



**AGENDA ITEM NO: 5**

**HORFIELD AND LOCKLEAZE  
NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP  
7.00 PM ON WEDNESDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2012  
CAMERON CENTRE, CAMERON WALK, LOCKLEAZE  
BRISTOL BS7 9XB**

**PRESENT:**

**Ward Councillors**

Councillors Cheryl Ann and Peter Levy (Vice-Chair) (Horfield)  
Councillors Sean Emmett and Guy Poultney (Lockleaze)

**Partners**

Representatives of people who live and work in the Neighbourhoods of  
Horfield and Lockleaze

Jane Cunningham	(NP Chair) Horfield Resident / Walking 4 Health
Nick Stephenson	Resident and Equalities Representative
Martyn Chinn	Lockleaze Resident, Lockleaze Voice and LVNDF
Simon Mead	Lockleaze Resident and Friends of Muller Rd Rec Ground and Downend Park Farm
Graham Riddell	Lockleaze Resident and Friends of South Purdown
Steve Barrett	Horfield Resident
Alderman Bill Martin	Horfield Resident and Chair and Deputy Chair of Upper Horfield Community Trust
Sam Thomson	Horfield Resident and Friends of Horfield Common
Rachel Cobb	Bristol Community Housing Foundation
Robert Hall	Lockleaze Resident and Lockleaze Voice

**Other interested parties**

Johanna Holmes	Area Co-ordinator
Ruth Kenrick	Democratic Services Officer
Jennifer Mackley	Green Space Strategy Co-ordinator
Mark Sperduty	Area Manager North, Highways
Francis Mann	Walking and Cycling Project Officer, Highways
Denise James	Area Environmental Officer
Cllr Brenda Massey	Ward Councillor for Southmead

## **Apologies**

Apologies were received from Joy Langley, Anna George, Michael Guest and Oona Goldsworthy.

### **1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

The Chair of the NP welcomed those present and introductions were made.

The NP expressed its deepest sympathies to Joy Langley and her family at the recent passing of her husband Brian Langley. It was recognised that Brian had been very active within the community of Lockleaze and would be sadly missed.

It was noted that there was significant public interest in the surplus land decision to be made by the Committee that evening. A reporter from Bristol Evening Post made herself known from the public seating and the Neighbourhood Committee agreed that photographs could be taken during discussion of this item.

### **2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 8<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2011**

P8 Wellbeing Report – Young Rangers Youth Club  
Alderman Bill Martin raised a query regarding the subsequent turn of events relating to this application and it was agreed that Cllr Poultney would speak to him about it outside of the meeting.

**RESOLVED - that the minutes of the meeting of the Horfield and Lockleaze Neighbourhood Partnership held on 8<sup>th</sup> December 2011 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.**

## **Neighbourhood Committee items**

### **3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

### **4. PARKS AND GREEN SPACE STRATEGY – SURPLUS LAND DECISION**

The Neighbourhood Partnership received a report of Jennifer Mackley, Green Space Strategy Co-ordinator (agenda item no. 6) which asked the Neighbourhood Committee to decide whether or not the sites listed

were surplus to requirements for use as green space for recreation and could therefore be sold to raise money to re-invest in remaining parks and green space citywide and locally. The Neighbourhood Committee were also asked to re-confirm the original Cabinet decision of Dec 2010 to declare Wellington Hill Open Space as not surplus and therefore to retain it as green space for recreation. The facts had been presented, however there were no officer recommendations within the report.

Members of the public who had submitted a statement to the NP were given the opportunity to speak to their statement.

A copy of the public statements received are held in the minute book. The Committee agreed to take these into consideration when making its decision.

### Wellington Hill Open Space

The Chairman of the Neighbourhood Committee indicated that significant campaigning had taken place to retain the site for recreational purposes by the Ward Councillors, local residents and interest groups and he thanked all those involved.

**Upon a vote being taken the Neighbourhood Committee Resolved to confirm the original Cabinet decision of Dec 2010 to declare Wellington Hill Open Space as not surplus and therefore to retain it as green space for recreation**

In response to a question from a member of the public, it was clarified that at its meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2012, the Cabinet resolved that the Neighbourhood Committees within Neighbourhood Partnerships make the decision regarding the land proposed as surplus in the NP areas. It was further explained that all decisions relating to the spend of NP devolved budgets had to be taken by the Neighbourhood Committee. However this decision could be influenced by the NP members, interest groups and local residents.

