

Neighbourhoods & Housing Department Outer East Leeds Area Committee

Garforth & Swillington Forum Meeting held 6th December 2010 Garforth Community College

Present: Cllr Dobson (Chair), Lynne White (LCC), Michelle McGill (CESO LCC), Sharon Elliott (Leeds Learning), Aileen Larsen (Leeds Learning), PS 1065 Steve Goodwill (West Yorkshire Police NPT), Paul Rogers (West Yorkshire Police NPT), Phil Dunwell (Garforth Tenants and Residents/Garforth in Bloom), Ian Forster (GRA), Janet Winn (Gt & Little Preston PC), Gordon Hall, Ann and Barry Rowell, Parvez Aziz (Youth Service LCC), Kevin Pease of Garforth Ltd)

Apologies: Pat Watson (Youth Service), Eric Pepper, Susan Ashworth (Garforth in Bloom), June Rollins (Windermere Watch), Bernard Caulfield (Swillington PC), Jayne Hookham (Resident), David LeRoy, Elizabeth Crossley (Gt & Little Preston PC) Eric Crossley (Great Preston Resident)

1.0	Introductions and Apologies	Action
1.1	Councillor Dobson welcomed everyone to the meeting, introductions made and apologies noted	
2.0	Minutes of the last meeting held on 6 th December 2010 and matters arising	
2.1	The minutes were agreed as an accurate record	
2.2	Minute 2.4 re: Swillington Library – Cllr Dobson met with Cllr Ogilvie and Library Staff and are looking at option of moving to the school rather than introducing a mobile library – Cllr Dobson will report back	
2.3	Minute 3.2 – PD amendment Gascoigne Public House have not developed small gardens it is Garforth in Bloom who are hoping to develop and have received grant for the land which is owned by Housing	
3.0	Police	
3.1	SG informed PACT meetings are local meetings held at a local level but were poorly attended despite being widely advertised.	
3.2	There has been a rise in burglaries since last meeting in Garforth and Swillington, mainly due to people not locking their doors, arrests have been made	
3.3	SG gave out statistics – ASB covered mischievous night, Halloween, Bonfire Night and snow fall	
3.4	SG/PR gave update on Whitehouse Lane problem and were liaising with MESMAC – asked if Cllr Dobson would give his support. Police need as much help as possible with complaints about the number of cars parked etc	
3.5	Curry House was refused extension of licensing hours.	

3.6	IF enquired about speeding on A642 and asked if a speed sign after Isabella Road would help – Police made a note Cllr Dobson got 50% in favour for a sign at Whitehouse Lane	
3.7	Cllr Dobson drove down Grange estate and complimented high visibility of PCSO's who increase intelligence in the area.	
3.8	Cllr Dobson informed Bonfire and Switch on of Lights was a success which attracted lots of people – SG said it was well organised and Police involvement was minimal – all passed off peacefully.	
3.9	Spice Ranch has licence to stay open until 23.00 but have applied to extend until 2.00 a.m. – this was refused.	
3.10	New application for Rhythm and Booze – Cllr D will write to residents and keep an eye on things, giving a schedule of conditions and if they don't comply he will ask for a licensing review.	
3.11	AR informed of difficulty in seeing oncoming traffic at the chicane on Ninelands Lane SG informed that Highways need to look into it – MM informed she had requested tree to be cut back to help. Cllr D informed he's had a site meeting with Highways and can't see what purposes the chicane serves. PD Garforth in Bloom are looking at putting in barrels.	
4.0	10 Minute Open Floor	
4.1	Extended Services SE informed Area committee gave funding for holiday programme, Easter, Summer and October half term which reached 800 young people and was really successful. SE gave details of various schemes provided. They had been put forward for two awards.	
4.2	There is an after school club where over 300 young people attend and can be booked on website or reception. Cllr Dobson thanked SE	
4.3	AL informed of Forensic Science day next year which anyone can attend. Cllr Dobson asked if the Friday Café is still open AL informed it is and is being revamped and moving the age range.	
5.0	Fire Service	
5.1	Cllr Dobson explained he had fought hard to keep the service as it is for Garforth and had now been informed a full review was to take place. Cllr Dobson complimented the Fire Service on the work they do in the community in relation to fire prevention	
6.0	Coupland Road Residents Association	
6.1	No in attendance	
7.0	Services to Young People	
7.1	PA gave an update on young people on Garforth mobile bus which covers two different areas. A Garforth youth steering group meeting was held and a war veteran gave a talk which was very successful.	
7.2	Cllr Dobson re: Skatepark - damage to one of the ramps – MM will chase it up with Chris Nenadic	

7.3	Swillington Youth Club running at St Mary's Church Hall attended by 20 young people, Cllr Dobson and Murray gave out certificates. Cllr Dobson thought the young people gained a lot from it.	
7.4	PA informed they are trying to promote East Leeds Project but no money available to transport them. AL said if PA can get drivers they have three mini buses they can use and explained if they held a driving licence from before 1997 they are eligible to drive a mini bus for the Academy but would have to do a quick course costing £65	
7.5	Cllr Dobson informed of event to raise money for a memorial bench and looking into funding for cardiac arrest in young people. AL informed screening would be taking place February 2011.	
7.6	Cllr Dobson spoke about the Health Service letter sent to all forum members and explained the situation also the Warfarin Clinic was missed off the letter and is looking for support to keep this facility in Garforth. There will be a review in 2011. Cllr Dobson is keen to move more health facilities into the community.	
8.0	Date and time of next meeting	
8.1	Next meeting to be held on Monday 7 th March at 6.00 at Garforth Academy	