

NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

BERRIDGE AND SHERWOOD AREA COMMITTEE

MINUTES of the meeting held at Indian Community Centre Association on 10 October 2018 from 6.02 pm - 8.15 pm

Membership

Present

Councillor Adele Williams (Chair)
Councillor Carole-Ann Jones
Councillor Toby Neal
Councillor Jane Urquhart (Items 15-21)

Absent

Councillor Brian Parbutt
Councillor Mohammed Ibrahim

Colleagues, partners and others in attendance:

Wade Adams	- Nottingham City Homes
Susi Artis	- St John's Church and Community Centre
Rob Bain	- Robin Hood Energy
Angela Bolton	- Neighbourhood Development Officer
Jill Burn	- Nottingham Fixers
Inspector Christine Busuttil	- Nottinghamshire Police
Moby Farrands	- SUMAC Centre
Kerry Gretton	- ELTRA
Beth Hanna	- Neighbourhood Development Officer
Surjit Singh Jouhal	- NEWLAPS
Farah Khan	- The Fiveways
Inspector Riz Khan	- Nottinghamshire Police
Rupinder Kooner	- Senior Community Protection Officer
Natalie Jones	- Nottinghamshire Training Network
Angela Kandola	- AWAAZ
Hannah Lambert	- Sharing Sherwood
Marilyn Lane	- Support for Survivors
Maxi Leigh	- Support for Survivors
Carol McCormick	- Sharing Sherwood
Carol Mee	- Carrington Tenants' and Residents' Association
Farooq Mir	- Seeds Foundation
Asif Mohammed	- The Fiveways
Mick Newton	- ELTRA
Shuguftah Quddoos	- SRRA
Amrik Sanghera	- NEKLAPS
Doreen Smalley	- ELTRA
Janet Tewkesbury	- Burlington and Hartington Tenants and Residents Association
Inspector Robert Wilson	- Nottinghamshire Police
Phil Wye	- Governance Officer

15 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Mohammed Ibrahim – unwell
Councillor Brian Parbutt – on leave

16 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

17 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 27 June 2018 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

18 LOCAL POLICING UPDATE

Inspector Christine Busuttill and Inspector Rob Wilson, Nottinghamshire Police, provided an update on crime and policing in the Berridge and Sherwood wards, highlighting the following:

Sherwood

- (a) there has been a reduction in overall crime in the ward of 49. Theft has increased including shoplifting and this is being prioritised, however burglary, vehicle offences and anti-social behaviour are all down;
- (b) a warrant was enacted recently to seize a large amount of cannabis worth £270,000;
- (c) two offenders have been recently jailed for 15 years for a spate of burglaries in 2017/18 all around the Sherwood ward;
- (d) a schools officer has been employed to work with children in school and prevent crime.

Berridge

- (e) crime over the ward has reduced this year following a high level last year, with much less vehicle crime;
- (f) a warrant was enacted recently to seize a significant amount of cannabis;
- (g) the closure order on The Stage Hotel has been extended until Christmas;
- (h) Inspector Wilson is retiring and will be replaced by Inspector Riz Khan for neighbourhood policing.

Rupinder Kooner, Senior Community Protection Officer, provided a verbal update on Community Protection, providing Community Representatives and Councillors with the numbers of Fixed Penalty Notices, Community protection Notice Warnings and Community Protections that have been issued across the two wards. Community

Protection have also dealt with a number of messy gardens, fly-tips and trade waste issues.

RESOLVED to thank Inspector Busuttil, Inspector Wilson and Rupinder Kooner for the information provided.

19 AREA COMMITTEE COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES

Beth Hanna, Neighbourhood Development Officer, introduced the report, explaining that local organisations are invited annually to nominate a representative to the Area Committee.