Residents indicated that lessons should be learned over the public consultation process as there had been a lack of communication. Cllr Emmett indicated that his concerns over the consultation process had been well documented and recorded by the council.

### Part of Muller Road Recreation Ground, Part of Lockleaze Open Space and Part of Dovercourt Road Open Space

A number of NP partners spoke in strong opposition to future development of open spaces in Horfield and Lockleaze. The consensus of the Neighbourhood Partnership was that the sites should be retained as green space for recreation.

Each of the Ward Councillors provided some background history to their involvement with the various campaigns over many years to retain the sites identified as surplus. All indicated that at no point had they been approached by groups or any residents who were in favour of potentially selling off the land and on that basis they would be voting to retain the open space for recreation.

Councillor Poultney proposed that the three sites identified as surplus be retained for use as green space for recreation and this was seconded by Cllr Emmett.

**Upon a vote being taken the Neighbourhood Committee Resolved that the sites identified (part of Muller Road Recreation Ground, part of Lockleaze Open Space and part of Dovercourt Road Open Space) were not surplus to requirements and should therefore be retained by the council for use as green space for recreation.**

In response to a question from a member of the public, Jennifer Mackley explained that as the sites had not been declared surplus and were still required for recreational purposes, it was expected that they will be designated as 'Important Open Space' in the Site Allocations and Development Management, Development Plan document.

In respect of Muller Road Recreation Ground, it was noted that following the decision to retain the site it was important for officers to continue to re-engage with the Civil Service Club. Jennifer Mackley indicated that despite a number of attempts she had been unable to make contact with the Head Office. Cllr Ann agreed to assist Jennifer in this matter. Action JM/Cllr Ann.

## **5. PARKS INVESTMENT PLAN UPDATE REPORT**

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered a report of the Area Environmental Officer (agenda item no. 7) which provided an update on the Parks Investment Plan.

The following key issues were noted during the discussion that took place:-

- Denise James had recently taken over from Teresa Crichton as Area Environmental Officer for this NP area until the outcome of the departmental restructure which was currently ongoing.
- All references to the Ardagh will be removed from this document as the site has been transferred to the priorities for Bishopston, Cotham & Redland NP. **Action: Denise James**
- Bristol in Bloom – there had been no entries from the Horfield and Lockleaze NP area last year and Denise was keen to work with residents groups or schools to put in an entry this year. Anyone interested should contact Denise or Johanna Holmes.
- Stoke Park – it was noted that the security access to the park had been changed so the new code needed to be passed on to the emergency services. **Action: Denise James.**
- Dovercourt Park entrance of Muller Road Recreation Ground. A huge amount of clearance of brambles, old fencing and debris had been undertaken in this area. The comment was made that unfortunately this area was notoriously used as a dumping ground. It was suggested that local residents might work with Denise James to try to prevent it from becoming the case again. The Chairman indicated that the Avon & Somerset Police Authority were keen to tackle flytipping as it was recognised as a criminal offence and subject to prosecution. He encouraged everyone to report any incidences to Denise James or the police  
**Action: All**
- New waste services and cleansing contract. It was recognised that some pockets had been missed under the old contract however these were beginning to be picked up and included in the new contract with May Gurney. It was suggested that this topic might be usefully discussed at the next round of Neighbourhood Forum meetings. **Action Johanna Holmes.**  
- It was agreed that an outstanding issue relating to the clearing of an area in Blake Road be clarified outside of the meeting.  
**Action Denise James to speak to Robert Hall.**
- It was suggested that sports and parks should not be seen as separate and that the Parks Investment Plans should include ways for investment for sports on green spaces. It was clarified that this investment plan was not set in stone and could be amended to reflect additional priorities as agreed by the NP.
- It was requested that the need to provide some seating/benches for Stoke Park should be included within the investment plan.

**The Neighbourhood Committee Resolved that the report be noted.**

## 6. DEVOLVED TRANSPORT SCHEMES 2012-13

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered a report of the Area Manager Traffic Management (agenda item no. 8) relating to the devolved transport budgets available to the Horfield and Lockleaze Neighbourhood Partnership.

### Local Traffic Schemes - £17,147 to spend

David Matthews was given the opportunity to speak to the statement he had submitted on behalf of Horfield CP School Parents (a copy of the statement is held in the minute book) relating to concerns over pedestrian safety on Southmead Road.

