

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2

**HENBURY AND SOUTHMEAD
NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP**

**TUESDAY 20TH MARCH 2012 AT 7.00 pm
AT BLAISE PRIMARY SCHOOL HALL,
CLAVELL ROAD, HENBURY, BRISTOL BS10 7EJ**

	05.07.11	18.10.11	24.01.12	20.03.12
Ward Councillors				
Councillor M Weston (Henbury)	P	P	A	P
Councillor C Windows (Henbury)	P	P	P	A
Councillor B Massey (Southmead)		P	P	P
Councillor Jenny Smith (Southmead)	P	P	P	P
Councillor Jacqui Bowles (Southmead)	A			
Resident Partner Members				
Adrian Boyce (Brentry)	P	A	P	P
Bob Farmer (Brentry)	P	P	P	P
Richard Pyle (Brentry)	P	P	A	A
Shirley Burton (Henbury)	A	P	P	P
Rose Carr (Henbury)	A	P	P	P
Chris Pratt (Henbury)	P	P	P	P
Jean Sallabank (Henbury)	P	P	P	P
Joan Bennett (Southmead)	A	P	P	P
Pat Newport (Southmead)	P	P	P	P
Ian Thornley (Southmead)	P	P	P	P
Gill Waines (Southmead)	P	A	P	
Toni Webb (Southmead)	P	P	P	P
Ronda Brace			A	
Deana Perry (Southmead)	A	P	A	P
Dave Fudge (Southmead)	P	A	A	
Alex Kittow (Southmead)	P	P	A	
Sue Potter				P
Partner Agency Reps				
Mark Runacres (Avon and Somerset Police)	A	P	A	A
Judith Taylor, (Health Promotion Lead, North Bristol: Bristol NHS)	A	P	A	A
Officers in attendance				
Rose Richards, Service Manager, Youth, Play and Outdoor Education			P	
Keith Houghton, Area Co-ordinator	P	P	P	P
Samantha Parker,	P	P	P	P
Richard Jones, Democratic Services	P	P	P	P
Jennifer Mackley				P
Teresa Crichton, Area Environment Officer, BCC	A	P	A	P
Stuart Pattison, Community Confidence Manager, Safer Bristol		P		

In attendance: 52 people

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1 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Councillor Mark Weston, Chair, welcomed all to the meeting and asked for introductions.

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Chris Windows.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

4. PUBLIC FORUM

Public Forum statement were received and noted from:

Agenda			
	Pedestrian Crossing – Southmead Road	David Matthews	S01
4	Parks and Green Space Strategy	Avon Wildlife Trust	S02
4	Parks and Green Space Strategy	Victoria Bremner	S03
4	Parks and Green Space Strategy	Alison Devonshire	S04
4	Parks and Green Space Strategy	Alison Devonshire	S05
4	Parks and Green Space Strategy	Alison Devonshire	S06
4	Parks and Green Space Strategy	Chris Rowland	S07

The Partnership agreed that the Statement on pedestrian crossing, Southmead Road be referred to the Traffic and Transport Sub-Group

ACTION: KH to refer.

5. PARKS AND GREEN SPACE STRATEGY SURPLUS LAND DECISION

Councillor Weston welcomed Jennifer Mackley, Strategy Co-ordinator, Neighbourhoods, Bristol City Council, to the meeting on behalf of the Partnership.

Jennifer Mackley introduced the report to the Neighbourhood Partnership (Agenda Item No. 5), setting out the parks and green space strategy surplus land decision.

During consideration of the report the following points were highlighted:

- The Partnership was asked to note the following history to this point:
 - February 2008 - Council adopts green space strategy with aspirations to raise the quality of Bristol's parks. The strategy adopted the principle of selling some land to fund this.
 - June – October 2010 – Area Green Space Plans identify green space that could be declared as surplus. Public consultation is held on proposals;
 - 16 December 2010 - Cabinet takes the decision to declare some land as surplus, retain other land as green space and defer on remaining sites until a later date;
 - June – November 2011 - Cross party working group convenes to review green space strategy aspirations, consultation responses and Dec 2010 Cabinet decision;
 - 22 November 2011 - Full Council discusses the cross party working group findings and an all party agreement is made that Neighbourhood Committees should make the final decision on land declared as surplus; and
 - 26 January 2012 - Cabinet resolved that Neighbourhood Committees make decisions with regard to land proposed as surplus to parks requirements with a view to potential disposal for development (surplus sites).
- It was also noted that the potential financial outcome of the Neighbourhood Committee's decision would be dependent on an incentive scheme, which had been recommended by the Cross Party Working Group and subsequently adopted by Cabinet. This means that a maximum of 70% of the value of the land, if sold, will only be available to the Partnership if all sites are declared as surplus. The fewer the sites agreed for disposal the lower the percentage of sale value will be made available to the Partnership. . The remaining 30% of the land – if sold (minimum) would be held centrally to spend on green space infrastructure;
- The Partnership, whilst noting the funding formula proposals, expressed concern at the reduced sale value if fewer than all sites are released for disposal. They asked that the percentage of sale of any land released for disposal be renegotiated before any final decision on disposal;

