



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
GREATER BRISLINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP (GBNP)
HELD AT 7.00 p.m. on 19 MARCH 2012
AT ST. PETER'S CHURCH, ALLISON ROAD, BRISLINGTON**

PRESENT:

Ward councillors:

Councillor Peter Main (Brislington West ward) (Neighbourhood Committee chair, in line with the "rotating" chair agreement)
Councillor Jackie Norman (Brislington West ward)
Councillor Mike Langley (Brislington East ward)
Councillor Mike Wollacott (Brislington East ward)

Neighbourhood Partnership members:

Steve Pearce (Neighbourhood Partnership chair)
Ali Hender
Louise Bale
Juliette Randall
Maxine Powell
Elizabeth Venn

Officers and other statutory partners / other attendees:

Gemma Dando, Bristol City Council (BCC), Area Co-ordinator
Ariaf Hussain, BCC, Community Engagement Officer
Ian Hird, BCC, Democratic Services Team Leader
Shaun Taylor, BCC, Area Manager, Highways & Traffic
Richard Fletcher, BCC, Neighbourhood Engagement Manager
Richard Gwyn, BCC, Neighbourhood Engagement Officer
Colin Salmon, Avon & Somerset Police

Other attendees (local residents):

Steve Beard, Janet Weston, Andy Miller, Marie Hodge, Paul Hodge, Sheila Larkin, Pauline Allen, Jan Wren, P Wren, Laura Weeks, George Cross, Angela O'Sullivan, Joan O'Sullivan, Robert Mills, James Elmer, David Brassington, Stan Hurley, John Eccles, Gill Wexford

1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
(agenda item 1)

Attendees were welcomed to the meeting and introduced themselves.
Apologies for absence were received from Alan Bale.

2. MINUTES - NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP MEETING HELD ON 23 JANUARY 2012 (agenda item 2)

AGREED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 23 January 2012 be agreed as a correct record, subject to the following amendment:

- Page 2 (Area Co-ordinator's report): amend para. 4 d. to make clear that the text refers to Water Lane.

Neighbourhood Committee items (chaired by Councillor Peter Main):

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (agenda item 3)

There were no declarations of interest.

4. AREA CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT ON DEVOLVED BUDGETS (agenda item 4)

The partnership considered an update report from the Area Co-ordinator.

The main discussion points were:

- a. Page 4 - Clean and Green: It was noted that appropriate arrangements were being made for the secure storage of tools / equipment requested in connection with the Brislington Brook project.
- b. Page 5 – Water Lane – use of section 106 transport budget: It was noted that work on site had started on 13 February and was expected to be completed by the end of April 2012, at which point there would be a clearer picture about the level of expected underspend on this project.

The Neighbourhood Committee RESOLVED:

- **That the report and the above information be noted.**

5. DEVOLVED TRANSPORT SCHEMES FOR 2012/13 INCLUDING S106 HIGHWAY BUDGETS (agenda item 5)

The partnership considered a report seeking agreement to the 2012/13 work programmes for footway resurfacing and carriageway surface dressing; and asking the partnership to take a decision on how to spend

the devolved transport section 106 budget (specifically scheme ref: 01/02339/Mental Health Hospital, Callington Road).

The main discussion points were:

- a. Footway resurfacing: It was noted that the budget available to the neighbourhood committee was £42,000. Shaun Taylor advised, however, that if the neighbourhood committee was minded to support scheme refs F1 (Brainkenbridge Road - £16,000) and F3 (Newbridge Road - £30,000), sufficient additional funds could be made available to meet the shortfall, to enable both schemes to proceed.
- b. The issue of unsatisfactory road repairs following work carried out by / on behalf of utilities in the Brislington area was raised. It was noted that where residents were aware of particular cases, it would be appropriate for these to be reported to the Council's highways and traffic section, to enable follow up action to be pursued.
- c. The wider issue was raised about the need for further investment by utilities / developers to ensure that infrastructure in the Brislington area could cope with new development. It was noted that this was primarily an issue to be addressed by the planning authority. It was noted also that the utilities were investing in a series of infrastructure improvements across the city as a whole.

Following further discussion, **the Neighbourhood Committee RESOLVED to agree allocations to schemes as follows:**

1. Footway resurfacing:

- Scheme ref F1: Brainkenridge Road - £16,000
- Scheme ref F3: Newbridge Road - £30,000

2. Carriageway surface dressing:

- Scheme ref C1: Sandholme Road - £1,550
- Scheme ref C2: Colin Road - £1,550
- Scheme ref C3: West Town Lane (Hungerford Road to Callington Road) - £1,550

3. Section 106:

- Scheme ref S1: Mental Health hospital, Callington Road: £31,159.56 to support the full, proposed scheme (as referred to in the report); it was also agreed that underspend (when confirmed) from the Water Lane S106 scheme should be allocated to meet the expected funding shortfall. If necessary, a further report should be submitted to the 18 June meeting (it was noted that there may be a possibility also of some funding being provided, if needed, from the Filwood, Knowle & Windmill Hill neighbourhood partnership).

6. **PARKS AND GREEN SPACE STRATEGY - SURPLUS LAND DECISION** (agenda item 6)

The partnership considered a report seeking decisions on whether or not to declare sites (as identified in the report) surplus to requirements for use as green space for recreation.

The following additional information was noted:

- a. Partners' attention was drawn to legal advice given in relation to this report. Copies of the legal advice were circulated.
- b. It was noted that an item of public forum business had been received (from Sharon Wagg, Elizabeth Venn, Laura Weeks and Jan Wren) specifically in relation to Bonville Road open space. In discussion, it was suggested that a more appropriate name / description of this particular area of land would have been useful, to assist residents' understanding of the location.

