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PETERBOROUGH WEST NEIGHBOURHOOD COUNCIL (NEIGHBOURHOOD COUNCIL N&W3)

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 30 JUNE 2010, 7.00 p.m.

Members Present:

Chairman	Councillor Nash
Bretton South	Councillor Fletcher
Bretton North	Councillor Nash as Chairman
Ravensthorpe	Councillor Nawaz
West	Councillors S Dalton and Arculus

Officers Present:

Caroline Rowan	Neighbourhood Manager, PCC
Alex Daynes	Democratic Services, PCC
Andy Chu	Neighbourhood Services, PCC
Ian Tobin	Neighbourhood Services, PCC
Jonathan Mold	Community Development, PCC
Adrian Chapman	Head of Neighbourhood Services, PCC
Sabrina Bezkorowajnyj	Young People's Service, PCC
Denham Hughes	Young People's Service, PCC
Carmen Jeffrey	Young People's Service, PCC
Rachel Thornton	Communications, PCC
Mike Roberts	Planning Services, PCC

Others Present:

PC Steve Godfrey	Cambridgeshire Constabulary
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22 Members of the public attended including representatives from Cross Keys Homes, Disability Forum, Westwood Residents and Community Hub, Tollgate Residents, Hartwell Way Allotments Association, Bretton Parish Council, Axiom Residents Forum, NHS Peterborough and Westwood and Ravensthorpe Youth Project.

ITEM	DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS	ACTION
1. Apologies	Apologies were received from Cllrs Morley, Fitzgerald and Newton.	
2. Declarations of Interest	There were no declarations of interest.	
3. Minutes from the previous meeting	The minutes from the previous meeting held 2 March 2010 were approved as an accurate record.	
4. Election of Vice-Chairman	Cllr Nash nominated Cllr M Dalton, seconded by Cllr Nawaz, AGREED. No other nominations were received.	
5. Young People and Youth	An officer from the Young People's Service introduced and presented information on Rock in the Park on 12 August from 2-	

<p>Services</p>	<p>9pm in Bretton Park including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Festival for 13-19 year olds; • Most activities are free, themed on healthy living and personal wellbeing; • Have been planning for over a year; • Linking with other organisations for activities too; • No adults allowed on the stage, all young people; • Sports, music, DJing, filming; • Hopes to change attitudes towards young people. <p>Issues and questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair - needs support from everyone to make it a big success. 	
<p>6. Community Action Plans</p>	<p>The Neighbourhood manager gave an update on the Community Action Plan (CAP) for the Neighbourhood Area including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daytime and evening consultations were held; • Areas for actions highlighted on map of the area; • Will be 2 versions; a short concise one and a detailed version; • Will include priorities for the area; • Currently populating the plan with data from all the consultations and across the neighbourhood; • Will align with partners and other service providers and a draft to be presented in September; <p>The Neighbourhood Manager asked how everyone should be kept informed of the CAP until September. Comments and responses to questions included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bretton PC - liaise with Parish Councils, Bretton Parish has an area action plan from 5 years ago – involve young people to develop actions; • Ed Murphy - was done with Bretton 2010 already so sometimes seems a repetition; Frances Fox - previous council survey got replaced with Bretton 2010 vision but no actions achieved; • Ravensthorpe, use the bi-monthly newsletter from Cllr Nawaz; • Cllr S Dalton – contact residents associations, councillor newsletters are delivered in West Ward too; • Similar to Bretton 2010 plans which faded away but now no money for anything – budget cuts should not be a reason to not move forward with plans; <i>Neighbourhood Manager - it is not always about money but also to influence existing council services;</i> • Adrian Chapman – Bretton is the only parished area so we could have consulted differently, could meet outside to discuss how to deliver in tandem with the Parish Council; • Disabled groups are being consulted for each Neighbourhood Area; • Young People Service – we do volunteering and therefore funds are not always needed to rectify problems if everyone 	

	<p>works together; Chairman - need to spread the word and publicise this voluntary group more to get this message across;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Fletcher – South Bretton has an area that nobody owns so cannot rectify problems.; Adrian Chapman – very difficult as no-one takes responsibility, will try to unblock the bureaucracy; • Denham Hughes – building community, time bank, from Cross Keys Homes, donate time for the community and someone can pay that back for you; • Neighbourhood Manager – inspections are taking place in the area and remedial works are taking place relating to paving issues. Ratings of 1-5 are given which will then get fed into the scheme of works for the next year; • The Neighbourhood Manager confirmed that the CAP aimed to build a better community for everyone and therefore everyone’s views would be sought and included. <p>ACTION: Investigate issues with land at Copeland and try to resolve.</p>	<p>AC</p> <p>AC</p>
<p>7. Proposed Planning Application for Prison Extension</p>	<p>Mike Roberts introduced the proposed extension to the prison advising that the planning application had been received and the consultation was due to finish in 3 weeks time. Details of the application included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of a new, four-storey, v-shaped house block for male inmates; • Same height as existing ‘star’ building and same materials; • Perimeter wall will move out; • New kitchen block, relocation of sports pitch, new visitor centre; need to determine what will happen to existing visitor centre; • Relocation of public and staff parking; • Construction over about 18 months; • PCC has not allowed parking on the park land outside during construction; • Will use current staff access to enter the site; • Issues with footpaths around the site still to be resolved; • All HGV vehicles will approach via A47 and Gresley Way; • Construction works between 7.30am and 7pm and on Saturday mornings; <p>Comments raised and responses to questions included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The extension was applied for before the new government came to power when more prison places were needed; you have until 20 July to register your views with Planning dept; • The same planning processes must be followed for public as with private buildings; • Local Resident - Need to ensure the building is not started and then cancelled half way through • The city council cannot enforce a timescale on the completion of the building works; • The decision is currently deferred to officers. Therefore if you want it to go to a public committee for determination, 	

