

NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

WEST AREA COMMITTEE

MINUTES of meeting on 11 SEPTEMBER 2013 at Loxley House from 5.36pm to 6.28pm

- ✓ Councillor Carole McCulloch (Chair)
- ✓ Councillor Wendy Smith (Vice-Chair)
- ✓ Councillor Graham Chapman
- ✓ Councillor Glyn Jenkins
- ✓ Councillor Mohammed Saghir
- ✓ Councillor Leon Unczur
- ✓ Councillor Marcia Watson
- ✓ Councillor Malcolm Wood

✓ indicates present at meeting

Community Representatives in attendance

- Jeni Smith - Aspley / Bells Lane Partnership
- Adrian Smith - Birchover Community Association
- Vic Plant - Neighbourhood Watch Council

Citizens, Others and City Council Colleagues in attendance

- Martin Clough - Aspley Methodist Church
- Lisa Grocock - Local resident
- Dave Halstead - City Services)
- Mark Leavesley - Constitutional Services)
- Sioban Campbell))
- Julianne Christou) Neighbourhood Management) Nottingham City Council
- Heidi May))
- Islem Bida) Parking Services)
- Adam Walker))
- Mark Parrott - Notts County Football Club (Football in the Community)

12 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Mohammed Saghir - no reason given;
Councillor Marcia Watson - no reason given;
Councillor Malcolm Wood – on other City Council business;
Gill Bainbridge – Bells Lane and Aspley Tenants' and Residents' Association;
Alison and Clive Thorpe – Nottingham City Homes Area 3 Panel;
Christine Willetts - Nottingham Tartanaires Marching Band.

13 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

None.

14 MINUTES

The Committee confirmed the minutes of the meeting held on 22 May 2013 as a correct record and they were signed by the Chair.

15 AREA COMMITTEE COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES

The Committee considered a report of the Director of Neighbourhood Services, informing it of the local people nominated as Area Committee community representatives and detailing the criteria that needs to be met for acceptance of that nominated person as a representative.

RESOLVED to approve

- (1) up to 6 representatives from each of the three wards and up to 3 City-wide representatives (a maximum of 21 representatives) for the West Area Committee;**
- (2) the following persons as nominated community representatives for West Area:**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Organisation</u>	<u>Ward</u>
Jeni Smith	Aspley/Bells Lane Partnership	Aspley
Kwame Essuman	Aspley Methodist Church	Aspley
Gill Bainbridge	Bells Lane & Aspley Tenant's & Residents Assoc.	Aspley
Jenny Miles	Cinderhill Community Association	Aspley
Bryan Mann	Beechdale Community Association	Bilborough
Adrian Smith	Birchover Community Association	Bilborough
Vic Plant	Neighbourhood Watch Council	Leen Valley
Christine Willetts	Nottingham Tartanaires Marching Band	Leen Valley

16 AREA CAPITAL FUND 2013-15

Further to minute 8 dated 22 May 2013, the Committee considered a report of the Director of Neighbourhood Services, which updated Councillors and local representatives on 'in progress', completed and proposed highways and footpath schemes in West Area wards.

RESOLVED to

- (1) note the available remaining ward balances of £264,954 (Aspley), £163,867 (Bilborough) and £119,288 (Leen Valley);**
- (2) approve the following schemes for the Bilborough ward:**

<u>Location</u>	<u>Scheme</u>	<u>Cost (£)</u>
Cockington Road	Lining	5,000
Fremount Drive	Crossing improvements	10,000
Graylands Road	Footpath resurfacing	23,383
Melford Road	Footpath resurfacing	48,436
Park Crescent	Traffic Restriction Orders	5,000
Various locations	Traffic Restriction Orders/Zebrites	30,000
Staverton Road	Footpaths	<u>42,048</u>
	Total	<u>163,867</u>

17 WARD PERFORMANCE – QUARTER 2 2013/14

Further to minute 9 dated 22 May 2013, the Committee considered a summary report, covering all 3 wards, and more detailed individual ward reports, presented by Julianne Christou, Neighbourhood Development Officer. The main points were as follows:

(a) Aspley

- (i) **Crime:** down 18.4%;
- (ii) **ASB:** no change;
- (iii) **Graffiti Reports:** 41 incidents (increase of 33 on July 2012);
- (iv) **Fly Tipping:** 43 incidents (increase of 26);
- (v) **Unemployment Rate:** decrease of 4.6% on the previous month;
- (vi) **Fire:** Deliberate fires = 4 (decrease of 50% on July 2012).

(b) Bilborough

- (i) **Crime:** down 2.65%;
- (ii) **ASB:** up 53.03%;
- (iii) **Graffiti Reports:** 24 incidents (increase of 15 on July 2012);
- (iv) **Fly Tipping:** 23 incidents (increase of 9);
- (v) **Unemployment Rate:** decrease of 4.1% on the previous month;
- (vi) **Fire:** Deliberate fires = 15 (decrease of 75% on July 2012).

