

**Minutes from North Whinmoor Forum
14 December 2009
Fieldhead Carr Primary School**
Present:

Cllr Peter Gruen (Chair), Cllr Suzi Armitage, Cllr Pauleen Grahame, Sam Lowe (South East Area Management), Dennis Holmes (LCC - Adult Social Care), Pam Parker (Aire Valley Homes Leeds), Shelly Musik (LCC – ASC), PC 5440 Healy (West Yorkshire Police), CO 869 Dutton (WYP), PCSO 803 Deakin (WYP), Sharon Smith (Whinmoor Bowling Club), Rita Green (WBC), D Smith (resident), Derek Lawrence (LCC - Youth Service), Dennis Faulkner (Skelton Woods Environmental Group), Mike Weaver (Neighbourhood Warden), James Nundy (SE AMT, minutes)

Apologies:

Nick Edensor (Head teacher Fieldhead Carr Primary), Mechelle Myers (Wellington Hill Residents Assoc), Jane Greenwood (AVHL), Linda Bowen

| 1.0 | Welcome / introductions / apologies | Action |
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| 1.1 | Cllr Gruen welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made. | |
| 2.0 | Minutes from 21 September 2009 | |
| 2.1 | Agreed as accurate. | |
| 3.0 | Matters arising from those minutes | |
| 3.1 | (3.1) Highways issues on Coal Road Update to follow in due course. Area management to request the information before the next forum. | SL |
| 3.2 | (7.1) PFI Street lighting programme Hebdens and Ashwoods were completed five weeks ago, but some of the streets appear to have dark spots. Alan Brummitt has been requested to do a site visit to ensure everything is as it should be. | AB |
| 4.0 | 10 minute open floor | |
| 4.1 | No issues. | |
| 5.0 | Day Centre update – Adult Services | |
| 5.1 | Further to (6.0) from the last forum... Dennis Holmes provided an update regarding the proposed changes to the local Day Centre services. | |
| 5.2 | Naburn Court and Doreen Hamilton Centre remain open three days a week (Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday). A letter about the changes to the days of operation will be sent to the users after Christmas. | |
| 5.3 | Decisions are expected in late January / early February and it is expected that all requests will be accommodated. | |
| 5.4 | There will not be any capital investment in the day centres. | |
| 5.5 | Ward members requested updates and discussions on proposals and | SM / DH |

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| 5.6 | progress. Councillor Gruen requested a copy of the plans. | SM |
| 5.7 | [6:20pm Cllr Grahame arrived] | |
| 6.0 | Whinmoor Warriors issues – Sam Lowe | |
| 6.1 | The revised Pricing and Lettings Policy introduced charges and discounts for its charges for building hire, resulting in significant cost to Whinmoor Warriors. However, the policy has now been revised and it has since been agreed to charge the club for the changing rooms only. The Warriors are also exempt from other room charges as they are now classified as a weekend venue. | |
| 6.2 | The Outer East Area Committee approved an initial application for floodlighting and revised options are now being looked into, with consultation with local residents etc. | |
| 6.3 | LCC Parks and Countryside are investigating the drainage issues on the top pitch and appropriate action to take to rectify problems. | |
| 7.0 | Whitelaithe Approach shops – Sam Lowe | |
| 7.1 | Community safety at the shops will be improved as funding for a CCTV system has been approved and will hopefully be installed in January 2010. All being well, it will be monitored at Killingbeck Police Station subject to the necessary approvals. | |
| 8.0 | Grimes Dyke planning application – Sam Lowe | |
| 8.1 | A planning application for Grimes Dyke has been submitted for 500 dwellings however it has been refused by LCC Planning as it conflicts with the policy of using brownfield sites rather than Greenfield sites, the layout of the site and access issues. | |
| 8.2 | The roads are also of concern, as is the non-sustainability of the plan and bio-diversity losses (eg loss of trees, bats, birds and greenspace) | |
| 8.3 | There is also no provision for affordable housing. | |
| 8.4 | The contractors have appealed. | |
| 9.0 | Community Safety | |
| 9.1 | Report from the Police <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 52% of the known criminals are currently in prison • There have been 15 more calls this year compared to the same period last year • PubWatch is being reinstated • Burglary of sheds and garages is on the increase – peak time is afternoons and early evenings • Patio doors have become a recent target for entry to properties via lifting or smashing the glass • Naburn View has had a spate of damages to cars – wing mirrors being knocked off | |
| 9.2 | Cllr Grahame requested a log of all calls to the Police re the local area, so the forum can see the priorities | Police |

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| 9.3 | <p>Report from the Neighbourhood Warden – Mike Weaver (tel :07891 279 200)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High visibility patrols ongoing • Still getting reports of ASB at Verona’s Pizza shop • A mini-moto has been seized from the Redhalls area • Visited sheltered housing complexes and schools • There is an Operation Champion coming to the area later this week • LCC Street cleansing are catching up with their backlog • Will be playing the role of Santa at Fieldhead Community Centre on 21 December – an evening of fun for young people from 5-7pm | |
| 10.0 | Report from Aire Valley Homes – Pam Parker | |
| 10.1 | Been in post since October 2009 | |
| 10.2 | The 5Ms are due to complete on 28 December 2009. The thermal efficiency of the properties has been commended – lots of people will receive reduced heating bills. | |
| 10.3 | Arrears are quite high at the moment | |
| 10.4 | Need to establish who owns the strip of land at the rear of Fieldhead Carr Primary – beyond the school perimeter and the grassed area, before the houses. Response required for Mr Smith | |
| 11.0 | Fieldhead Carr Community Centre | |
| 11.1 | There are to be a series of events to help the centre used more, for example, a Christmas party for young people on 21 December and one with Whinmoor Warriors. | |
| 11.2 | Kitchen improvements will begin in January 2010. | |
| 11.3 | The Centre will be available for room hire. For bookings, call 2143845 | |
| 11.4 | Cllr Gruen and the Forum thanked Sam Lowe for all her great efforts in the area. | |
| 12.0 | Youth work programme – Derek Lawrence | |
| 12.1 | The youth programmes are being maintained. There is a youth group at Fieldhead Community Centre on Mondays and a 15 week Arts Award project is being run (similar to Duke of Edinburgh) | |
| 12.2 | Detached work is ongoing on Fridays, which includes a motorbike course at Armley Laser Centre. | |
| 12.3 | Weekend residentials at Herd Farm have also been well received. | |
| 13.0 | AOB / Next meeting | |
| 13.1 | Day Centres to be on next agenda. | |
| 13.2 | Neighbourhood wardens are due to have interviews for new positions in mid-January. | |
| 13.3 | Next meeting is scheduled for 29 March 2010. | |

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