### **NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL**

## **WEST AREA COMMITTEE**

### **MINUTES**

of meeting held on 16 SEPTEMBER 2009 at the

Council House from 5.30 pm to 6.06 pm

Councillor Wood (Chair)
Councillor James (Vice-Chair)
Councillor Chapman
Councillor Cresswell
Councillor Foster
Councillor Long
Councillor Unczur
Councillor Watson

indicates present at meeting

### Also in attendance

Mr C Thorpe	-	Area 3 Panel
Mr C Holloway Mr M Whittaker	)	Nottingham City Homes
Mrs A Thorpe	_	S.T.A.R.A

## City Council Officers

Ms J Knight Mr A Mohammed	)	Community and Culture
Mr A Houldsworth	-	Environment and Regeneration
Miss L Wilson	_	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** 

#### 21 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Andrew Hore (Children's Services) and John Hose (S.M.A.R.T).

#### 22 <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS</u>

No declarations of interests were made.

#### 23 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting held on 15 July 2009, copies of which had been circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Chair.

# 24 NEIGHBOURHOOD ACTION TEAM UPDATE AND FUNDING REQUESTS

(Acting Director of Local Communities)

Councillors commented that they welcomed the Neighbourhood Management Team input into the community Arrow but were concerned with the number of words that they were allowed and the restricted number of pages. It was important to include feedback from community groups and others that had received funding from the Area Committee as good news stories in the community Arrow.

#### **RESOLVED**

- (1) that the Neighbourhood Action Team updates, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report, be noted;
- (2) that the following funding requests be approved:

Project	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Bells Lane and Aspley Tenants and Residents Association (Bells Lane Community Centre) Summer Programme	Councillor Chapman Councillor Unczur Councillor James	£330 £330 <u>£340</u> £1000
Beechdale Community Centre improvements	Councillor Cresswell	£500
Beechdale Community Centre trip	Councillor Cresswell	£300
School mining education project	Councillor Cresswell	£60
'Bloomin Strelley'	Councillor Cresswell	£100
Rose Inn Community Boxing Club	West Area crime and anti-social behaviour budget	£800

#### **ACTION**

#### 25 AREA CAPITAL RESOURCES

(Acting Director of Local Communities)

Members commented that Area Panels had not been mentioned specifically in Appendix 1 but they were part of the process and should be referenced.

It would have been useful to have a narrative on the projects to give full details on what they entailed and how the decisions had been reached. Councillors also needed to be consulted on all proposed projects.

#### **RESOLVED**

- (1) that the process for environmental improvements, whereby Area Committees agreed the programme of works for their area, taking into consideration the recommendations made by Area Panels, be approved;
- (2) that, in the main, Area Capital Programme Funds be spent to reduce traffic congestion and to transform the physical layout of neighbourhoods in line with the 'Amenity' land policy currently under development;
- (3) that the open space budget be accounted for as part of the overall Area Capital Programme spend and that the condition that the open space budget could only be spent on the provision or improvement of new open space facilities with the Area Committee boundaries be accepted;
- (4) that it be noted that the Director of Housing and Regeneration and the Acting Director of Local Communities would jointly advise the appropriate Portfolio Holders on the priorities for the Local Transport Plan budget devolved to areas;
- (5) that the environmental works, as detailed in Appendix 3 to the report, be approved.
- 26 <u>LEISURE, CULTURE AND CUSTOMERS MINUTE 18(B)(2) OF COMMUNITY WELLBEING SELECT COMMITTEE HELD ON 20 JULY 2009</u>

RESOLVED that the minute extract on encouraging the establishment and support of organisation of 'friends' of local facilities be noted.