RESOLVED to confirm the appointments of the following Community Representatives from the Berridge and Sherwood wards for the 2018/19 municipal year:

Organisation	Name
SUMAC Centre	Moby Farrands (Berridge)
Carrington Tenants and Residents Association	Carol Mee (Sherwood)
Seeds Foundation	Farooq Mir (Berridge)
Burlington and Hartington Tenants and Residents Association	Janet Tewkesbury (Sherwood)

20 NOTTINGHAM CITY HOMES UPDATES AND APPROVALS

Wade Adams, Area Housing Manager, Nottingham City Homes (NCH), introduced the report providing updates on key issues and themes which link back to local priorities and the strategic themes for NCH, highlighting the following:

- (a) the final coat of render is being installed on Woodthorpe Court and insulation is being installed on Winchester Court;
- (b) NCH won the TPAS National Award for Excellence in Tenant Engagement 2018;
- (c) NCH contact tenants to discuss issues like Universal Credit and supporting them to get benefits that they didn't realise they were entitled to;
- (d) minimum bedroom sizes have been set but these are only for Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMOs) and will not affect family homes.

RESOLVED to

(1) note the update and performance information;

(2) note the allocation of funds for 2018/19, detailed below:

Ward	Actual budget	Schemes approved	Schemes committed	Remaining budget
Berridge	£8,010.79	£8,010.79	£0.00	£0.00
Sherwood	£75,058.73	£20,000.00	£1,000.00	£54,058.73

(3) approve the Area Capital Programme funding request set out below:

Address	Request	Reason	Cost
Edingley Square	Contribution to planting scheme on roundabout to prevent the parking of vehicles.	Support improvements to parking and the damage being caused by unauthorised parking of vehicles.	£1,000.00

21 AREA BASED GRANT - AREA 5 PROGRESS REPORT

Jawaid Khalil, NG7 Training, Employment and Advice, introduced the report providing progress on the Area Based Grant (ABG) for the Berridge and Sherwood wards, highlighting the following:

- (a) the ABG is split into four priorities: Employment and Skills Support, Young People, Support for Community Infrastructure and Support for the Local Voluntary and Community Sector;
- (b) NG7 has met or exceeded all its targets in all areas, including double the target for the number of job clubs and double the target for voluntary groups that have been supported;
- (c) English for Speaker of Other Language (ESOL) classes have been very successful at supporting citizens into work.

RESOLVED to note the three year delivery plan and update on progress and performance data for 2018/19, for the Area Based Grant by the appointed area based lead organisation.

22 ROBIN HOOD ENERGY UPDATE

Rob Bain, Finance Director, Robin Hood Energy (RHE), delivered a verbal update on the work of RHE, highlighting the following:

- (a) the company was established in 2014 and was the first publicly owned not for profit energy company in the UK. It was originally conceived to help tackle fuel poverty in Nottingham City;
- (b) RHE now serves over 115,000 customers across the UK taking in customers from an extended partnership of white label companies and other local authorities;
- (c) RHE has been much more successful than other 'start up' energy companies and has already achieved a profit within the first three years. Loans from the council to start the company are being repaid at commercial rates;
- (d) there are a wide range of tariffs available including green energy tariffs and a reduced tariff for city residents. Average savings for city residents are around £153 compared to standard prepay tariffs;

- (e) customers' tariffs are regularly reviewed to ensure that they are the most suitable. Now that the company is achieving profit it has voluntarily joined the warm home discount scheme and fuel vouchers are regularly sent to food banks across the city to help the most vulnerable.

Community Representatives suggested that local community and voluntary organisations could partner RHE to educate citizens on energy saving. Councillors also praised the good customer service at RHE and said that it is good for vulnerable citizens.

RESOLVED to note the information presented.

23 COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES' UPDATES

As there were a number of new Community Representatives and Organisations present, the Chair invited each of them to give a brief introduction and update to the Committee. The following representatives of organisations provided information:

- Susi Artis, St John's Church and Community Centre;
- Carol Mee, Carrington Tenants and Residents Association;
- Asif Mohammed and Farah Khan, Fiveways Centre;
- Carol McCormick and Hannah Lambert, Sharing Sherwood;
- Janet Shakespeare, Burlington and Hartington Tenants and Residents Association;
- Maxi Leigh and Marilyn Lane, Support for Survivors;
- Natalie Jones, Nottinghamshire Training Network;
- Mick Newton, Kerry Gretton and Doreen Smalley, Edwards Lane Tenants and Residents Association;
- Moby Farrands, SUMAC Centre;
- Jill Burn, Nottingham Fixers;
- Angela Kandola, The Indian Community Centre Association and AWAAZ.

The meeting was terminated at 8.10pm as it was no longer quorate, and continued informally.