- Several members of the public indicated that should any land be sold for development consideration should also be given to the impact on other amenities (health services, education and traffic).
- The Partnership in noting the statement from Christine Rowland, indicated that assistance with the maintenance of any part of the Fonthill Park retained for use by the school to deliver its 'Forest School' activities could be undertaken by 'Southmead Sports'; and
- Members expressed concern at the impact of proposed adjoining land in South Gloucestershire which had been identified as part of their planning proposals for housing development, and the impact that this would should a similar decision be taken by the Neighbourhood Committee.

Councillor Weston outlined his proposals for dealing with each of the sites, individually and giving the option to either retain as open spaces or defer the decision until the May Neighbourhood Partnership meeting to allow time to renegotiate the funding proposals with the cabinet.

The BS10 Planning Group in considering the sites based in the Southmead ward expressed the view that Elderberry Walk, Trym Valley and Embleton Walk be retained as parks and open spaces and also asked for an improved percentage of sale value to be returned to the Partnership, should the sale of Fonthill Park be approved.

Jenny Smith moved:

- (i) *That Elderberry Walk, Trym Valley and Embleton Road CPG be retained as Parks and Open Spaces, and*
- (ii) *That Fonthill Park could be considered for disposal if 70% of the money generated were retained locally, and that a small section of the Park be **retained to enable its continued use by Fonthill School to deliver Forest School activities.***

This was seconded by Councillor Brenda Massey.

RESOLVED –

- (i) That Elderberry Walk, Trym Valley and Embleton Road CPG be retained as parks and open spaces; and**
- (ii) That Fonthill Park could be considered for disposal if 70% of the money generated were retained locally, and that a small section of the Park be retained for continued use to deliver Forest School activities.**

Following detailed discussion with the Partnership on the sites based in the Henbury Ward, the Neighbourhood Partnership indicated that they were against the sale of any of the parks and open spaces based in the Brentry or Henbury area. Therefore Councillor Weston moved:

That Arnall Drive (North), Arnall Drive (South), Brentry Hill, part of Crow

Lane, Okebourne Road and Tranmere Avenue all be retained as park and open spaces.

This was seconded by Councillor Brenda Massey

RESOLVED –

(i) That Arnall Drive (North), Arnall Drive (South), Brentry Hill, part of Crow Lane, Okebourne Road and Tranmere Avenue all be retained as park and open spaces.

6. MINUTES - HENBURY AND SOUTHMEAD NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP - 24TH JANUARY 2012

AGREED -

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 24th January 2012 be approved and signed by the Chair.

6. DEVOLVED SERVICES REPORT

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered a report of the Area Co-ordinator (Agenda Item No. 6) setting out the devolved services report.

Jenny Smith reported that representations had been to the Sustainable Development and Transport Scrutiny Commission, regarding the proposed withdrawal of the No 20 Bus Service. It was anticipated that a statement and petition would be presented to the next meeting of Full Council to be held on 27 March 2012.

The Partnership also noted that there are a number of bus stops without shelters across the NP area – Rectory Gardens was given as an example – and agreed that a ‘shopping list’ of further sites which need shelters be developed through the Traffic and Transport Sub-Group **Action KH**

RESOLVED -

- (1) that progress updates on Carriageway Surface dressing and Footways (items 1.1 a and b of the report) and on Minor Traffic Schemes (items 1.2 a, b c and d of the report), in particular the continuing issue of funds to install anti-skid surface at the Aldi crossing in the note at 1.2c be noted;**
- (2) that the actions taken on Narrow Estate Roads and Minor Traffic schemes in item 1.2 c and d of the report (picked up in the Devolved Transport Schemes Report, be noted;**

- (3) that the progress made in developing the Community Transport scheme in Henbury/Brentry be noted;
- (4) that the recommendation to put forward three sites for installation of the used bus stops offered to the NP from the Council's Passenger Transport Division and the proposed sources of funding for their installation and the actions proposed to identify funding where an obvious source is missing (item 2.4 of the report) be approved; and
- (5) that the current position with the devolved Clean and Green budget be noted and the proposed allocation of remaining Clean and Green budget be approved.

