

Appendix 7

Present:

Cllr Suzi Armitage (Chair), Cllr Pauleen Grahame, Martin Hackett (South East Area Management), Sheila Corcoran (Stanks / Swarcliffe Tenants Association), PCSO 803 James Deakin (West Yorkshire Police), PCSO 805 Sarah Hill (WYP), Nathan Vaughn (Neighbourhood Warden), Mike Benwell (Churches Together), Ken Hill (Swarcliffe Good Neighbours Scheme), Deeta Tren-Humphries (LCC Youth Service), Graham Ambler (Stanks Fire Station), Christine Spencer (resident), Jean Jackson (resident), James Nundy (SE AMT, minutes)

Apologies:

Cllr Peter Gruen, Insp. Tom Harrison (WYP), Sgt. Weekes (WYP), Doreen Scahill (Whinmoor 'B' Residents Association), Rita Grainger (W 'B' RA), Ron Grahame (Swarcliffe Residents Association)

1.0	Welcome / introductions / apologies	Action
1.1	Cllr Armitage welcomed everybody to the meeting and the above apologies noted.	
2.0	Minutes from 7 October 2009	
2.1	Agreed as accurate.	
3.0	Matters arising from those minutes	
3.1	(3.2) Wildlife area at Swarcliffe Children's Centre – Probation are now on board to help. It should take four weekends to complete, when the weather is a bit warmer.	
3.2	(7.3) LCC Youth Service award ceremony for young people in September 09 – The ward councillors attended and thanked the Youth Service for a great event.	
4.0	10 minute open floor	
4.1	Rear of Stanks Parade shops Further to the notes from the last forum, a fire officer has now visited the site and noted the four maisonettes have two communal entry/exit doors and would be happy for an inward opening wooden or uPVC door to be fitted. Fire safety was one of Carillion's main arguments to have an outward opening door.	
4.2	It was stated that Kingfisher don't mind whether the door opens inward or outward.	
4.3	The current door was installed eight months ago and has only ever worked properly for a few days at a time (the locking mechanism doesn't engage properly) leaving the flats vulnerable. Unfortunately, the door only came with a 12 month warranty, so only has four months left.	

4.4	The issues with door need addressing before the warranty expires, otherwise the tenants would be expected to cover the costs.	
4.5	The issue is ongoing with Carillion and the PFI Compliance Team.	
4.6	The chained refuse bin has been unchained. Nathan Vaughn to resecure.	NV
5.0	Community Safety	
5.01	Report by Police: PCSO Deakin ASB is down by 30% and damage is down by five per cent when compared to the last six week period.	
5.02	A Police officer was assaulted at Whitelaith shops on 30 January 2010	
5.03	Current hotspot areas are Swarcliffe Drive and Whinmoor Way.	
5.04	Ongoing issues with an off-licence selling alcohol to underage youths but the police are dealing with it.	
5.05	Currently, there is a Dispersal Order on Seacroft which is making some youths come over to Swarcliffe.	
5.06	Report by Neighbourhood Warden: Nathan Vaughn The resolution of the CCTV system at the shops has been improved and is now providing excellent footage.	
5.07	The rear door of Stanks Grove is to be bricked up in the near future.	
5.08	Environmental improvements are soon to be started at Brayton Green, Swarcliffe Children's Centre and Sherburn Place.	
5.09	New street furniture (eg benches, litter bins) to be installed in the near future, paid for from the Swarcliffe PFI Credits budget, as decided by the PFI Forum. Other items from this PFI pot include the Welcome stones, notice boards/display units and goal posts. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If you would like any information adding to the notice boards, please get in touch with Dot Scahill (Whinmoor 'B' Residents Association) 	
5.10	The Neighbourhood Warden Service is being disbanded and internal interviews for Environmental Officer positions are taking place next week. The new positions will focus more on the environmental issues in wards and it is hoped the ASB issues will be picked up by PCSOs and LCC ASB Unit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nathan was wished all the best by the Forum for all his hard work in the area over the years 	
6.0	Young People – Deeta Tren-Humphries	
6.1	Derek Lawrence is at university today, so Deeta stepped in from annual leave to update the forum: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activities handout was tabled The Youth Service are now working with Cross Gates Methodist Church to deliver issues / project based work 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eleven young people are working towards their Duke of Edinburgh award • The 'Beck Project' is new for Thursdays – sending out the message about drugs / alcohol / healthy lifestyles • Daily drop-in session still ongoing at St Gregory's Youth and Adult Centre • The astro-turf pitches at John Smeaton Leisure Centre reopens on 8 February 2010 	
7.0	Swarcliffe Good Neighbours Scheme – Ken Hill	
7.1	<p>Ken gave an update on recent activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monday 10am-1pm: drop-in at St Gregory's Youth and Adult Centre • Tuesday 11am-1pm: line dancing exercise classes • Wednesday 10:30am-1pm: luncheon club • Thursday 10:30-1pm: luncheon club • Thursday: computer café 	
7.2	The Outer East Area Committee were thanked for their funding contribution to allow the computer café to be set up.	
7.3	An intergenerational project is to start soon with local schools.	
7.4	A student placement will begin on 22 February 2010.	
8.0	AOB / next meeting	
8.1	Graham Ambler introduced himself as the new Station Commander for Stanks Fire Station. It was reported that Stanks Fire Station had 41 emergency calls in December 2009. The average number of emergencies has dropped from 1700 to 1000 over the last ten years, which is a great achievement. Community fire safety issues are welcomed.	All
8.2	Next meeting is scheduled for 7 April 2010.	All