

## NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

### BERRIDGE AND SHERWOOD AREA COMMITTEE

MINUTES of the meeting held at LB31-32 - Loxley House, Station Street, Nottingham, NG2 3NG on 18 June 2015 from 18.00 - 19.21

#### Membership

##### Present

Councillor Toby Neal  
Councillor Brian Parbutt  
Councillor Carole-Ann Jones  
Councillor Jane Urquhart  
Councillor Alex Ball

##### Absent

Councillor Mohammed Ibrahim

#### Colleagues, partners and others in attendance:

Robin Stalvies - Carrington Residents Association  
Moby Farrands - Partnership Council & Forest Fields Improvement Association  
Parveen Miza - AWP/Beacon Youth Club  
Davynya Grech - KK Sports and Leisure  
Benjamin Rosser ) Pythian Club  
Dylan Morrott )  
Bill Husband - Manager, NG7 Training and Employment Advice (TEA)  
Maxine Davis )  
Ezerien Gbadeyaw ) Hyson Green Youth Club  
Kamiya Lothian )  
Shantay Fogo )  
Bruce Clarke - Nottinghamshire Police  
Chanel Richards ) Nottingham City Homes Tenancy & Estate Managers  
Paul Howard )  
Dorothy Holmes - Neighbourhood Team Locality Manager  
Debbie Royal - Neighbourhood Development Officer  
Catherine Ziane-Pryor - Governance Officer

#### 1 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

Resolved for Councillor Carole-Anne Jones to be appointed Chair for the municipal year 2015/16.

#### 2 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR

Resolved for Councillor Brian Parbutt to be appointed Vice-Chair.

#### 3 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Mohammed Ibrahim (illness)  
Anita Wakefield  
Ruth Greenburg

#### **4 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

None.

#### **5 MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 19 February 2015 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

#### **6 YOUTH PROVISION**

##### **(A) NG7 TEA**

Bill Husband, NG7 Training and Employment Advice, delivered a brief presentation, a copy of which was included in the online agenda following the meeting.

The presentation outlined the following points:

- (a) NG7 provides support to existing community associations, including partnership working with City Council Nottingham Community Voluntary Services (NCVS) towards implementing the Community Centre Improvement Plan 2013-19;
- (b) the 2014/15 funding allocations were provided as follows: of the £103,930.60 Area Based Grant, community associations were allocated £19,243, employment and skills focused work £39,000, youth activity £43,403.22, and NG7 management and administration £5196.53. In addition to this other funding of £21, £428 was available for digital inclusion, and £140,000 provided further 'Step In To Work' programmes;
- (c) the presentation outlined the activities and achievements of the work undertaken by NG7 with regard to employment and skills, and youth activities and provision including diversionary and targeted support, including working with community partners such as KK, AWP Asian Women's Project, Sumac, in addition to City Council organised programmes;
- (d) many of the supported and provided projects and services have successfully engaged young people in a range of activities from hair and beauty, to sports and community focused events;
- (e) Daryna Grech of KK Sports and Leisure Centre, outlined how providing a variety of activities for young people, including dance, boxing and football, had positively impacted on the area with a reduction in antisocial nuisance behaviour. In addition, where project workers, who are often able to build relationships with young people, identify there are issues, guidance and support is available.

##### **(B) The Pythian Club**

Benjamin Rosser, founder of the Pythian Club, informed the committee that while the Pythian Club was originally an organisation providing diversionary activities, its success has enabled it to now also provide targeted activities, often in partnership with the City Council, Nottinghamshire Police and Lead Organisations.

The majority of activities are based at the New Basford Community Centre and currently includes football sessions hosted by qualified coaches every Thursday from 4 pm to 6 pm, with the young people then taken into other areas of the City to play against other community teams. In addition boxing sessions, American football coaching is also available alongside a mentoring programme for drugs and alcohol and family support.

While sports teach young people discipline, the club has broader aims to encourage young people's confidence and skills for the best outcomes, including young people to progress and gain sport focused accreditations.

The club currently has 250 young people registered, 83 of whom are from the New Basford Area, the club now operates, or has some involvement in Wollaton, Lenton Abbey, Beeston, Brinsley and Eastwood areas as the success of youth engagement is enabling the club to expand.

