

## NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

### BERRIDGE AND SHERWOOD COMMITTEE

**MINUTES of the meeting held at Loxley House on 21 NOVEMBER 2013 from 6 pm to 7.33 pm**

- ✓ Councillor Toby Neal (Chair)
- ✓ Councillor Brian Parbutt (Vice Chair)
- ✓ Councillor Alex Ball
- ✓ Councillor Mohammed Ibrahim
- ✓ Councillor Carole Jones
- ✓ Councillor Jane Urquhart

(✓ indicates present at meeting)

#### **Community Representatives and citizens present**

|                |   |
|----------------|---|
| Dave Bell      | Edwards Lane Estate   |
| Moby Farrands  | Forest Fields Improvement Association and Partnership Council |
| Bill Husband   | Project manager – NG7 TEA                                     |
| Bob Huskinson  | Sherwood and Mapperley Park Neighbourhood Watch Association   |
| Robin Stalvies | Carrington Residents Association                              |
| Annie Yates    | Police Inspector, Sherwood and Hyson Green                    |

#### **Colleagues and others present**

|              |   |                                   |   |                       |
|--------------|---|-----------------------------------|---|-----------------------|
| Beth Hanna   | - | Neighbourhood Development Officer | ) |                       |
| John Marsh   | - | Locality Manager                  | ) | Communities           |
| Leigh White  | - | Neighbourhood Development Officer | ) |                       |
| Sarah Watson | - | Senior Planning Officer           | - | Development           |
| Ann Lynch    | - | Head of Involvement               | - | Nottingham City Homes |
| Laura Wilson | - | Constitutional Services Officer   | - | Resources             |

#### **20 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Anita Wakefield

#### **21 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

#### **22 MINUTES**

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

## **23 CONFIRMATION OF AREA COMMITTEE COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES**

Beth Hanna, Neighbourhood Development Officer, informed the Committee that the following citizens have been appointed as community representatives for the 2013/14 municipal year:

- (a) Jackie Brown of Edwards Lane Estate Tenants and Residents Association;
- (b) Bob Huskinson of the Sherwood and Mapperley Park Neighbourhood Watch Association;
- (c) Malkit Singh Ubhi of the Punjabi Community Centre.

**RESOLVED to note the appointments of community representatives to the Berridge and Sherwood Area Committee as detailed above.**

## **24 LEAD ORGANISATION UPDATE – NG7**

Bill Husband, Project manager at NG7 TEA, gave a verbal update to the Committee, highlighting the following points:

- (a) the new premises on Berridge Road have been refurbished and should be in use soon;
- (b) NG7 TEA is forming relationships with the community and youth providers such as the Asian Women's Project and KK Support;
- (c) there is a need to keep identifying issues and where they are to ensure that detached youth workers can become more effective;
- (d) work is being done with the Council's employer hub and local BME employers to encourage the take up of apprenticeships;
- (e) developing an income stream is being investigated so that more work can be done in the area.

During discussion the Committee and others in attendance made the following comment:

- (f) KK Support worked with hard to reach young people but more work is needed.

**RESOLVED to note the information provided by Bill Husband, and thank him for his update.**

## **25 DISCUSSION ITEM – NCH ISSUES**

This item was withdrawn as the Nottingham City Homes representative has not been appointed.

## **26 LAND AND PLANNING POLICIES DOCUMENT – PREFERRED OPTION CONSULTATION**

Sarah Watson, Senior Planning Officer, introduced the Director of Planning and Transport's report detailing the Preferred Option of the Land and Planning Policies Document which is being consulted on until 2 December 2013.

During discussion the Committee and others in attendance made the following comment:

- (a) this will become part of planning policy and will be used to judge planning proposals against;
- (b) the land uses proposed in the document are not definite plans for the site, they are the Council's proposed use;
- (c) land on Lortas Road is causing problems and residents want it to be developed for residential use;
- (d) Haywood School site is ideal for social housing.

**RESOLVED to note the ongoing consultation and the opportunity to respond before 2 December 2013.**

## **27 WARD PERFORMANCE REPORTS – QUARTER 2**

John Marsh, Central Locality Manager, introduced the Director of Neighbourhood Services' report detailing ward performance for quarter 2.

Inspector Annie Yates highlighted the following points in relation to the Berridge ward:

- (a) crime rates are a big concern as they are increasing. There has been a 28% increase year to date, but this has recently reduced to a 16.9% increase;
- (b) autocrime, burglary, robbery and theft incidents are all reducing due to police initiatives;
- (c) there is a lot of focus on shop theft as this has increased by 82 offences year to date;
- (d) arrests have been made for the arson attack on Sherwood Rise;
- (e) 70% of violence incidents related to domestic violence or familiar violence, rather than random attacks.

