

NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

ARBORETUM, DUNKIRK AND LENTON, RADFORD AND PARK AREA COMMITTEE

MINUTES

of meeting held on **22 MAY 2012** at

Loxley House from 5.30 pm to 6.00 pm

- ✓ Councillor L Ali
- ✓ Councillor M Aslam
- ✓ Councillor M Bryan
- ✓ Councillor A Choudhry
- ✓ Councillor S Piper
- ✓ Councillor D Trimble
- ✓ Councillor S Williams

✓ indicates present at meeting

Community Representatives and citizens present

Ms M Fletcher - Nottingham Action Group

Ms U Dove) Residents
Mr P Beynon)

Mr C Newton - St Paul's Resident's Association

City Council Officers and others present

Mr R Gabbitas)
Mrs I Iqbal) Communities
Mr J Marsh)
Mrs L Wright)

Inspector G Kaur - Nottinghamshire Police

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

1 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

RESOLVED that Councillor Piper be appointed Chair of the Committee for the 2012/13 municipal year.

2 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR

RESOLVED that Councillor Ali be appointed Vice-Chair of the Committee for the 2012/13 municipal year.

3 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Fiona Corbett, Moby Farrands, Ruth Greenberg, Peter Milligan, Tim Preston and Luke Willen.

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

No declarations of interests were made.

5 POLICE UPDATE

The Chair of the meeting was of the opinion that this item, although not included on the agenda, should be considered as a matter of urgency in accordance with Section 100B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972, in view that it related to a current police issue that could not wait until the next meeting.

Inspector Gurmit Kaur provided the Committee with the following information in relation to the murder of Malakai McKenzie:

- 3 people had been charged with murder and would appear in court on 23 May 2012;
- there would be extra police patrols in place on the day of the court hearing;
- other suspects were still being investigated and 11 arrests had been made to date;
- it was important to encourage the community to come forward with any information they had;
- the funeral was taking place on Friday 25 May 2012 and there would be increased police patrols throughout the day.

Inspector Kaur also provided the Committee with the following information in relation to the recent firearm discharge in Hyson Green:

- the firearm was discharged a week after the murder of Malakai McKenzie, but had not been linked with Mr McKenzie's murder;
- the firearm was aimed at a car with 3 passengers on the corner of Birkin Avenue and Gregory Boulevard at 5.15 pm;
- 1 arrest was made immediately after the incident but did not result in the suspect being charged, but a further arrest had since been made.

ACTION

The Committee made the following comments:

- traffic on Gregory Boulevard needed to be managed to ensure that the funeral cars, and those attending the funeral, could park close to the church;
- all partners working in the area on the day, Police, Community Protection, etc, needed to be sensitive when dealing with those attending the funeral.

6 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the following minutes, copies of which had been circulated be adopted:

- (1) the last meeting of the Bridge, Dunkirk and Lenton Area Committee, held on 14 March 2012;
- (2) the last meeting of the Arboretum, Berridge, Radford and Park Area Committee, held on 22 March 2012.

7 WARD COUNCILLOR BUDGET ALLOCATION 2012/13

(Director of Neighbourhood Services)

John Marsh, Central Locality Manager introduced the report.

RESOLVED

- (1) that the following be noted:
 - (a) that each Councillor had been allocated an individual Ward Councillor budget of £5,000, which Area Committees were required to divide between an Area Allocation budget and individual Ward Support budgets;
 - (b) that additional monies had been made available to the top 5% most deprived wards in the City, based on the Indices of Multiple Deprivation 2007;
 - (c) that any unspent monies in individual Ward Councillor budgets at the end of the municipal year would be reallocated to the relevant Area Allocation budget;
- (2) that it be approved that decisions regarding funding from the Community Influence and Engagement budget within the Area Allocation budget be delegated to the Locality Manager or, in their absence, the Director of Neighbourhood Services, and that any such decisions be reported to the next available Area Committee meeting.

8 ARBORETUM AREA CAPITAL 2011-2013 LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN SCHEMES

(Director of Neighbourhood Services)

The Chair of the meeting was of the opinion that this item, although not included on the agenda, should be considered as a matter of urgency in accordance with Section 100B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972, in view that the scheme required Area Committee approval before the money could be released.

Linda Wright, Neighbourhood Development Officer, introduced the item and explained that Committee approval was required to release £12,000 Area Capital Fund money to introduce a parking scheme in the Holland Street area of the Arboretum ward.

The Arboretum Ward Councillors confirmed that they were happy with the proposed parking scheme.

RESOLVED that £12,000 from the Arboretum Area Capital 2011-2013 Fund be approved to introduce a parking scheme in the Holland Street area.

9 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The Committee were not happy with the acoustics in the meeting room and were concerned that the meeting was not well attended by community representatives and citizens. The Committee requested that alternative dates and venues be investigated and reported back to the Chair and Vice-Chair to decide the dates of the future meetings.

RESOLVED that the Constitutional Services Officer investigate alternative meeting dates and venues and report back to the Chair and Vice-Chair to make a decision on the future meeting dates of the Committee.

Laura Wilson