**(C) Hyson Green Youth Club**

In addition to the report submitted to the Agenda, Maxine Davis, Manager of the Hyson Green Youth Club, along with Shantay, Ezerien and Kamiya, members of the Youth Club, delivered a brief presentation on the success and popularity of the Youth Club and how Hyson Green Youth Club benefited the greater community. The presentation also outlined young people's aspirations for the future of the youth club as the building was in need of updating and modernisation.

Members of the committee:

- (i) welcomed the reporting of the ventures and organisations;
- (ii) applauded young people from Hyson Green Community Centre for their professional presentation to the committee and dedication to the youth club;
- (iii) suggested that Maxine Davis liaise with community focused representatives of Castle Cavendish and Experian which, as large companies, encouraged and coordinated employee volunteering, such as painting and decorating, for community benefit;
- (iv) suggested that, in addition to the support of the Central Locality Manager, Dorothy Holmes, and with the assistance offered from Bill Husband, a business plan and strategy be developed to support the rejuvenation of the Hyson Green Youth Club, possibly from external funding;
- (v) noted that new and emerging communities, such as the Roma community, were engaging with the local community via the youth club which proved it to be a community asset.

**RESOLVED for the appreciation of the committee to the presenting organisations and individuals to be noted.**

## **7 POLICE UPDATE**

Inspector Bruce Clarke, Nottinghamshire Police, introduced himself as the new Neighbourhood Inspector, reminding the committee that policing beats included Berridge and Sherwood Wards, but also extended beyond these boundaries.

Having briefly outlined the policing statistics referred to within the ward performance report, Inspector Clarke highlighted the following points:

- (a) there has been a decrease in serious crime but recorded violent crime has increased however, this may be as a result of different recording procedures were harassment, including text messaging, is now considered within this category;
- (b) Forest Fields is currently a hot spot for burglary and violence;
- (c) there have been several complaints regarding inconsiderate parking and noise around mosques;
- (d) several issues have been raised regarding people launching items into Sherwood Prison from resident's properties. Police are working with the prison authorities to address this;
- (e) anti-social behaviour has been consistently reported that Pirate Park;
- (f) shop theft is high in In the Carrington area but a plan is now in place to try and address this;
- (g) a decision was recently made to introduce a 'demand model' of Policing. As a result it is considered that there are too many Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs), so across the county there will be a reduction of approximately one quarter of the current PCOs. Consultation is under way but it is predicted that approximately 57 posts will be removed. Due to the comparatively high reported crime rate of the area, it is not proposed that Inspector Bruce Clarke's Policing beats will be affected at this point and all 19 PCSO posts will remain.

The committee's questions and comments were responded to as follows:

- (h) it's important that local users of Pirate Park assert ownership of the park as it is a public space and those causing antisocial behaviour must not be allowed to intimidate users;
- (i) the recent assault of a pensioner is not believed to be part of a pattern but investigations continue;
- (j) at the Malaki murder trial one person was found not guilty but will be deported.

## **8 AREA CAPITAL FUND**

Dorothy Holmes, Locality Manager, presented the report which proposes schemes to be funded from the Local Transport Plan (LTP) and Public Realm budgets, and informs the committee of the remaining funds available.

**RESOLVED**

(1) to approve the following schemes from the respective 2013-15 budgets:

(i) Berridge Public Realm:

Location	Estimate	Details
Bus stop litter bins	£1,050	Provision of litter bins at bus stops on Sherwood Rise/ Nottingham Road
Forest Fields security 2	£1,100	Further contribution to alleyway lock replacement programme
Shipstone and Mann Street	£900	Parking survey to establish whether there is a need for a resident parking scheme on Shipstone and Mann Street

(ii) Sherwood LTP:

Location	Estimate	Details
Magnus Road	£750	traffic monitoring on Magnus Road to identify whether motorists are driving over the hatched area.
Waldeck Road	£800	Survey to look at parking issues on Waldeck Road and identify solutions

(2) to approve the following schemes from the respective 2015-16 budgets:

(i) Berridge Public Realm:

Location	Estimate	Details
Berridge Ward trees	£5,000	Contribution to 3 year city-wide programme of felling inappropriately placed trees and replacement tree planting - lead service: Parks & Open Spaces
Springfield Street	£6,414	Contribution to public realm improvement scheme in partnership with NCH - lead service: NCH
Bus stop litter bins	£100	Safety audit on the siting of litter bins at bus stops on Sherwood Rise/ Nottingham Road

(ii) Sherwood Public Realm:

Location	Estimate	Details
Sherwood Ward trees	£5,000	Contribution to 3 year city-wide programme of felling inappropriately placed trees and replacement tree planting

(3) to note the following financial position for Berridge Ward:

(i) for 2013-15

	<b>£140,00</b>
<b>2013-2015 LTP allocation</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>LTP carried forward from 2011-2013</b>	<b>£6,622</b>
<b>2013 - 2014 Public Realm allocation</b>	<b>£42,000</b>
<b>Public Realm carried forward</b>	<b>£18,607</b>
<b>2014 - 2015 Public Realm allocation</b>	<b>£42,000</b>
<b>Transfer from Radford Public Realm</b>	<b>£14,475</b>
<b>Total Available 2011 - 2013 ACF</b>	<b>£263,70</b>
	<b>4</b>
	<b>£147,17</b>
<b>*Less LTP schemes</b>	<b>- 2</b>
<b>**Less Public Realm schemes</b>	<b>£115,07</b>
	<b>- 4</b>
<b>***Decommitted funds</b>	<b>+ £7,540</b>
<b><u>Remaining available balance</u></b>	<b><u>£8,998</u></b>
<b>LTP element remaining</b>	<b>£0</b>
<b>Public Realm element remaining</b>	<b>£8,998</b>

(ii) for 2015-16:

<b>2015-2016 LTP allocation</b>	<b>£68,000</b>
<b>LTP carried forward from 2013-2015</b>	<b>£0</b>
<b>2015 - 2016 Public Realm allocation</b>	<b>£40,650</b>
<b>Public Realm carried forward from 2013-2015</b>	<b>£8,998</b>
	<b>£117,64</b>
<b>Total Available 2015 - 2016 ACF</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>*Less LTP schemes</b>	<b>- £0</b>
<b>**Less Public Realm schemes</b>	<b>- £11,514</b>
<b>***Decommitted funds</b>	<b>+ £0</b>
	<b><u>£106,13</u></b>
<b><u>Remaining available balance</u></b>	<b><u>4</u></b>
<b>LTP element remaining</b>	<b>£68,000</b>
<b>Public Realm element remaining</b>	<b>£38,134</b>

(4) to note the following financial position for Sherwood Ward:

(i) for 2013-15:

<b>Total 2013-2015 LTP allocation</b>	<b>£108,000</b>
<b>LTP carried forward from 2011-2013</b>	<b>£68,505</b>
<b>2013 - 2014 Public Realm</b>	<b>£32,400</b>

<b>allocation</b>	
<b>Public Realm carried forward</b>	<b>£9,934</b>
<b>2014 - 2015 Public Realm</b>	
<b>allocation</b>	<b>£32,400</b>
<b>Total Available 2011 - 2013 ACF</b>	<b>£251,239</b>
<b>*Less LTP schemes</b>	<b>- £161,935</b>
<b>**Less Public Realm schemes</b>	<b>- £49,655</b>
<b>***Decommitted funds</b>	<b>+ £2,958</b>
<b><u>Remaining available balance</u></b>	<b><u>£42,607</u></b>
<b>LTP element remaining</b>	<b>£16,280</b>
<b>Public Realm element remaining</b>	<b>£26,327</b>

(ii) for 2015-16:

<b>2015-2016 LTP allocation</b>	<b>£54,000</b>
<b>LTP carried forward from 2013-2015</b>	<b>£16,280</b>
<b>2015 - 2016 Public Realm</b>	
<b>allocation</b>	<b>£32,400</b>
<b>Public Realm carried forward from 2013-2015</b>	<b>£26,327</b>
	<b>£129,00</b>
<b>Total Available 2015 - 2016 ACF</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>*Less LTP schemes</b>	<b>- £0</b>
<b>**Less Public Realm schemes</b>	<b>- £5,000</b>
<b>***Decommitted funds</b>	<b>+ £0</b>
	<b><u>£124,00</u></b>
<b><u>Remaining available balance</u></b>	<b><u>7</u></b>
<b>LTP element remaining</b>	<b>£70,280</b>
<b>Public Realm element remaining</b>	<b>£53,727</b>

## **9 WARD PERFORMANCE - QUARTER 4**

Debbie Royle, Neighbourhood Development Officer, and Dorothy Holmes, Locality Manager, presented the report which provides ward level statistical information from the City Council and partners, relating to ward priorities and emerging issues, including health and crime, in addition to reporting community events and engagement.