**Following discussion the Neighbourhood Committee Resolved that the following schemes be agreed:**

**T10 Kellaway Avenue, Horfield (provision of a zebra crossing) – up to £5000 on the condition that the S106 monies available from the Bovis contract is re-negotiated with the S106 officer for use on this scheme. The balance to be reported back to the next NP meeting.**

**T14 Southmead Road, Horfield (provision of a zebra crossing) – up to £5000 on the condition that this contribution together with the contribution from Henleaze, Westbury on Trym and Stoke Bishop Neighbourhood Partnership can be match funded by the capital programme in order to fund the completion of the scheme**

**T15 Filton Avenue, Lockleaze (incomplete NP traffic scheme) - £1500**

**£1500 for minor lines and signs within the NP area under officers discretion (as last year)**

### Footway Resurfacing - £42,000 to spend

The following main issues were noted during the discussion that took place

- Outstanding work relating to Copley Gardens. Officers indicated that it had been agreed with the contractors to get the work done and a timescale would be reported back to the NP.

**Following discussion the Neighbourhood Committee Resolved that the following schemes be agreed:**

**F2 Sheridan Road, Horfield- £15, 000**

**The balance of £27,000 to be put towards F1 Eden Grove, Horfield**

### Carriageway Surface Dressing

**The Neighbourhood Committee Resolved that the roads identified for surface dressing as set out in the report Ref C1 through to C10 be agreed.**

### Section 106

**Following discussion the Neighbourhood Committee Resolved that the prioritisation of the S106 (monies from development) transport specific schemes S2 and S3 as set out in the report be agreed and that S5 be renegotiated by officers**

## **7. WELLBEING REPORT**

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered a report of the Area Co-ordinator (agenda item no. 10) setting out the Wellbeing budget and spend to date. The NP also considered the recommendations of the Grants sub-group regarding current grant applications.

The following issues were noted during discussion of this item:-

- Glenfrome Primary School. It was noted that the amount requested of £2500 would be ring fenced pending receipt of satisfactory answers to the questions raised by the Grants Sub Group. It was also necessary to find out from the school the scope and total cost of the project and how any balance over and above £2500 would be funded.
- Following his suggestion, it was agreed that Nick Stephenson would work with the Area Co-ordinator to look at the form from an equalities perspective.

### **The Neighbourhood Committee Resolved**

- (1) that the recommendations of the sub-group be approved as annotated (Appendix A)**
- (2) that the priorities for the grants application form be revised to reflect the priorities for the Neighbourhood Partnership**

## 8. DEVOLVED SERVICES REPORT

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered a report of the Area Coordinator (agenda item no. 9) setting out progress on all devolved services and requesting decisions where required.

### Section 106 proposals from other Neighbourhood Partnerships

Henbury and Southmead NP – request for 50% of £21, 935.73 to build a zebra crossing on Doncaster Road

Councillor Brenda Massey attended to explain the background to this proposal.

**The Neighbourhood Committee Resolved that up to £10,000 be approved on the condition that match funding was met by Henbury & Southmead NP.**

### Devolved Clean and Green

**The Neighbourhood Committee Resolved that the following environmental improvements be approved:-**

- **Cameron Centre, Lockleaze - £150**
- **Bell Close Lane, Horfield - £100**
- **£300 – 3 x £100 to be used on plants for Orchard School Bristol's Environmental Sub Group, Upper Horfield Primary School and Ash Lea Court residential home**

It was suggested that at the next meeting of the Environment Working Group, environmental improvements be identified in order to use up the current underspends for 2011/12 in respect of Horfield and for Lockleaze.

Simon Mead indicated that he would like to see a copy of the criteria used for the allocation of clean and green devolved budget so that he could encourage applications for this funding which was available through the NP. **Action JH - send to all for info**

### Bus Shelter Offer

**The Neighbourhood Committee Resolved to defer consideration of this proposal to the next meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> June 2012**



## **Neighbourhood Partnership Items**

### **9. GAINSBOROUGH SQUARE PROJECT PROPOSAL**

The Neighbourhood Partnership received a report of the Project Manager City Design (agenda item no. 11) requesting endorsement of the draft Cabinet report which aims to use upfront investment and council assets at Gainsborough Square to deliver a step change in quality and viability of the local centre.

The following main issues were noted during the discussion that took place:-

- It was clarified that there were no financial implications for the Horfield and Lockleaze Neighbourhood Partnership
- The NP felt that it was not in a position to 'endorse' the proposals as there was not enough information contained in the report, however it certainly welcomed them and were keen to see them progressed.

**The Neighbourhood Partnership Resolved to note the proposals**

### **10. AREA CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT**

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered a report of the Area Co-ordinator (agenda item no. 12).

