

NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

WOLLATON AND LENTON ABBEY AREA COMMITTEE (AREA 7)

MINUTES

of meeting held on **5 MARCH 2009** at the

Council House from 6.16 pm to 7.13 pm

- ✓ Councillor Benson (Chair)
- ✓ Councillor Culley (Vice-Chair)
- ✓ Councillor Morley
- ✓ Councillor Oldham
- ✓ Councillor Sutton

Community Representatives

- Mr D Allen - North Wollaton Residents Association
- Mrs N Briggs - Wollaton Park Community Association
- Mr T Kerry - Friends of Wollaton Local Nature Reserve
- Mrs T Marshall - Wollaton Park Tenants' and Residents' Association
- Mr A Oliver - Wollaton Care Group
- Mr T Preston - Wollaton Village and Park Conservation Society
- Mrs S Roper - Lenton Abbey 15th Nottingham Scout Group
- Mrs E Ryley - Wollaton and Lenton Abbey Neighbourhood Watch Association
- Mr B Smith - Lenton Abbey Residents' Association
- Dr A J Swannell - Wollaton Vale Residents Association

- indicates present at meeting

Officers In Attendance

- Mr T Coulson - Area Manager) Community and
- Ms J Tarrant - Horticultural Officer) Culture
- Mr T Papkiewicz - Operations Manager, Area 4 (West Area)
- Street Scene) Environment and
- Mr A Houldsworth - Team Leader Highways Construction and) Regeneration
- Maintenance)
- Mr M J Parker - Committee Administrator - 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

59 OLIVE YOUNG

RESOLVED that the recent death of Olive Young, a former community representative on the Area Committee, be noted with regret.

60 APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Mrs Peck.

61 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

No declarations of interests were made.

62 MINUTES

RESOLVED

- (1) that the minutes of the last meeting held on 8 January 2009, copies of which had been circulated, be confirmed and signed by the Chair;**
- (2) that, subject to noting in minute 24, that Mr Smith was a member rather than chair of the Lenton Abbey Friends and Family Fun Day, the minutes of the Wollaton and Lenton Abbey Sub-Committee meeting held on 12 February 2009, copies of which had been circulated, be noted.**

63 WOLLATON PARK – PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

(Corporate Director of Community and Culture)

RESOLVED that the programme of events to be held in Wollaton Park during the period February to August 2009 be noted and the Area Manager be requested to advise elected members in due course of progress on the Splendour Music Festival on 18 and 19 July 2009.

Tim Coulson

64 WOLLATON PARK - ADDRESSING ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

(Director of Culture and Community Development)

Further to minute 52 of this Committee dated 8 January 2009 and minute 26 of the Area Sub-Committee dated 12 February 2009, Mr Coulson reported that the draft of a consultation letter to local residents on the Area Committee's proposals had been agreed and that agreement on a request for legal advice on aspects of the issue was imminent.

ACTION

Although possible, it was thought unlikely at this stage, that the Committee would be asked to make additional financial contributions towards the cost of legal advice over and above usual departmental recharges, unless specialist advice became required.

RESOLVED

- (1) that the current position be noted;
- (2) that, if sufficient information became available as to the options available to the Committee/Sub-Committee and to the legal advice on various associated matters, proposals for further action be submitted for approval to the elected members on the Area Committee;
- (3) that, where sufficient progress on outstanding matters to enable a decision to be taken could not be achieved by the end of the current financial year, to ensure that sufficient monies were available to effect improvement to Wollaton Park or other projects in the area, a 'Wollaton Park' funding stream be created and any uncommitted balances as at 31 March 2009, including Ward Member allocations, be transferred to this;
- (4) that the opportunity to re-prioritise the allocation(s) from the Wollaton Park funding stream in light of any estimates of the costs of works received, be reserved;
- (5) that the issue be kept under review and be included on the agendas for meetings of the Area Committee and the Sub-Committee as necessary;

Ron Inglis

**Tim Coulson/
Julie Scadden**

**Area
Committee/Sub
-Committee**

Tim Coulson

**65 LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENT TO CROWN ISLAND,
NOTTINGHAM RING ROAD**

(Acting Director of Local Communities)

Photographs of the current condition of the planting on Crown Island were circulated for information. Ms Tarrant outlined the four options available for consideration, and explained that:-

- the estimated costs of between £3,000 and £8,000 **did not** include £1,800 per working day for the traffic management scheme (erection and removal of traffic management measures) which would enable the work to be undertaken safely;
- a total of 16 members of staff would be used to effect the changes;
- any financial contribution made by the Area Committee would be reduced by a £1,000 allocation from the Bloom Contingency Fund;