It is noted that there is more happening than can be shown in the format of the report, so a revised format is being considered and will hopefully be in use for the next meeting.

The following points were highlighted:

- (a) the cleanliness index across the Area fluctuated but cleanliness targets were achieved. Citizens were asked to report any cleansing issues;
- (b) flighty tipping in Berridge Ward has reduced by half since the same period last year, and fly tipping in Sherwood remains minimal.

Whilst appreciating that reported 'antisocial behaviour' includes a total of 19 types of incidents, including noise, Councillors requested that they be informed of reports in the Sherwood Area as it was apparent that this was becoming a larger problem.

**RESOLVED to note the key Ward Performance information provided for Quarter 4.**

**10 ACTION TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY**

The report updates the committee on the use of delegated authority by the Director for Neighbourhoods and Communities.

**Resolved to note approvals for:**

**(1) Berridge Ward:**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Poplars Park opening</b>	<b>NCC</b>	<b>£250</b>
<b>Young people's activities</b>	<b>Muslim Community Organisation</b>	<b>£270</b>
<b>Rent</b>	<b>Hawa Women's Network</b>	<b>£1000</b>
<b>Training course</b>	<b>Seeds Foundation</b>	<b>£1280</b>
<b>Roma event and training</b>	<b>Internal</b>	<b>£1000</b>
<b>Hyson Green Cultural Festival</b>	<b>Hyson Green Cultural Festival</b>	<b>£1000</b>
<b>Sumac Youth Group</b>	<b>Robin Hood Solidarity Group</b>	<b>£1000</b>
<b>Berridge Rd hanging baskets</b>	<b>Internal</b>	<b>£640</b>
<b>Planter</b>	<b>Edible Ave</b>	<b>£294</b>
<b>Berridge Community Funding Chest</b>	<b>Local organisations TBC</b>	<b>£1000</b>
<b>Parking signs</b>	<b>Internal</b>	<b>£320</b>
<b>Berridge Community Festival</b>	<b>Internal</b>	<b>£600</b>
<b>Items for setting up project</b>	<b>Chayah</b>	<b>£250</b>
<b>Environmental Actions</b>	<b>Internal</b>	<b>£500</b>
<b>Soft balls police project</b>	<b>Internal</b>	<b>£100</b>
<b>Cook and eat sessions</b>	<b>Punjabi Community Centre</b>	<b>£1000</b>
<b>Interactive sessions</b>	<b>Senior Support Group</b>	<b>£1000</b>
<b>NCVS Volunteer Awards Evening</b>	<b>NCVS</b>	<b>£150</b>
<b>Support for Forest Fields Community Centre</b>	<b>Internal</b>	<b>£2000</b>
<b>Parking Sign</b>	<b>Internal</b>	<b>£12</b>
<b>Hyson Green Library Festive Events</b>	<b>Internal</b>	<b>£200</b>
<b>Hyson Green Christmas Lights Switch On event</b>	<b>Internal</b>	<b>£645</b>
<b>Community Bicycle Repair Project</b>	<b>FFIA</b>	<b>£300</b>
<b>Forest Fields Primary Parents</b>	<b>FFPS</b>	<b>£700</b>
<b>Forest Fields Older People's IT course</b>	<b>Forest Fields Advice Centre</b>	<b>£700</b>
<b>Caribbean Cavaliers</b>	<b>Caribbean Cavaliers</b>	<b>£300</b>
<b>East African Education Centre</b>	<b>EAEC</b>	<b>£720</b>
<b>Signpost to Polish Success</b>	<b>SPS</b>	<b>£1000</b>
<b>Nottingham Muslim Women's Network</b>	<b>NMWN</b>	<b>£500</b>