The following main issues were noted during the discussion that took place:

- Any ideas for use of the communications budget would be very much welcomed by the Area Co-ordinator
- It was requested that BCC Regeneration Officer of the Employment and Economy Sub Group be invited to the next meeting to give a report on the status of the group.
- Cllr Poultney indicated that he had previously raised some concerns about the Employment and Economy Sub Groups recommendation to fund the Boing! application out of Hewlett-Packard / Wallscourt Farm Section 106 money, however after receiving some further clarification he wished to put on record his full support of the recommendation and this application.
- All were encouraged to get involved with the Celebrating Age Festival taking place from 9<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2012.

**The Neighbourhood Partnership Resolved to note the report**

**11. NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP ACTION SHEET**

The Neighbourhood Partnership considered the on-going action sheet (agenda item no. 13).

Page 123, 2.07/11 Public Forum Horfield Railway. Cllr Emmett indicated that there was currently a Department of Transport consultation out on the possible re-opening of Horfield Railway and encouraged all to respond by 31<sup>st</sup> March.

The Chair of the NP confirmed that as requested by the NP she had written to the local MP to lobby for the re-opening of Horfield station, however had not yet received a reply despite chasing for a response.

**The Neighbourhood Partnership Resolved that the actions marked complete would now come off the list for next time**

**12. A.O.B**

The Chair of the NP indicated that the recent informal meeting of members had discussed ideas on ways of raising the profile of this NP, and to highlight projects that have been funded through this NP to encourage other groups to make applications, as suggested by the Wellbeing Sub-Group. Sam Thomson had followed up the meeting with some good ideas which could include working with UWE, Filton College and Orchard School. The NP agreed that a working group should be set up to take this forward. **Action: Chair of NP/JH** Anyone wishing to join this sub-group should contact the NP Chair or the Area Co-ordinator. Cllr Poultney expressed an interest and suggested that this could be a pilot with the potential to be rolled out city-wide.

**13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Horfield and Lockleaze Neighbourhood Partnership is to be held on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2012 at 7.00 p.m. at a venue to be confirmed.

(Please note the date of the next meeting has been changed to Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2012 at 7.00 pm at Upper Horfield Community Trust)

(The meeting ended at 9.45 pm)

CHAIR

No	Ward	Group	Description of project	£ Requested	£ Sub-Group Recommend	Notes
1	Lockleaze	Glenfrome Primary School	Sensory Garden & Equipment	£2,500.00	Undecided	<p>A member of the Sub-Group questioned plans for future building at the school and whether this would be affected? The group requested further information before making final recommendation. Have the group/school applied elsewhere eg other NPs or are they asking H&amp;L NP for all of it. Could they ask from others? Do they know about Avon Garden fund that fund this type of project? <a href="http://www.avongardenstrust.org.uk/">http://www.avongardenstrust.org.uk/</a></p> <p><b>Upheld by Neighbourhood Committee (NC)</b></p>
2	L&H	North Bristol Somali Women's Group	Somali Women's Group equipment and event	£2,000.00	£500.00	<p>Sub-Group uncomfortable about recommending a large grant to a group that hasn't actually established itself / got going yet. Recommend £500 for the event referred to in the bid to get them started. Welcome future application for equipment once group up and running and properly constituted.</p> <p><b>Upheld by NC</b></p>

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3	L&H	Upper Horfield Comm Trust / CwC Group	Confidence with Computers	£115.00	<b>£115.00</b>	Group recommend to fully fund without conditions.  Bill Martin abstained from voting. One other member had already left the meeting.
4	L&H	Upper Horfield Comm Trust / CW Group	Creative Writing	£1,200.00	<b>£750.00</b>	The Group felt this was a lot of money especially given it could be classed revenue funding. Group recommend contributing 50% of room hire for 45 weeks (not fully fund for 20 weeks). Can they ask their members for a small contribution towards costs (£1each)? Recommendation is about encouraging the group to be more sustainable.  Bill Martin abstained from voting and left the room whilst discussions took place. Another member of the group had already left the meeting.  Q: The Sub-Group would like to know how it's advertised to the community that this group exists? <b>Upheld by NC</b>
5	L&H	Upper Horfield Comm Trust /	Craft & Chat	£1,200.00	<b>£750.00</b>	AS ABOVE: The Group felt this was a lot of money especially given it could be classed revenue funding. Group recommend contributing 50% of room hire for 45 weeks (not fully fund for 20 weeks). Can they ask their members for a small contribution towards costs

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