7. S106 ALLOCATION TO BARNARD PARK, HENBURY

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered a report of the Area Environment Officer, Environment and Leisure (Agenda Item No. 7) setting out the s106 allocation to Barnard Park, Henbury.

The Recommendation set out in the report was moved by Councillor Weston, seconded by Councillor Massey, and

RESOLVED -

- (1) that the s106 spend of £6,589.29 be agreed; and
- (2) that the sum of £6,589.29 be allocated to Barnard Park to improve the park for play, provide new benches and herbaceous planting.

8. DEVOLVED TRANSPORT SCHEMES FOR 2012/13

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered a report of the Service Director, Transport Services (Agenda Item No. 8) setting out the devolved transport schemes for 2012/13.

During detailed discussion of the report the following points were highlighted:

- in relation to footway resurfacing, several members from Southmead sought clarification on the process for selecting footways for maintenance work ;
- the Partnership agreed that the traffic and transport sub-group would commence the process of looking at the footway priorities for 2013-14;
- In response to a request to address the issue of parking on the pavements at Crow Lane, it was noted that this would be raised with Safer Bristol and the Police and brought back to the Traffic and

Transport sub-group.

- Partnership noted that there is an accumulated underspend of **£1449.82** in the Minor Signs and Lines budgets from 2010/11 & 2011/12.
- Added to the 2012/13 Minor Traffic Schemes budget of £17,143 this leaves a total of **£18,592** to fund 2012/13 programme of work

Following detailed discussion on the Transport schemes, it was moved by Councillor Massey, and seconded by Jenny Smith, and

RESOLVED –

(i) Local Traffic Schemes 2012-13 Approved:

Ref	Location	Issue	Possible solution	Est Cost	Notes
T1	Partnership Wide	Small signing and Road marking requests, received from residents throughout the year	Provide sign and road marking as need at officer's discretion.	£1,392	
T2	The junction of Bentry Lane, Charlton Lane and Swanmoor Crescent.	Access and safety concerns at junction which has very restricted visibility	A feasibility study is required to assess the range of options available to improve situation.	£2,500	Will include junction counts and local consultation on design options
T3	Knole Lane in the vicinity St Josephs Rd	Lack of pedestrian crossing facilities on Knole Lane	Feasibility study required to identify the most suitable location for crossing and provide a detailed assessment of the site constraints	£3,000	Will include pedestrian and vehicle counts and topographical survey.
T5	Doncaster Road	Lack of good quality pedestrian crossing facilities along the whole length of Doncaster Road	Traffic assessment of the whole of Doncaster Road required develop detailed proposals for improved pedestrian crossing facilities.	£3,500	Large pedestrian counts and traffic surveys required.
T6	Greystoke Avenue near junction of Dunmail & Eastleigh Road	Pedestrian crossing facilities are required to improve access and safety.	Locate new pedestrian refuge island away from existing bus stop. Provide new footway to access	Total £16,500 of which additional £8,200	This was a 2011/12 Traffic priority and was allocated £8,286. Requires

			crossing point, upgrade bus stop, introduce double yellow lines to prevent parking close to new island	from this years budget	additionally funding to implement.
Total approved:				£18,592	
It was agreed that the scheme study T4 (below) might be able to be funded if any of the above study costs could be recouped from a Section 106 funding in delivering schemes T2 & T3					
T4	Henbury Road junction with Crow lane and Henbury Village.	Concerns about visibility at the junction when exiting Rectory Gardens and speed /volume of vehicles using the one way section of Henbury Road and Hallen Road	Feasibility study to assess practicalities of introducing a mini roundabout at the junction and traffic claming and improved pedestrian facilities on Henbury Road and Hallen Road.	£3,000	Will include junction counts and local consultation on design options

(ii) Footway Resurfacing 2012-13 £42,000 budget

The meeting discussed the options presented but, noting concerns raised by Partnership residents, the Committee agreed to defer decisions about Footways, referring the matter to Traffic and Transport Sub-Group to do more work and re-present for decision at a future NP meeting **Action: KH**

