwood to find out and let them know</li> <li>MB also offered to set up a special meeting with SOH&amp;E and the EASEL Team</li> </ul>	MB MB
5.0	Residual waste treatment proposals	
5.01	In Leeds we are already recycling 30% of our household waste, but need to do more. We are aiming to recycle over half of Leeds' household waste by 2020 but there will still be waste that can't be recycled economically. If we do not massively reduce the amount of waste we bury Leeds could be fined, with taxpayers footing the bill. We need to build a new facility to treat this rubbish; otherwise it will be buried in the ground which is bad for the environment, it's a waste of resources and it's bad for your wallet.	
5.02	<ul> <li>The following handouts were tabled:</li> <li>What is Leeds doing with its waste?</li> <li>The City's Waste Solution – technologies and bidders</li> </ul>	
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5.03	<ul> <li>Information on the health effects if waste incineration The process began in 2008 with the government offering £68.8 million. The long list contained 2000 sites across the city, but as of February 2010, the shortlist now contains two sites from two different companies:</li> <li>Aire Valley Environmental with a site at Knowsthorpe sewage treatment site</li> <li>Veolia Environmental Services with a site at the former wholesale market site at Cross Green</li> </ul>	
5.04	<ul> <li>The site would run a three phase operation:</li> <li>1. Mechanical pre-treatment: machines to extract recyclables</li> <li>2. Incinerator - to produce electricity</li> <li>3. Use the waste ash to make products such as breeze blocks</li> </ul>	
5.05	Preferred bidder is expected late 2010.	
5.06	Planning decision expected late 2011.	
5.07	It was noted that local residents have not had any consultation up to now.	
5.08	Summary of historic consultations to be put together by the Waste Management Team. The summary should include information on which factors were considered to get from 2000 sites down to two.	SU/AL
5.09	Reservations about the plans can be put forward following the formal planning consultation in 2011.	
5.10	Planning Officers were requested for future forums.	
5.11	It will be a Private Finance Initiative (PFI) between the Council and the preferred bidder.	
5.12	<ul> <li>Traffic impact</li> <li>Overall waste collection would remain the same - the number of lorries on the road will remain broadly similar</li> <li>86% of household waste (22,000 tonnes per year) collected goes to Skelton Grange landfill site</li> <li>Recycling rate will increase from 30% to 50% (figures based on future growth of the city) ie less will be sent to the processing plant</li> </ul>	
5.12	<ul> <li>Capacity of the sites</li> <li>Cross Green would be 190,000 tonnes per year</li> <li>Knowstrop would be 230,000 tonnes per year</li> </ul>	
5.13	1% of waste could be from outside of Leeds but it should be stressed that it would not be the case of whole sale import from other places.	
5.14	Environmental permits would be required and the emissions would be constantly monitored.	
6.0	Land at the site of the former Whitebridge School – Affinity Sutton	
6.1	Purchase of the site is complete and management responsibility is with Affinity Sutton. There are no immediate plans for the site which has been land banked for future use, when the market recovers. A scheme for two and three bedroom houses (and a few four bedroom houses) is expected to be worked up from	

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	2012. The site is to be fenced in the near future.	
6.2	When the draft proposals are ready, Affinity Sutton offered to come back to the Forum to give an update.	
6.3	The site is not an EASEL development site. It was rejected by Bellway.	
6.4	Affinity Sutton are a registered provider of affordable housing.	
6.5	<b>Current development site</b> 54 properties are due for handover in September / October 2010. Lettings will be by nomination via the choice based lettings system	
7.0	Community Safety	
7.1	<b>Police update</b> PC Phillips ran though the crime statistics for the ward. Highlights included overall crime level is down on the last six week period by 18.6% for example including ASB and rowdy behaviour, however vehicle crime is up.	
7.2	Current hotspots are Selby Road and Neville Road	
7.3	Prominent time for calls is 6-9pm.	
7.4	PACT meetings were highlighted.	
7.5	The Police were commended by the Forum.	
7.6	<b>Neighbourhood Warden</b> The neighbourhood warden service has now ceased. Nearly all of the wardens have now taken up posts as either Community Environmental Officers (CEOs) or Community Environmental Support Officers (CESOs). Appointments were made on 19 February 2010 but are still to be allocated their areas.	
7.7	The new posts have an environmental enforcement / action and community engagement role.	
7.8	Outer East had 2.75 neighbourhood wardens, and this has now been reduced to 2.5 CESOs. Area Committee may choose to increase that number from its Well Being budget. A meeting of Outer East Area Committee is scheduled to determine deployment and additional funding. A strong case is being put to Area Committee for a dedicated warden for Halton Moor and East Osmondthorpe	
8.0	Youth Service	
8.1	Virgil Meikle sent his apologies, but Vicki Hooper gave a brief update.	
8.2	Been working with Youth Offending Service and some new staff are coming to the area in the near future.	
8.3	Any questions can be sent directly to Virgil.	
9.0	Update from East North East Homes - Vicki Hooper	

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9.1	There are 33 open ASB cases. A mini-tasking group has been set up with the One Stop Centre and Youth Service to help with breaches of tenancy Three ASB cases have been sent to ASBU following burglaries in the area	
9.2	Groundwork Leeds and the area panels have been working on the Halton Moor Master Plan which is an environmental project	
9.3	The target for rent collections is 97%. ENEH are currently achieving 97.65% collection rate.	
9.4	Including the Gipton estate, ENEH have 77 voids. Approximately 30 are in Halton moor and East Osmondthorpe.	
9.5	The downsizing scheme is still open. You receive $\pounds 1000$ for every bedroom you release by taking a lower demand property.	
10.0	AOB and next meeting	
10.1	<ul> <li>Road and pavement audit of Neville Close, Approach and Garth in November 2009:</li> <li>Photos are still with Wendy Rogers (Martin Hackett to chase)</li> <li>No action yet</li> </ul>	МН
10.2	Garden audit took place two weeks ago, so the letters were sent out last week.	
10.3	Next meeting date to be set by Area Committee.	