ACTION

RESOLVED

- (1) that planting option 4 be approved and the estimated cost of up to £8,000 before contingency adjustment be met from the central joint allocation of funds;**
- (2) that additional traffic management costs of up to £3,600 associated with this proposal be noted but that, with the intention of undertaking the works later in the year when working days were likely to be longer, the Acting Director of Local Communities submit a report to the Sub-Committee in April 2009 including proposals to conclude the works within one day and, subject to the availability of staffing, on a Sunday when traffic levels were likely to be reduced.**

**Madge
Saunders
Dawn Simpson
Jo Tarrant**

66 PROVISION OF COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARDS

(Acting Director of Local Communities)

Further to minute 41 dated 6 November 2008, the Committee considered a list of venues for three existing and 17 proposed community notice boards within the area. After an initial period, it was hoped that community volunteers or local businesses would take responsibility for administering content on the notice boards.

The discounted cost per board (if 20 boards were purchased), including installation, was £1,100, with the discount achieved by a one-off purchase and storage of all boards.

The following comments were made on the list of locations:-

- **Hathern Green/Farndon Green:** notice boards were already in place at these locations;
- **Baslow Drive:** this board would be sited immediately behind the fencing at the tenants hall;
- **Fernwood Crescent:** the siting of this notice board should be relocated to outside the shops;
- **Seaford Avenue/Ringwood Crescent:** re-title Wollaton Road;
- **Torvill Drive and Wollaton Road:** should be included in the first phase of new notice boards;
- **Lenton Abbey Estate:** the number of notice boards available on the estate should be increased to two;
- **Wollaton Road:** the Area Manager should clarify the proposed siting of the notice board;

Tim Coulson

ACTION

- **Sutton Passeys Estate:** should be re-titled Wollaton Park estate.

RESOLVED

- (1) that the cost per notice board of £1,400, discounted to £1,100 for purchases of 20 boards and including installation but not maintenance, be noted;
- (2) that the phased programme of installation, reflecting the comments of the Committee, be approved and the financial cost be spread over the financial years 2008/09 – 2010/11;
- (3) that the intention to involve the local community in the administration of the notice boards, be supported;
- (4) that, where possible, all notice boards be sited on City council owned land and, to facilitate ease of operation, a common lock design be adopted for all boards.

67 USE OF DELEGATED POWERS - INDIVIDUAL MEMBER ALLOCATIONS COUNCILLORS OLDHAM AND SUTTON - WOODSIDE ROAD SHOPS AND LENTON ABBEY FUNDAY
(Acting Director of Local Communities)

RESOLVED that the approvals of £375 from Councillor Sutton's Individual Allocation to fund a detailed plan for improving the green space fronting the shops on Woodside Road and £300 each from the Individual Allocations of Councillors Oldham and Sutton towards the costs of the 2009 Lenton Abbey Funday, be noted.

68 ITEMS IDENTIFIED BY AREA COMMITTEE COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES

(a) Dog Fouling Wollaton Park Estate

Mrs Marshall drew attention to the increased incidence of dog fouling on Wollaton Park and, in particular, on Orston Drive, Farndon Green and Broughton Drive. Lenton Abbey Park was also identified as a location suffering increased incidence of dog fouling.

Mr Coulson and Mr Papkiewicz outlined the enforcement measures, such as spot fines, stickers and, where individuals and their animals could be clearly identified, CCTV equipment, which dog wardens and community wardens could use to reduce the practice.

The City Council now tended to replace previously dedicated dog waste bins with dual use bins, thus avoiding the need to treat faeces as controlled waste, whilst still ensuring that it was incinerated.

ACTION

RESOLVED that the Area Manager be requested to explore the possibility of including an article on the issue in the next local area edition of the Nottingham Arrow in May 2009.

Tim Coulson

(b) Highways Works Programme

The Committee noted that, whilst pavement re-surfacing works to Toston Drive, Broughton Drive and Hounslow Avenue were desirable, an insufficiency of funds to undertake all identified works within the current programme meant that prioritisation was required.

69 PROPOSED DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS 2009/10

RESOLVED

- (1) that the proposed meeting cycles for the area committee and Sub-Committee at 6.15 pm on the following Thursdays during 2009/10, be noted:-

Area Committee

2009

14 May
9 July
10 September
5 November

2010

7 January
4 March

Area Sub-Committee

2009

11 June
30 July
8 October
10 December

2010

4 February
8 April

- (2) that future meetings at the Council House be held in the Tea Room if possible;
- (3) that the Area Manager submit a report to the 9 April 2009 meeting regarding proposals to meet at venues in the Committee's area and, in light of comments from Community Representatives, on the starting time of future meetings.

Tim Coulson

DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

Meeting(s)
(6.15 pm)

Date

Area Sub-Committee
Area Committee

9 April 2009
14 May 2009 (provisional)