

**NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL**

**DALES, MAPPERLEY AND ST ANN'S AREA COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES**

of meeting held on **15 MAY 2012** at

Loxley House from 7.04 pm to 7.52 pm

- ✓ Councillor Collins
- ✓ Councillor E Dewinton
- ✓ Councillor R Healy
- ✓ Councillor Johnson
- ✓ Councillor G Khan
- ✓ Councillor Liversidge
- ✓ Councillor Mellen
- ✓ Councillor T Molife
- ✓ Councillor Williams

✓ - indicates present at meeting

**Community representatives and citizens in attendance**

- Ms J Summers - St Stephen's Church
- Miss C James - Gains Tenants and Residents Group
- Mr P Wright - Sneinton Tenants Outreach Programme
- Mr C Lydall - Resident
- Miss C Lawson - Resident
- Mrs J Brennan - Friends of Coppice Park/Alexandra Park Residents Association
- Mr A Campbell - African Caribbean and Asian Forum
- Mr M Cox - Mapperley Park Residents Association

**City Council colleagues, partners and others in attendance**

- Miss C Underwood - The Renewal Trust
- Ms F Cusick - Neighbourhood Development Officer )
- Ms M Graley - Neighbourhood Development Officer )
- Mrs D Holmes - South Locality Manager )
- Mr N Martin - Clean Team ) Communities
- Mr M Sunderland - City Services )
- Miss C Jackson - Constitutional Services Officer - Resources

**Please note: except where otherwise indicated, all items discussed at the meeting were the subject of a report which had been circulated beforehand.**

**ACTION**

**1 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR**

**RESOLVED** that Councillor S Johnson be appointed Chair for the municipal year 2012/13.

**2 APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRS**

**RESOLVED**

- (1) that Councillor R Healy be appointed Joint Vice-Chair for the municipal year 2012/13;**
- (2) that Ms Janet Summers be co-opted onto the Committee and appointed Joint Vice-Chair for the municipal year 2012/13.**

**3 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Neal Healey, David Towers, Peter Henson, Rev. Richard Clark, Elaine Khan and Hilary Sylvester.

**4 PRESENTATION**

The Chair invited Councillor Mellen as Portfolio Holder for Children's Services to present certificates to the following young people from Nottingham Academy in recognition of their school attendance during the past 3 years:

- Anthony Partington (100%);
- Alisha Farooq (99.08%);
- Mylo Maravin (99.71%);
- Dawid Radymski (99.31%).

The Chair, on behalf of the Committee, congratulated the young people on their achievements.

**5 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

No declarations of interests were made.

**6 MINUTES**

**RESOLVED**

- (1) that the minutes of the meeting of the St Ann's and Dales Area Committee held on 13 March 2012, copies of which had been circulated and approved by the former Chair of that Committee, be adopted and signed by the Chair;**
- (2) that the minutes of the meeting of the Mapperley and Sherwood**

**ACTION**

**Area Committee held on 20 March 2012, copies of which had been circulated and approved by the former Chair of that Committee be adopted and signed by the Chair.**

**7 COMMUNITY SMALL GRANT PROGRAMME**  
(Director for Neighbourhoods and Communities)

The report and addendum was presented by the South Area Locality Manager, Dorothy Holmes.

Several concerns were raised by Councillors and Community Representatives:

- it was thought that better guidance on the application process was required for community groups. The guidance given to date was considered to be very broad. The whole process needed to be simplified and the communication of the process improved;
- Councillors wanted information on the numbers of people/groups who had previously claimed grants and who had fallen out of the small grant process as these were the groups that were primarily being targeted by the scheme;
- clarification was required of whether the decisions to allocate grants was to be by Ward or Area. It was unclear how groups whose activities overlapped more than one Ward/Area or were Citywide would be dealt with and exactly how they fitted into the current process;
- it was pointed out that on the basis of the allocations indicated in the report, if allocation was done on a ward basis the maximum grant of £20,000 could never be allocated. The figures needed to be looked at again;
- Councillors were interested to know what applications had been received in the first round of the process. The closing date for applications was 8 May;
- the whole issue was time critical as many of the groups would want grants for Summer activities.

**D Holmes**

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**RESOLVED that the South Locality Manager feed back the comments made at the meeting to the report author and bring the report back to the Committee when the concerns had been satisfactorily addressed.**

**D Holmes**

**8 ARRANGEMENTS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

**(a) Title Of The Area Committee**

**RESOLVED that this Area Committee be known as Area Committee East**

**ACTION**

**(A.C.E.)**

**(b) Date And Time Of Future Meetings**

**RESOLVED that the Committee meet on the following Tuesdays at a time to be confirmed::**

**2012**

**2013**

**4 September  
13 November**

**12 February 2013**

**(c) Venue For Future Meetings**

**RESOLVED that an informal meeting of Councillors and Community Representatives be arranged as soon as possible and that the venue for future meetings of this Committee be agreed at that meeting.**

**D Holmes**

**(d) Items For Future Meetings**

Community Representatives expressed concern that they felt that some decisions were being taken by Councillors before the meetings. Some Community Representatives did not always feel part of the decision making process and needed an opportunity to voice community concerns.

It was agreed by Councillors and Community Representatives that, as this was a new committee, there was a need to have a more informal meeting with the intention of getting to know each other, finding out who did what and discussing ideas for the Area. The possibility of tours of the Wards to look at completed and ongoing projects was suggested. It was also suggested that the meeting could be held at The Chase Community Café in St Ann's.

**RESOLVED that an informal meeting of Councillors and Community Representatives be arranged as soon as possible and that items for possible inclusion on future agenda's be discussed at that meeting.**

**D Holmes**