

**Minutes from Halton Moor Forum
at Halton Moor One Stop Centre
12 July 2011**

Appendix 3

Present:

Cllr Katherine Mitchell (Chair), Cllr Mick Lyons, Martin Hackett (SEAMT), Brian Mumby (Halton Moor Residents Association), Margaret Wilson (H Moor resident), Valerie Broadley (Osmondthorpe resident), Diane Gill (Osmondthorpe resident), John Pearson (LCC EAT), Virgil Meikle (Youth Service), Sylvia Marsh (resident), Lisa Thornton (LCC Regeneration), Rob Meetham (Groundwork), Vicky Nunns (LCC P & C), Chris O'Brien (LCC Env Services), Kate Daly (LCC Env Services), K Townend (Osmondthorpe), S Townend (Osmondthorpe SOH), PC3763 Neil Marley, Steve Sheriffe (ENE Homes), PC1159 Phillips, David Davenport (Wyke beck Community Forum), PS3561 Birkett.

Apologies:

Cllr Bill Hyde.

Item	Welcome, introductions and apologies	Action
1.1	Cllr Mitchell welcomed everyone to the meeting, introductions were made and the above apology was noted.	
2.0	Minutes of the meeting held on 12 April 2011	
2.1	Agreed as an accurate record.	
3.0	Matters arising from those minutes	
3.1	There were no matters arising.	
4.0	10 minute open floor	
4.1	The 'Save our Homes' group were concerned that one of the proposed incinerator sites will be 250 yards away from housing. Cllr Lyons informed the meeting that progress in this matter needs to be reported to the Area Committee.	
4.2	Several residents were unhappy about the closure of the sports centre. Virgil informed the meeting that the community centre part of the building was being well used and that he had been allowed access to other parts of the building for use by young people.	
5.0	Report from the Police	
5.1	The crime statistics being reported referred to the last 6 weeks.	
5.2	There had been a decrease of 27 crimes in the last 6 weeks; the highest reduction was in theft from motor vehicles; there had however been an increase of 6 asb incidents.	
5.3	The message that needs to go out is that many burglaries are preventable e.g. sneak ins. The Police are targeting known offenders in relation to burglaries.	
5.4	The off road bikes are back in the area with 17 bikes being seized as a result of their use. Because of cutbacks the Police had feared the bikes	

	being withdrawn. It was noted that Outer East Area Committee provided funding from its Well Being Budget to keep the bikes in East Leeds.	
6.0	Waste Treatment Facility	
6.1	There area 2 bidders and their chosen sites are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Former wholesale market site (Pontefract Lane) • Knothrop near sewage works <p>The winning bid will be decided in Autumn 2011. After that a planning application will be submitted and the plans considered.</p>	
6.2	Residents in attendance felt that there had been insufficient consultation and that people were more opposed to the proposed location(s) for an incinerator rather than the incinerator itself.	
6.3	Q. Has PFI funding been secured for this facility? A. Yes.	
7.0	Green space improvements on Wyke Beck Valley	
7.1	This project started in April 2011 with funding from the lottery, Green Leeds and Outer East Area Committee Well Being Budget.	
7.2	Part of the funding supports work with local schools and volunteers. The project team will be attending the community gala on 6 th August to promote the project with local people. Questionnaires will also be distributed.	
7.3	The project team are working with Wyke Beck Valley Forum to ensure that the project meets local requirements. The project will encourage people to use greenspace by improving footpaths, walkways and access to that greenspace. Volunteers are meeting on the 29 th of July.	
8.0	Environmental Enforcement	
8.1	JP distributed a flier explaining the work that had been undertaken in recent months. He highlighted 2 particular issues concerning the environment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hedges to alleyways throughout Halton Moor & Osmondthorpe are being cut back • The Halton Moor Public House is soon to be demolished. 	
8.2	JP will be out of action for 6 weeks due to a knee operation. Any queries during that period should be reported direct to 2224406 . JP reported that he will hopefully get at least some part time cover during this period. MH agreed to inquire with enforcement if part time cover could be provided during this period.	MH
9.0	Report from the Youth Service (Virgil)	
9.1	Virgil felt the facility at Halton Moor was amongst the best in the city. Some of the activities being held included Life Skills Groups where there are 15 regular attendees. From this work these attendees will go onto an accredited course and from there on to an apprenticeship.	
9.2	Many of the activities provided by Youth Services are at high ASB periods such as Friday evenings.. The service is working with football	

9.3	<p>providers and the Sutton Trust to provide additional activities during the week.</p> <p>Cllr Lyons encouraged Virgil to get as many young people to attend the cricket coaching being provided at Whitkirk Cricket Club during the summer holidays. The coaching is for one full week and funded by Outer East Area Committee; the coaches are from Yorkshire CCC. In 2010 over 100 children (boys and girls) attended each day. The coaching has been advertised in local schools, youth clubs, one stop centres etc. The best players will be awarded additional coaching at Headingley.</p>	
10.0	Report of East North East Homes	
10.1	<p>The following was reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 97.4% of rent has is currently being collected. This is 1% down on last year. Target for this year is 98% • There are currently 35 voids. This is an increase from the last quarter. Surveys of customers leaving are currently being carried out to determine reasons for leaving. • There were no ASB stats available. 	
10.2	<p>Cllr Lyons raised the issue of families, supported by Signposts Family Intervention Team, which had been evicted from elsewhere being rehoused in Halton Moor. SS agreed to look into this.</p>	SS
11.0	AOB	
11.1	<p>Cllr Lyons thanked the new Chair of the Halton Moor & East Osmondthorpe Community Forum, Cllr Mitchell, for chairing the meeting.</p>	
12.0	Date of next meeting - 11 October 2011	