

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT THE
TRINITY CHAPEL ROOMS, CHAPEL STREET, WOODHOUSE, FACILITATED BY
THE WOODHOUSE & DISTRICT COMMUNITY FORUM ON
THURSDAY 15th JULY 2010 AT 7.00PM**

Attendees

Howard Constable (Chair), Liz Turton (minute taker), Alan Charlesworth, Kathryn Taylor, Graham Postello, Peter Wolstenholme, Lillian Randell MBE, Debra Dallamore, Joan Longstone-Hull, Anne Kennedy, Ray Satur (Cllr) & Jackie Satur and PCSOs Jane Eklid-Singh and Youth Forum - Luke & Emily

Apologies

Mick Rooney, Jackie Newbold, Ray Flewitt

1. Welcome & Introductions

2&3 Minutes of last meeting & matters arising

The minutes are accepted as a true record of the last meeting.

Update on the War Memorial sand box. Reply from the Council with photographs showing no sand box - Peter Wolstenholme has personally written a reply with photographic evidence of a sand box situated at the base of the memorial. The fact that the sand box is now missing is an indication of the problem. The letter is to be forwarded to the council.

4. Correspondence - letter received and read to the meeting re proposed Gypsy site in Woodhouse stating that no decision has been made and local people will be involved in consultations before any final decision is made. Ray Satur outlined the process for selecting areas of land for development and that the Woodhouse sites were out of 300 identified this does not mean that they will be suitable for the purpose. Local councillors will be consulted then the local area panel TARAs and Forums.

It was agreed that an immediate meeting will be called if any change in the situation occurred and the members needed to be made aware of the situation.

5. Update - PCSOs (Jane Eklid-Singh)

Continues to meet with local businesses representatives in Market Square re street drinking and drug dealing.

Alcohol exclusion zone in early stages consultation process to go through. Zone to be Market Square and up Market Street.

Walkabout last Friday - looking at various problems with Sheffield Homes, Councillor Satur, Street Force, local TARAs, and Intervention Officer. Areas identified - parking problems, hedges needed trimming/cutting back, flower beds (St. Annes may be able to help).

Increased Police presence in village has resulted in positive feedback.

Organising a 'drop in' centre - hopefully will be able to have a table on one side in the Co-op possibly in the old travel agents office.

- Concern was raised re the public footpath off Beighton Road with people hanging around and a daytime burglary on Oldale and an empty property with is up for sale. *Jane will look into this.*
- Has anything changed with the Costcutter as discussed at last meeting? *At the last PACT meeting Graham and Howard approached Sgt Simon Tridenick and asked if a letter can be sent*

to Costcutter Head Office . Costcutter at Handsworth is the same. Licenses can be challenged. Have exchanged details with Sarah Green and members of the Licensing Board.

- Telephone box near Costcutter - Cllr Rooney was to deal with this matter.
- Brunswick MUGA - Jane spoke to local residents; people need to phone to report incidences. MUGA is not locked as it is a Community resource.
- Graffiti - police have taken photographs as evidence of tagging.
- Mobile Camera near underpass has been moved to outside The Royal - views 360° so more effective incidents can be checked upon. Signs saying CCTV in progress - these can be as just a deterrent as cameras. Funding is an issue will approach SE Area Assembly. Alan Charlesworth has informed Woodhouse TARA.

Jane was thanked for her positive report and the steps that have been taken as a result of concerns brought to her attention at the WDCF Meetings.

6. Reports

(a) Trustees

The Trustees had nothing to report but questions were invited. Update of the Community Resource Centre (CRC):

- Met David White from Kier to go through all options and had a guided tour of the Co-op Late Shop and are currently awaiting his report.
- Tannery Lodge site is still an option and is still the preferred one.
- Ray Satur - concern the money is used in a reasonable length of time and investigate any site in Woodhouse enthusiastically. The £450k needs to be used in a way that delivers what we want.
- We need to take on a project that is sustainable for more than a year.
- We have 2 good partners in Disability Service and the Libraries.

(b) Project Development

- We have a vacancy for a Learning/Health Advocate for 12 hours - whilst this is a voluntary position childcare and expenses will be paid. We can provide training and any volunteers will gain skills and experience.
- The current Learning Champion Project is at an end with 183 learners given advice and guidance and the majority of these attending 18 courses organised this year. 44 learners have progressed to other activities, including employment. 58 learners gained qualifications.
- The Lottery Project began on 1 April 2010 and the outcomes for the first quarter to 30 June 2010 are 7 courses, 53 learners and 6 volunteers.
- The courses available from September were announced and members were invited to take Learner Information Packs and WDCF pens/pencils.

(c) Youth Forum

- Thanks to all involved in the Family Fun Day and would like to invite everyone to the Woodhouse Youth Forum Christmas Fayre on 4th December.
- On 28th June the WYF received £1345 from the You Choose Funding Event held by SE Community Assembly.
- Have been donated and office at Badger TARA house.
- Plea for new members to contact Jack or Luke.

The members of the WDCF would like to record their appreciation of the hard work by the WYF to organise the Family Fun Day. All who attended thoroughly enjoyed the day. It was also stated that the WYF had to work hard to put together a funding bid and deliver a presentation to a large audience in order to win £1345.

(d) Publicity

Peter Wolstenholme gave a comprehensive list of activity from June.

8. AOB

- The stacking of buses outside the Co-op causing traffic congestion is a concern. If buses stand for more than 5 - 6 minutes take the bus numbers and report it to the bus company.
- Stagecoach use this area to change drivers - can this be done elsewhere?
- Traffic/parking at Skelton / Spa Lane near the Doctors Surgery/library. **Cllr Ray Satur** would like to consult the community with regard to making this a one way street with possible double yellow lines near the library. This was felt to be a positive step. The Doctors wanted to remove the grass verges. Will go to the Patient Forum. Write to Dave Luck.

The Woodhouse & District Community Forum members would like to express our sadness at the death of Councillor Marjorie Barker and would wish to pass on our condolences to her family.

9. Date and time of next meeting

THURSDAY 16TH September 2010