	<p>local people need to get in touch with ward councillors to do this;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Dalton – how planning applications are communicated to the public should be reviewed; • Denham Hughes, this will create another 95 jobs but where will they park? – <i>Mike Roberts, new parking will encroach on existing cycle way but parkland will be maintained;</i> • MJ Latha; should raise the issue with MPs to discuss the planning application and ensure that it finishes or doesn't start in the first place. Also ask MPs to put the issue on their weekly press bulletins; • It will be an essential part of the scheme to resolve the construction access and egress before and after the build; • Unaware of any future extension plans but it is cheaper to extend prisons than build new ones. <p>ACTION:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Raise issues with local MPs to ensure that if building work starts it will be finished in good time; 2. Liaise with local MPs to include the issue in their weekly bulletins to raise public awareness of it. 	<p>CR</p> <p>Caroline Rowan Caroline Rowan</p>
<p>8. Open Session</p>	<p>Attendees were given the opportunity to ask any questions or to make any comments in relation to the area in which they lived. Issues and observations which were highlighted included:</p> <p><u>Grass Verges</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What development for grass verge issue? – around Hartwell Way, clear way applies on the roads but not on the grass? <i>This is a city wide issue and a new parking policy is being developed city wide to ensure a consistent approach – by end of summer;</i> • PC Godfrey - If cars are on the footpath Police can enforce but not if on grass verge as it is not on the highway; • Promises were made at Policing panels but no actions, over 3 years to resolve this; • PC Godfrey - need to report issues to the Police. It is not council remit regarding police numbers and issues; Councillors can also approach Police to put pressure on to provide more officers; • Adrian Chapman - council does have a responsibility too, must join up to use all powers. There was a pilot scheme in Dogsthorpe about this which should be rolled out across the city; • Sandra Lawson, Streetleader – it seems that residents are allowed to park on verges. Some residents have laid gravel and slabs over destroyed verges. – <i>This is not allowed. Please leave details of incidents;</i> • Resident - an urban clearway should cover the whole area, not just the paved road, responsibilities for the different sections of roads not resolved either between parties; • Some people have cut down trees to park – <i>will look into policies and get back;</i> <p><u>Off licence in Netherton</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The premises did pass the test purchasing but it can be done again; 	<p>CR</p>

	<p><u>Car park at shops at Westwood</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A barrier was put up but people are still driving straight past it and over the pavement, including council vehicles and dustbin lorries. Can people do this with a trading licence? – <i>will find out restrictions regarding street trading licence and driving over pavements to access premises;</i> <p><u>Cresset</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David, North Bretton, updates? <i>Lift works start on Monday and to finish in July, only closing the theatre part;</i> • Went to book tickets for later in the year and was told it's active until December; • Bretton PC - would remain open for schools' events; <p><u>Bus Services</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accuracy of numbers reported on buses? Is it being done correctly by drivers? <p><u>Traffic / Road works</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David – development on Lincoln Road near Morrisons, traffic backing up very badly – <i>will get update on road works situation for the area;</i> - possibly 8 more weeks; • Bretton road works, when finish? <p><u>Longthorpe</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ponds at Longthorpe, trying to clear the site but does get camping and fires etc; • Cllr Dalton – there is an issue with a group of youths and it is being addressed – it is a Police Panel priority too; • Has Opportunity Peterborough disbanded? – <i>No, its remit has changed, no longer leading on growth, council took that back now.</i> • Cllrs Newton and Nawaz had contributed to funds to local allotment provision; <p>ACTION:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Investigate incidents of verge parking; 2. Investigate policy regarding removal of trees for parking; 3. Investigate restrictions regarding driving over pavements to access premises if holding a street trading licence; 4. Update on road works schemes in the area; 	<p>CR</p> <p>CR</p> <p>Caroline Rowan Caroline Rowan</p>
<p>10. Next Meeting</p>	<p>The next meeting is to be held on 29 September 2010.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who decides times scales between meetings? – <i>is in constitution for quarterly meetings but would like to update quicker</i> – maybe meet more often to provide updates; • Bretton PC has a notice board which information could be displayed, why not Neighbourhoods boards too? 	

Meeting closed at 8.40 p.m.

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