(iii) Narrow Estate Roads 2012-13

The Committee noted that there is no agreed budget for 2012/13 yet allocated by the City Council. There is £20,816 accumulated from underspend in 2010/11 and the agreed 2011/12 allocation. Following site visits earlier in the year **the Committee resolved:**

Ref	Location	Ward	Estimated cost	Recommendation
1	Satchfield Close	Henbury	£16,000	It recommended that this scheme is funded from the from 2011/12 budget allocation

The Committee noted that this leaves an underspend of £4,816 still unallocated and **resolved following to address priority 2 of identified sites for Narrow Estate Road work:**

2	Passage Road	Henbury	£22,000	Use unallocated funding from 2011/12, and any budget that
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				may be allocated for 2012/13 to deliver improvements at this location
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(iv) Carriageway Resurfacing 2012-13 £46,400 budget

The Committee resolved:

Ref	Location	Ward	Estimated cost
C1	Passage Road Inbound (Crow Lane -Charlton Road)	Henbury	£13,600
C2	Wyck Beck Road Inbound (City Boundary-Crow Lane)	Henbury	£8,800
C3	Wyck Beck Road Outbound (Crow Lane –City Boundary)	Henbury	£9,700
C4	Charlton Road (Pen Park Road – No.318)	Henbury & Southmead	£7,800
C5	Charlton Road (No. 318 – City Boundary)	Henbury & Southmead	£2,600
C6	Brentry Lane (Knole Lane – Epworth Road)	Henbury	£2,900
C7	Burghill Road (Charlton Road – No.15)	Southmead	£1,000
	Totals		£46,400

The Committee also noted that there was an underspend from the 2011/12 Carriageway Resurfacing budget of £4,540. Highways officers tabled a list of potential schemes which could be delivered in addition and **the Committee resolved:**

C10	Ullswater Road (Gosforth Road to Ambleside Avenu)	Southmead	£2,700
C12	Ascot Road	Southmead	£2,100
	Totals		£4,800

9. SOUTHMEAD PARKS IMPROVEMENT PRIORITIES PLAN

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered a report of Environment and Leisure (Agenda Item No. 9) setting out Southmead parks improvement priorities plan.

The Partnership asked that equalities impact assessments be undertaken in relation to parks, with particular reference to disabled access.

RESOLVED –

That the Parks and Green Spaces Investment Plan for Southmead be approved

10. WELLBEING REPORT

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered a report of the Area Co-ordinator, Communities and Neighbourhoods (Agenda Item No. 10) setting out the wellbeing report.

RESOLVED -

- (1) that the current financial statement /budget in (Item 1 of the report) be noted;**
- (2) that the 2012/13 allocation of Wellbeing funding to this Neighbourhood Partnership be noted and the distribution of this funding as set out in the recommendation (item 2 of the report) be approved;**
- (3) that the recommendation to allow Friends of Okebourne Park to amend their use of approved Wellbeing funding and extend the timescale for use of it up to December 2012 (item 3.2 of the report) be approved;**
- (4) that the recommendation from the Southmead Steering Group to grant The Noise £600 from the 2012/13 Wellbeing Fund (item 3.3 of the report) be approved;**
- (5) that an additional meeting of the Neighbourhood Partnership be held at 7.00 pm on Wednesday, 9th May 2012 to consider Wellbeing applications to support Celebrating Age activities In the Neighbourhood Partnership Area;**
- (6) that the actions taken to improve the effective use of holiday activity Wellbeing funding (item 5 of the report) be noted;**
- (7) that the Wellbeing Monitoring report be noted, and approved the underspend request for Buckley Court**
- (8) that the successful securing of Community First funding for Henbury/Brentry (item 7 of the report) be noted; and**
- (9) that the legal information which supports all decisions about Wellbeing grant funding be noted (Item 8 of the report).**

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11. NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP UPDATE - AREA CO-ORDINATOR

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered a report of the Area Co-ordinator (Agenda Item No. 11) setting out an update report.

The Neighbourhood Partnership particularly noted the excellent work being done by the Police and Children and Young People's service, which had contributed to the reduction of anti social behaviour across the Neighbourhood Partnership area over the last three years.

AGREED -

(1) that the updates be noted; and

(2) that the recommendation on how to choose representations to the specification review event being organised as part of the Youth Links commissioning process (item 1.6 of the report) be approved.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 9th May 2012, venue to be confirmed.

(The meeting ended at 9.30 pm)

CHAIR