(c) Leen Valley

- (i) **Crime:** up 27.40%;
- (ii) **ASB:** up 5.17%;
- (iii) **Graffiti Reports:** 3 incidents (no change on July 2012);
- (iv) **Fly Tipping:** 11 incidents (increase of 7);
- (v) **Unemployment Rate:** decrease of 5.4% on the previous month;
- (vi) **Fire:** Deliberate fires = 1 (decrease of 9% on July 2012).

RESOLVED to note the ward performance for quarter 2 2013/14 and request the Neighbourhood Development Officer to contact Mr Clough to further discuss the Leen Valley Health Theme Ward priority.

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18 CELEBRATING LOCAL WORK (ASPLEY WARD)

Mark Parrott, Lead Coach for Notts County Football in the Community, and Lisa Grocock, a local resident, attended the meeting and informed the Committee of the work being undertaken in the local area. The main points were:

- sessions at local leisure centres, costing 50p-£1.00 per day, involve a number of different sports activities and are attended by over 50 children every day, with the money received used to provide refreshments so the activities are non-profit making;
- other activities in the local area, such as a 'bike doctor', swimming and learning how to make short films, have involved working with over 70 children each day;
- other partners involved include the City Council and City Homes;
- the Notts County Community Football scheme is officially one of the best in the country and is used as an example for other authorities.

RESOLVED

- (1) to note the information given and record the thanks of the Committee to Mark Parrott and Lisa Grocock for their attendance today and to all the volunteers that work with the children on the various schemes;**

- (2) to request that the Neighbourhood Development Officer provides Councillors with a breakdown of attendees on a ward basis.

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19 WARD COUNCILLOR DELEGATED AUTHORITY SPEND

Further to minute 10 dated 22 May 2013, the Committee considered a report of the Director of Neighbourhood Services detailing completed and ongoing projects and schemes in the West Area funded from Councillors' individual ward allocations.

RESOLVED to note the projects and schemes, detailed in the report and listed below, funded from Ward Councillor delegated budgets:

Aspley Ward Budget Allocations – Councillors Chapman, McCulloch and Unczur

<u>Project/Group</u>	<u>Amount (£)</u>	<u>Status</u>
Tea Dance	250	Committed
Junior Walkabouts	250	Committed
Schools Out Programme	360	Committed
Aspley Open Day	750	Committed
Mega-Night (at Minver Sports Centre)	1,375	Committed
Aspley Light-Up	875	Committed
Communities Taking Control	<u>1,000</u>	Committed
Total	<u>4,860</u>	
Balance brought forward	33,464	
Uncommitted balance brought forward 2012/13	103,240	
Budget Allocation 2013/14	<u>33,195</u>	
Total available allocation 2013/14	<u>169,809</u>	
Allocated Funds including Councillor Ward Spend	<u>64,041</u>	
Remaining Balance	<u>105,768</u>	

Bilborough Ward Budget Allocations - Councillor's Smith, Watson and Wood

Community Partnership Forum/Black Families in Education	1,000	Complete
Strelley Village Green Fun Day	500	Complete
Foxton Gardens Armed Forces Day	250	Committed
Bilborough United Football Club	600	Committed
SupportNet Ping Pong Campaign	500	Committed
West 8 Partnership Literacy Project	<u>3,000</u>	Committed
Total	<u>5,850</u>	
Balance brought forward	39,785	
Uncommitted balance brought forward 2012/13	131,347	
Budget Allocation 2013/14	<u>30,336</u>	
Total available allocation 2013/14	<u>201,468</u>	
Allocated Funds excluding committed projects	<u>41,535</u>	
Remaining Balance	<u>159,933</u>	

Leen Valley Ward Budget Allocations – Councillors Jenkins and Saghir

Beechdale Care Home		<u>300</u>	Complete
	Total	<u>300</u>	
	Balance brought forward	4,348	
	Uncommitted balance brought forward 2012/13	47,589	
	Budget Allocation 2013/14	<u>10,000</u>	
	Total available allocation 2013/14	<u>61,937</u>	
	Allocated Funds	<u>4,648</u>	
	Remaining Balance	<u>57,289</u>	

20 PARKING UPDATE

Further to minute 24 dated 12 February 2012, Islem Bida and Adam Walker, Parking Services Officers, attended the meeting to update the Committee on parking issues in the ward. They reported that since the February meeting, enforcement outside schools in the ward has resulted in 13 parking tickets being issued, parents parked outside schools are requested to park elsewhere, due to safety concerns, and in other areas, mis-use of disabled parking bays is being addressed.

RESOLVED to

- (1) note the information given and record the thanks of the Committee to Islem Bida and Adam Walkers for their attendance;**
- (2) request that:**
 - (i) local residents raise any further parking issues directly with Parking Services;**
 - (ii) Islem Bida and Adam Walker attend the March 2014 meeting to give the Committee a further update.**

21 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED to note that the next meeting will take place at 5.30pm at Loxley House on Wednesday 20 November 2013.