

## NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

### ARBORETUM, DUNKIRK AND LENTON, RADFORD AND PARK AREA COMMITTEE

**MINUTES of the meeting held at Loxley House, Nottingham on 17 June 2015  
from 5.34pm - 6.41pm**

#### **Membership**

##### Present

Councillor Liaqat Ali  
Councillor Ilyas Aziz  
Councillor Merlita Bryan (Vice Chair)  
Councillor Azad Choudhry  
Councillor Anne Peach (Chair)  
Councillor Sarah Piper  
Councillor Dave Trimble

##### Absent

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

|   |   |
|---|---|
| Peter Beynon  | - Resident  |
| Dave Brennan  | - Castle Cavendish                                  |
| Maxine Davis  | - Hyson Green Youth Club                            |
| Moby Farrands   | - Partnership Council                               |
| Rob Gabbitas  | - Neighbourhood Development Officer                 |
| Paul Howard   | - Tenancy and Estate Manager, Nottingham City Homes |
| Iffat Iqbal   | - Neighbourhood Development Officer                 |
| John Marsh  | - Locality Manager (Central Area)                   |
| Peter Milligan  | - The Lenton Centre                                 |
| Nick Packham  | - Resident  |
| Tim Preston   | - Lenton Local History Society                      |
| Inspector Robert<br>Wilson                                      | - Nottinghamshire Police                            |
| Linda Wright  | - Neighbourhood Development Officer                 |
| Chantai, Ezekiel,<br>Kamiya, Kashay,<br>Malak and Shart-<br>Tae | - Hyson Green Youth Club                            |
| Phil Wye  | - Governance Officer                                |

#### **1 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR**

**RESOLVED to appoint Councillor Anne Peach as the Chair for the 2015/16  
municipal year**

#### **2 APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIR**

**RESOLVED to appoint Councillor Merlita Bryan as Vice-Chair for the 2015/16 municipal year**

**3 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Inspector Bruce Clarke  
June Perry  
Chanel Richards  
Cheryl Weston  
Luke Willen

**4 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

Councillor Aziz declared an interest in Item 6 as his organisation, the Pakistani Centre, uses the facilities at Hyson Green Youth Club.

**5 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

The committee confirmed the minutes of the meeting held on 18 February 2015 as a correct record and they were signed by the Chair.

**6 NOTTINGHAM CITY HOMES UPDATE REPORT**

Paul Howard, Tenancy and Estate Manager, Nottingham City Homes (NCH), introduced the Chief Executive of NCH's report updating the Committee on NCH's performance on the following key themes:

- Capital Programme & major works;
- area regeneration and environmental issues;
- key messages from the Tenant and Leasehold Congress;
- Tenant and Residents Associations updates;
- area performance figures;
- good news stories & positive publicity.

Paul also reported that in addition NCH have started to let the new build properties in Radford, and an open day is planned for 27 August which aims to help community cohesion.

**7 ENVIRONMENTAL SUBMISSIONS FROM NOTTINGHAM CITY HOMES**

Paul Howard, Tenancy and Estate Manager, Nottingham City Homes (NCH), introduced the Chief Executive of NCH's report detailing the schemes proposed to provide extra security, safety and wellbeing for residents in the area which will be funded from the Housing Revenue Fund.

**RESOLVED to approve the following schemes:**

**Arboretum Ward:**

| Site                                 | Proposal  | Assessment   | Budget        |
|--------------------------------------|---|--|---------------|
| Birkin Avenue estate phase 3 funding | Supply and fit bow top fencing to next tranche of Hyson Green properties. Joint project with NCC. | Improve appearance and increase security for residents | £15,620       |
| <b>Total budget to carry forward</b> |   |  | <b>£5,000</b> |

**Radford and Park Ward**

| Site                                 | Proposal  | Assessment  | Budget          |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|-----------------|
| 1-14 Bramcote Walk, Radford          | Metal rails to be placed on top of wall next to 1 Bramcote Walk and to run along to 14 Bramcote Walk. | Improve environmental appearance; reduce ASB for residents. | £2,041          |
| Norton Street fencing upgrade        | Replace wooden fencing with metal fencing to properties. Joint project with NCC.                      | Improve appearance and increase security for residents.     | £95,000         |
| <b>Total budget to carry forward</b> |   |   | <b>££10,929</b> |

**8 HYSON GREEN YOUTH CLUB**

Maxine Davis, Centre Manager, Hyson Green Youth Club presented her report which was circulated to the Committee members prior to the meeting. Ezekiel, a user of the Youth Club then gave a presentation on their aspirations for the future of the Youth Club. The following responses were given in response to questions from the Committee:

- (a) other local venues such as the New Art Exchange are used for activities but this is still not enough. Young people in the area see the Youth Centre as an important part of the community;
- (b) the Youth Club is used by young people from all over the city, but being on the boundary between areas means that there is a feeling that there is no ownership from a particular area, which can make it difficult to apply for grants;
- (c) high energy bills and the old building make the Youth Club increasingly expensive to run. Castle Cavendish provides funds for events and the Summer Youth Programme, however these funds have reduced due to lower budgets;

**RESOLVED to**

- (1) note the presentation and thank Maxine Davis and the Youth Club members for coming;**
- (2) arrange a meeting between Councillor Bryan and Maxine Davis to discuss funding streams for the Youth Club.**

**9 WARD PERFORMANCE - QUARTER 4**

Inspector Robert Wilson, Nottinghamshire Police updated the Committee on crime levels within Area 4, highlighting the following points:

(a) updates were given for each ward:

- in the Arboretum ward, crime is generally up, violence is up, burglary is up, robbery is down and vehicle crime is down;
- in the Dunkirk and Lenton ward, crime is generally down, violence is steady, burglary is down, robbery is down and vehicle crime is down;
- in the Radford and Park ward, crime is generally up, violence is up, burglary is down, robbery is up and vehicle crime is up;

(b) there has been recent focus on drugs and legal highs. A number of these have recently been seized in raids and some shop owners have been arrested. It is an offence to sell but not to possess legal highs;

(c) Operation Graduate is still ongoing, focusing on student policing.

John Marsh, Locality Manager Central, introduced the Strategic Director for Commercial and Neighbourhood Services' report providing updates for each ward on key issues and themes which link to local priorities and strategic themes in the Nottingham Plan 2020 for Quarter 4, including:

- ward priorities;
- community engagement;
- finance
- safer theme – crime and anti-social behaviour (ASB);
- neighbourhood theme – environmental issues;
- working theme – unemployment rates;
- housing;
- community protection;
- fire;
- health theme – local health priorities;

**RESOLVED to note the information.**

**10 AREA CAPITAL FUND - 2015/16 PROGRAMME**

Iffat Iqbal, Neighbourhood Development Officer, introduced the Strategic Director for Commercial and Neighbourhood Services' report seeking approval for schemes

recently prioritised and detailing the latest spend under the Area Capital Fund, including highways, traffic and safety and public realm schemes.

An additional contribution of £4,500 to install bollards in the Dunkirk and Lenton ward which was not included in the original report was circulated prior to the meeting.

**RESOLVED to**

**(1) Note that the following money is available:**

|                    |          |
|--------------------|----------|
| Arboretum          | £101,267 |
| Dunkirk and Lenton | £67,272  |
| Radford and Park   | £76,911  |

**(2) Approve the following schemes prioritised by Ward Councillors since the last meeting:**

**Arboretum Public Realm Schemes:**

| Location             | Type       | Estimate | Details  |
|----------------------|------------|----------|--|
| Arboretum Ward trees | Tree works | £5,000   | Contribution to 3 year city-wide programme of felling inappropriately placed trees and replacement tree planting – lead service: Parks and Open Spaces |

**Dunkirk and Lenton Local Transport Plan Schemes:**

| Location           | Type     | Estimate | Details  |
|--------------------|----------|----------|--|
| Marlborough Street | Drainage | £1,784   | Installation of new gully to facilitate drainage on Marlborough Street |

**Dunkirk and Lenton Public Realm Schemes:**

| Location                      | Type       | Estimate | Details   |
|-------------------------------|------------|----------|---|
| Sherwin Road community garden | Tree works | £3,476   | Pruning and management of trees to improve community garden on Sherwin Road |

**Radford and Park Public Realm Schemes:**

| Location           | Type       | Estimate | Details  |
|--------------------|------------|----------|--|
| Radford Ward trees | Tree works | £5,000   | Contribution to 3 year city-wide programme of felling inappropriately places trees and replacement tree planting – lead service: Parks and Open Spaces |
| Radford Ward       | Area       | £33,500  | Contribution to joint scheme in  |

|             |                    |  |   |
|-------------|--------------------|--|---|
| <b>area</b> | <b>improvement</b> |  | <b>partnership with NCH to improve and replace fencing in identified locations across the ward.</b> |
|-------------|--------------------|--|---|

**(3) approve additional costs of £4,500 from the Dunkirk and Lenton Area Capital Fund for the installation of bollards on Harlaxton Drive, Harrington Drive and Rolleston Drive.**

**11 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

**AGREED to meet at 5.30pm on the following Wednesdays:**

**2015**

**23 September**

**18 November**

**2016**

**17 February**