<b>Youth Session in New Basford</b>	<b>Pythian Club</b>	<b>£500</b>
<b>Blue Mountain Women's Group</b>	<b>Blue Mountain Women's Group</b>	<b>£500</b>
<b>Hyson Green Youth Club</b>	<b>Hyson Green Youth Club</b>	<b>£1351</b>
<b>Table Tennis Project</b>	<b>Nottingham Sports Group</b>	<b>£250</b>
<b>Forest Fields Spring Event</b>	<b>NCC</b>	<b>£600</b>
<b>Dream Base Project</b>	<b>Dream CIC</b>	<b>£750</b>
<b>Community Engagement budget</b>	<b>NCC</b>	<b>£1000</b>
<b>Bin Stencil Project</b>	<b>NCC</b>	<b>£500</b>
<b>Holiday Youth Activities</b>	<b>Pythian Club</b>	<b>£850</b>
<b>The Social Café</b>	<b>SFICE</b>	<b>£1000</b>
<b>Youth Activities</b>	<b>The Sumac Centre - RHSG</b>	<b>£1500</b>

Allocation 2014/15	£15,000
Unspent Balance b/fwd 2013/14	£10,567
Total Available Allocation 2014/15	£25,567
Decommitted funds	£2948
Allocated Funds (Spent and unspent)	<b>£27,532</b>
<b>Uncommitted balance as at 31/3/2015</b>	<b>£983</b>

**(2) Sherwood Ward:**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Total</b>
Sherwood Art Week Storage Costs	Sherwood Art Week	£360
Contribution towards Music Equipment	Family and Communities Team	£500
Greenhouse with disabled access	Harpenden House	£500
Contribution towards a log cabin refurbishment	Jason Spencer Trust	£500
Edwards Lane Summer School	Edwards Lane Community Association	£500
New sheds	Sherwood Playgroup	£1300
Contribution towards a Bothy	Bagthorpe Gardeners	£500
Christmas Light Switch on 2014	Various	£500
Contribution towards Domestic Abuse Freedom training programme	WAIS	£500
Nottingham In Bloom – General Maintenance and One-off displays for 2015	Nottingham in Bloom	£7000
Books and Literacy Volunteers for Primary Schools	Literacy Volunteers	£515
Crime prevention products for Week of Action	Nottinghamshire Police	£250
Sherwood Community Events 2015	Various	£7000
	<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>£19,925</b>

Allocation 2014/15	£15,000
Total Available Allocation 2014/15 (inc. carryover from 2013/14)	£20,189
Allocated Funds (Spent and unspent)	£19,925
<b>Uncommitted balance as at 31/3/2015</b>	<b>£264</b>

**11 NOTTINGHAM CITY HOMES UPDATE**

Paul Howard, Tenancy and Estate Manager, presented the report which provides an update on Nottingham City Homes performance illustrating that targets are being met. It is noted that is the community mediation service has now been launched on Nottingham City Homes will train their staff. Volunteers, who will be trained, are being sought.

**RESOLVED to note the report.**

**12 ENVIRONMENTAL SUBMISSIONS FROM NOTTINGHAM CITY HOMES**

Paul Howard and Chanel Richards, Tenancy and Estate Managers for Nottingham City Homes (NCH) were in attendance to present the report which identifies schemes requested by the NCH residents, residents living within the environment of NCH properties, and NCH staff.

**RESOLVED to approve the following schemes:**

**(i) Sherwood Ward**

Site	Proposal	Cost
Rear of Gunthorpe Close near HMP Nottingham	Supply and fit trees along boundary with prison fencing. Scheme has been developed in conjunction with crime prevention team.	£19,000
	<b>Budget</b>	<b>£165,569</b>
	<b>Total carried forward</b>	<b>£146,569</b>

**(ii) Berridge Ward**

Site	Proposal	Cost
16-42 Springfield Street, New Basford	Replace existing front boundary fencing and gates with 1.2m bow-top metal fencing and gates. Scheme joint funded with NCC	£19,557
	<b>Budget</b>	<b>£19,557</b>
	<b>Total carried forward</b>	<b>£0</b>

**13 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

Resolved to approve to meet at 6 pm on the following Thursdays:  
24 September 2015, 19 November 2015, 18 February 2016.