Following discussion, on the motion of Cllr Woollacott, seconded by Cllr Langley, **the Neighbourhood Committee RESOLVED (unanimously: 4 members voting in favour and none against):**

1. **That the following sites (as referred to in the report) should not be declared as surplus to requirements, and should therefore be retained as green space for recreation:**
 - Part of St Anne's Park (i.e. confirming the original Cabinet decision of 16 December 2010).
 - Part of Newbridge Road open space.
2. **That a decision on the following sites (as referred to in the report) be deferred to the 18 June 2012 neighbourhood committee meeting:**
 - Allison Avenue open space.
 - Broomhill Road Park.
 - Belroyal Avenue open space.
 - Bonville Road open space.
 - Broomhill Road (Emery Road) R/O bank.
3. **That the Cabinet be requested to review the incentive mechanism, with regard to the sites listed in 2. above, i.e. to avoid this neighbourhood partnership (due to the decision taken under 1. above) being penalised by a reduction in the potential return under the incentive scheme.**
4. **That, when the sites listed in 2. above are considered on 18 June, all appropriate considerations from the site allocations document / process be taken into account; and that it be**

requested that relevant parks / open spaces information be made available at the site allocations consultation meeting(s).

7. PARKS INVESTMENT PLAN - INVESTMENT DECISIONS USING DEVOLVED S106 BUDGETS (agenda item 7)

The partnership considered a report setting out recommendations for investment from the Partnership's environment sub-group.

Following discussion, **the Neighbourhood Committee RESOLVED to agree allocations to schemes as follows:**

- 1. £27,737.27 towards the provision of a new children's play area at Hungerford Road open space.**
- 2. £45,000 to provide a BMX track at Arnos Court Park.**
- 3. £2,924 to improve an entrance to Victory Park (officers to liaise with Friends of Victory Park to check / clarify the precise location of the entrance to be improved).**
- 4. £2,170.80 to improve an entrance to St. Anne's Wood.**
- 5. £3,813.50 to improve a second entrance to St. Anne's Wood.**

8. WELLBEING BUDGET REPORT (agenda item 8)

The partnership considered a report seeking approval of the recommendations from the Brislington wellbeing panel for the allocation of wellbeing funding, and asking the committee whether or not to accept and make a decision about a late application from St Anne's Parish Church.

The following additional documents were circulated:

- a. Regarding the application from the Brislington Brook project: a detailed breakdown of costs / proposed expenditure (as requested by the panel).
- b. Regarding the application from Hungerford Community Association: a copy of the Hungerford Community Association development plan (as requested by the panel).

Following discussion, the Neighbourhood Committee **RESOLVED** to approve the following recommendations / allocations:

1. **Avon & Somerset police – payment for police overtime to run Operation Biker - £1,000 (formally noted, as per grant made on 23 January 2012)**
2. **Brislington Brook project – contribution towards Brislington’s green stories project – £2,000**
3. **Make a Move – creative movement course for Brislington Enterprise College pupils - £1,333**
4. **Broomhill infant and junior schools with St Peter’s Methodist church - 60th anniversary of the junior school and the church - £817.64**
5. **Wicklea lunch club – summer coach trips for older people - £1,255 subject to using best value coaches that can meet access needs**
6. **Wicklea shadow management – moving costs – nil award as costs are covered by other funds, and therefore no allocation is necessary (it was noted that information would be provided separately to relevant parties about the issue of concessionary rents)**
7. **Hungerford Community Association – costs for running Hungerford Road community centre for 12 months – £2,330**
8. **St Anne’s parish church – notice board for the church - £187**

Neighbourhood Partnership items:

9. **YOU SAID, WE DID REPORT**
(agenda item 9)

The partnership noted a report summarising recent achievements and project outcomes / successes. It was noted that any queries should be forwarded direct to Gemma Dando.

10. NEIGHBOURHOOD COMMUNITY SAFETY UPDATE

(agenda item 10)

The partnership noted the latest update. It was noted that any queries should be forwarded to Colin Salmon.

11. NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP ACTION PLAN

(agenda item 11)

The partnership noted that time constraints prevented this item from being discussed in detail at this meeting. It was agreed that the item should be deferred to the May forum meeting and the June neighbourhood partnership meeting

12. COMMUNITY BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES IN BRISLINGTON

(agenda item 12)

The partnership noted that time constraints prevented this item from being discussed in any detail at this meeting. It was agreed that detailed discussion should therefore be deferred to the May forum meeting and the June neighbourhood partnership meeting. It was also agreed that it would be helpful for background information to be available, at that time, to inform the future discussion. It was noted that agreed actions would be incorporated into the neighbourhood partnership action plan in due course.

13. PUBLIC FORUM

(agenda item 13)

Public forum items were received / noted as follows:

- a. Statement from John Eccles – subject: St Anne’s junior school location.
It was agreed that this statement should be forwarded to the next Cabinet meeting.
- b. Statement from Sharon Wagg, Elizabeth Venn, Laura Weeks & Jan Wren – subject: agenda item 6 – Parks and green space strategy – surplus land decision.
This statement had been noted and taken into account (earlier at this meeting) under agenda item 6 (Parks and green space strategy - surplus land decision).

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

(agenda item 14)

It was noted that the next meeting would be held at 7.00 pm on 18 June 2012 (venue to be determined).

(The meeting ended at 9.00 p.m.)

CHAIR