

## Outer East Leeds Area Committee Kippax and Methley Forum

Meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> January 2010 Brigshaw Language College School

## **Present:**

Councillor Keith Parker (Chair), Lynne White (SELAM, LCC), Cllr Wakefield, Cllr Lewis, Cllr D Morgan, (Kippax PC), Michael Johnson (Methley Resident), P J Roden (OPSG), Pat Samy (Kippax in Bloom), Cllr Doug Morley (Kippax PC), Adrian Lee (LCC Youth Service), Cllr Jack Bate (Kippax PC), Cllr Joy Bate (Kippax PC), Mike Weaver (NHW LCC), PC 4674 Rogers (West Yorkshire Police), PC 1065 Goodwill (West Yorkshire Police) Simon Norman (Neighbourhood Warden), Sarah Hardcastle (Allerton Bywater Residents), Tom Rushworth (Allerton Bywater Resident), Cllr Martin Hall (Ledston Parish Council), Cllr A Needham (KPC), Cllr Gail Hardwick (Kippax PC), Cllr Paul Spivey (Kippax PC),

**Apologies:** Harold Wilson (NHW Allerton Bywater), Mrs Prewer, Kathleen Sambrook, Cllr Ron Shaw (Kippax PC), Joanne Harper (Voluntary & Community Forum),

1.0	Welcome / Introductions and Apologies	Action
1.1	Councillor Parker welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
2.0	Minutes of the meeting held 27 <sup>th</sup> April 2009	
2.1	Minutes agreed as a true record	
3.0	Matters arising from those minutes	
3.1	Item 3.1 – JB wanted to give his commiserations on the death of Jas Panasar and complimented him on being such a good officer who was always polite and efficient. The Chair said everyone supported this	
3.2	Item 4.5 – DM asked if there was any further progress on the dangerous building on the High Street, Kippax. KP informed that Jim Wigginton, Enforcement Officer had inspected it and said it was not in a dangerous condition, therefore would not be treat as an emergency. KP will speak to Jim Wigginton again and express their concerns	
4.0	10 Minute open floor	
4.1	SH/TR informed of problems with youths on Beeston Way gathering around the play area, driving speeding cars and crashing into things, loud music, car horns, until after midnight, snapping newly planted trees, burnt the dog bin, shooting people with BB guns including the Security Guard who isn't there anymore. AL will send his staff down to try and connect with them. KW said this is not a new problem and was being monitored by the Police. The Police had a purge on this area and it went quiet but had come back. The Security Guard was taken off because he wasn't effective and although he noted the incidents he wasn't calling the Police. Police will make it a priority over the next few months. SH/TR will pass on the car registrations to the Police. KP asked if the Police would check the addresses and bring the information to the ASB meeting next week.	
4.2	MW informed there had been problems also at the Skate Park, Blands Play Area and Edward the VII Working Men's Club and asked AL if outreach workers could visit.	

5.0	Community Safety
5.1	Police Report SG gave out Crime Statistics and said there was a 20% reduction in crime for this area.
5.2	Local Neighbourhood Policing Team has adopted a pro-active approach to tackling incidences of ASB. Trend is for activity of this type to be transitional in that certain areas will become a 'Hotspot' for a time (e.g. Kippax Leisure Centre/Station Road last Summer) and then the problem seems to move elsewhere. Tactics are evolving all the time in an effort to reduce behaviour of this kind and keep it under control.
5.3	A DPPO is now in force in Kippax and Allerton Bywater and this has seen a definite reduction in drinking in the street by Adults close to pubs and clubs and as a result drink related disorderly behaviour is also on the wane
5.4	Local Garforth & Kippax 'Pubwatch' schemes were merged in August 2009 and resulted in closer links within the licensed community. Anyone banned from local pubs or clubs now find they are banned from all premises in the areas. This means that people causing trouble in Garforth or Swillington are no longer free to just change their drinking habits and use premises in this Ward instead as done in the past. This has led to a reduction in drink related criminal behaviour locally
5.5	KW Welcomed stats and the trend going down and finds it reassuring.
5.6	KP asked if assaults were mainly centred round one village, PR said it was across the villages and 99% of all assaults were done by someone they know and majority are domestic.
5.7	DM welcomed the downward trend in crime and asked if the outcomes of arrests were reported in stats. SG said this is not a requirement but the detection rate is 31% and the National requirement is 27%. Victims are informed of the outcome.
5.8	JB said a picture in the Evening Post of Yob Culture was from 10 years ago and thought majority of young people are good, Police agreed and AL said Police have a good attitude towards young people
5.9	PS Asked if Police could follow up broken windows on Kippax High Street. KP asked if Police could take advantage of CCTV and they said yes but cannot look through all the footage, SN said the CCTV operator should log all incidents.
5.10	Neighbourhood Warden Report SN (NHW) passed round a report with details relating to Community Engagement, Community Safety and the Environment
5.11	SN informed residents were concerned about removal of rubbish since the bin strike and then the heavy snow.
5.12	Dog Fouling is still an issue around Ashtree Primary School and fly tipping around Methley quite bad especially on Hungate Lane for which he has had the Probation Team out twice.
5.13	PR raised concerns about tipping near Senior Windows, SN will check it out. Concern raised also about cigarette ends outside the Swan Public House, Kippax, SN will speak to them
5.14	SN informed installation of A-Frame in Apple Tree Lane Kippax within the first two weeks of February 2010
5.15	JB asked about Dog Wardens KW informed there is only 5 in the City

6.0	Youth Service and Activities for Young People	
6.1	AL gave summary of events and future plans and informed he has 2 new staff and increased targets. They are having regular meetings with the Police and working alongside Youth Offending Services forming partnerships with other agencies.	
6.2	AL informed of new project at Kippax Leisure Centre on 12 <sup>th</sup> February	
6.2	AL informed they have received funding for equipment for Micklefield with support from Outer East Area Committee.	
6.3	AL – Health Bus no longer in the area but staff now are up to date with Health issues and do Health Checks, he has three new volunteers and two more in the pipeline	
6.4	AL – Allerton Bywater Youth Club will be increasing from one session a week to two	
6.5	AL – Kippax Cabin – 30 young people attend	
6.6	AL – Micklefield – two evening per week and the new staff are having a positive effect. There is a Regular Job Club at Micklefield	
6.7	AL – Working with groups Thursday/Friday at Methley with mobile unit to reach young people in Methley i.e. Embletons and has had a positive response.	
6.8	AL – Youth Shelter at Methley – a lot of consultation work has been done for this (Saville Park Methley). If there is a breakdown with the residents and community it will be removed.	
6.9	DM asked for details of project at Kippax Baths. AL - PAYP have come in with potential for the project and formed partnerships with Community Sports, Leisure Centre, Police and applied for funding for coaches	
6.10	GH – asked about Breeze. KW informed it has been cancelled saying this is a short sighted measure as it gave an outlet to young people and is quite sad.	
6.11	JB asked if AL knows of any youths attending school at Belle Isle. KW is getting an evaluation but has no information yet. JB asked if there was any funding for transport and how do they get from this side of Leeds to Belle Isle	
7.0	AOB/date of next meeting	
7.1	DM – before Christmas Kippax Parish Plan did trips round the lights and loaned a bus from Sherburn Transport Scheme and asked if a special licence was required to drive a bus and also did anyone know of a scheme that would hire a bus out. It was suggested Leeds Alternate Travel – KP will make enquiries	
7.2	Next meeting – (date to be decided)	