Inspector Annie Yates also highlighted the following points in relation to the Sherwood ward:

- (f) there has been an increase in crime across the ward and the police are working hard to combat this. Volunteers are working with the police to distribute leaflets on crime prevention;
- (g) the police are trying to get a team of Special Constables together to work on Mansfield Road at night up until Christmas to reduce the number of thefts and robberies;
- (h) there is a dedicated Police Community Support Officer for the town centre, Edwards Lane and 2 Beat Managers so there is a police presence in the ward;
- (i) police won't be prosecuting offenders travelling at more than 20mph in restricted zones as there isn't a speed awareness cause for the 20mph speed limit until the new year.

John Marsh highlighted the following points:

- (j) cleanliness is being maintained and is on target in both wards. The 2 problem areas are graffiti and flytipping as they are above the levels of previous years;
- (k) the Council are advertising/promoting the free bulky waste collection service to try and combat flytipping;
- (l) there has been a focus on clearing leaf fall within the last few weeks;
- (m) there is now a third Fido machine in the area to clear up dog fouling.

During discussion the Committee and others in attendance made the following comments:

- (n) work is being done with partners on domestic violence to try and find more appropriate means of intervention;
- (o) speed warning signs are appropriate in some locations, but they are expensive and they work because they are unusual so it is not appropriate to install them on every road;
- (p) speed awareness courses needs to include awareness of cyclists;
- (q) street cleaners come before the refuse collectors and this needs to be the other way round so that the street cleaners can pick up any litter left after the bins have been collected;
- (r) there is a large amount of debris which needs to be removed on Kneaton Road from when Nottingham City Homes refurbished a property;
- (s) the gritting programme is up and running and grit bins have been filled. If any bins are empty each bin has a label on it with a telephone number and reference number so that it can be refilled.

**RESOLVED to note the key information from the Ward Performance reports for quarter 2 2013/14.**

## **28 ACTION TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY – WARD ALLOCATIONS**

Beth Hanna, Neighbourhood Development Officer, introduced the Director of Neighbourhood Services' report detailing the actions taken under delegated authority.

**RESOLVED to note the following actions taken under delegated authority:**

### **Berridge ward:**

| <b><u>Item</u></b>            | <b><u>Date agreed</u></b> | <b><u>Total</u></b> |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Hyson Green Law Centre        | 13 July 2013              | £1,000              |
| Football on The Forest event  | 9 August 2013             | £1,000              |
| Students Learning and Support | 20 August 2013            | £2,080              |
| Hawa Women's Network          | 5 September 2013          | £950                |
|                               | <b>GRAND TOTAL</b>        | <b>£5,030</b>       |

**Sherwood ward:**

| <u>Item</u>                             | <u>Date agreed</u> | <u>Total</u>  |
|---|--------------------|---------------|
| Sherwood Christmas Light Switch On 2013 | September 2013     | £500          |
| ELETRA Christmas Celebration            | October 2013       | £200          |
| Creative Expressions Project            | October 2013       | £850          |
|   | <b>GRAND TOTAL</b> | <b>£1,550</b> |

**29 AREA CAPITAL FUND**

Leigh White, Neighbourhood Development Officer, introduced the Director of Neighbourhood Services' report which detailed the latest spend proposals under the Area Capital Fund, including highways and footways.

**RESOLVED to approve the following schemes and note the commitment of the funds:**

**Berridge Local Transport Plan Schemes:**

| <b>Location</b>                      | <b>Type</b>    | <b>Estimate</b> | <b>Details</b>  |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|---|
| Haydn Road                           | Traffic Safety | £90,000         | Installation of lining, speed cushions, splitters, etc to improve road safety |
| Glendon Drive                        | Footpath       | £33,204         | Patching of the footpath  |
| Tissington Road/<br>Tissington Close | Footpath       | £16,968         | Resurfacing of the footpath   |
| Northgate Road                       | Bus stop       | £1,500          | Bus stop markings   |

**Berridge Public Realm Schemes:**

| <b>Location</b> | <b>Type</b> | <b>Estimate</b> | <b>Details</b>                           |
|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|--|
| Glendon Drive   | Footpath    | £21,796         | Contribution to patching of the footpath |

**Sherwood Local Transport Plan Schemes:**

| <b>Location</b>       | <b>Type</b> | <b>Estimate</b> | <b>Details</b>  |
|-----------------------|-------------|-----------------|---|
| Watcombe Circus       | Footpath    | £19,140         | Footpath resurfacing from 35 Watcombe Circus to Devonshire Road |
| Haydn Road/Perry Road | Zebrites    | £10,000         | Installation of Zebrites  |

**Sherwood Public Realm Schemes:**

| <b>Location</b>                       | <b>Type</b>   | <b>Estimate</b> | <b>Details</b>                                     |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|--|
| Ramsdale Crescent/<br>Cavendish Drive | Tree planting | £12,000         | Replacement programme for previously removed trees |

**30 AREA COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE – AMENDMENT**

John Marsh, Locality Manager, introduced the Corporate Director for Communities' report regarding changes to the Area Committee terms of reference to incorporate Area Panel

functions.

**RESOLVED to note the Committee's revised terms of reference, as set out in Appendix 1 of the report.**