

PETERBOROUGH WEST NEIGHBOURHOOD COUNCIL (NEIGHBOURHOOD COUNCIL N&W3)

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 29 SEPTEMBER 2010, 7.00 p.m.

Members	Present:

Chairman Bretton South Bretton North Ravensthorpe West

Officers Present:

Julie Rivett Alex Daynes Gemma Wildman Amy Bowles Leonie McCarthy Mandy Ward Councillor Nash Councillor Fletcher Councillors Fitzgerald and Nash (as Chairman) Councillors Nawaz and Newton Councillors S Dalton and Arculus

Neighbourhood Manager, PCC Democratic Services, PCC Principal Strategic Planning Officer, PCC Transport Planning Officer, PCC Neighbourhood Manager - City Wide, PCC Media & Communications Officer, PCC

Others Present:

23 Members of the public attended including representatives from Peterborough LINk, Bretton Parish Council, Disability Forum, Axiom Residents Forum, Neighbourhood Panel, Friends of Holywell Ponds, TGRA, NHSP, Thorpe Meadows Residents Committee, Deerleap Residents Association and Children's Services (PCC).

ITEM	DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS	ACTION
1. Apologies	Apologies were received from Cllrs M Dalton and Morley.	
2. Declarations of Interest	There were no declarations of interest.	
3. Minutes from the previous meeting	 The minutes from the previous meeting held 30 June 2010 were approved as an accurate record. The Neighbourhood Manager gave updates on actions from last the meeting including: <u>Copeland Centre car park</u> – Crown won't repair car park as would accept responsibility, is looking to sell the land at best value instead and would look for a third party to pay valuation cost of £750; Cllr Fletcher – previous position was different. Should go back to explain previous position; NManager will continue liaising with solicitors for Crown; <u>Parking on verges, removal of trees</u> – this is not allowed. Access for driving over verges or pavements not allowed, have communicated with Head of City Services; Neville Austin – drivers go over pavements every time to get to recycling banks; N Manager to go back to City Services to 	JR

	reaffirm position;	JR
	 Ray Kingswell, resident – Verges parking – what will be done?– <i>it is personal responsibility but not enough resources to enforce every incident;</i> <u>Schedule of Road Works</u> – has document tonight for viewing if needed. ACTION: 1) Continue liaising with solicitor for Crown to resolve Copeland car park issue. 	
	2) Contact City Services re collection vehicles driving over pavements.	Julie Rivett
4. Local Transport Plan	Chair requested that a shuttle bus was introduced from city centre to new hospital site and station and also a tourism bus to help promote city's culture and tourist attractions. Confirmed that Transport teams would include this in the consultation and was being considered by officers and Vivacity.	
	The Transport Planning Officer introduced the Local Transport Plan 3 (LTP3) which covered transport and travel aspirations for the next 5 years advising that there was now opportunity to consult on the plans.	
	Comments, questions and responses included:	
	 Taxi operators concerned over possibility of a bus lane in Bourges Boulevard; There is a S106 requirement for the hospital developer to provide a transport service; John Green, pensioner's association expressed concern about high cost of parking at hospitals. Any transport link needs to be affordable to get cars off the road; Media & Communications Officer – there is a health hopper bus service being arranged between Queensgate, Care Centre and new hospital site from 6am-8pm ready for opening date starting from 15 November; Media & Communications Officer – correct road signs will be installed in tandem with opening of new hospital; Cllr Arculus – will parking restrictions in surrounding area be removed when PDH closes? - Will report back; How is equality of opportunity in transport defined – some areas are more deprived than others so less private transport options therefore more alternative transport opportunities are needed; Cllr Arculus – re business parks, will LTP3 ensure there is sufficient parking for businesses when also trying to encourage cycling etc? Glennis Bentley - road markings past Edith Cavell are confusing when narrowing from 2 lanes to 1 lane, why not point one straight and one to turn off? Cllr Dalton – highways did reply and will forward response; NManager – a priority from Community Action Plan is around parking strategy; Cllr Dalton - Cycle lane along Thorpe Road needed; 	JR
	ACTION: investigate parking restrictions around PDH site when it closes.	Julie Rivett

5. Census 2011	Leonie McCarthy presented information about Census 2011. PCC was looking to encourage local people to volunteer and get involved in order to identify and access hard to reach groups to ensure as many people as possible complete the census – £6000 received from government over ten years per form completed – to ensure relevant funding and service provision is in place for the area. Questions would be addressed in the open session.	
6. Site Allocations Document	Gemma Wildman introduced the proposed developments in the neighbourhood area giving timescales for the approval of the Site Allocation Document and further information including:	
	 Current draft document incorporates consultation and responses received earlier this year. Will be further opportunity for public consultation next year; Proposals included regeneration of the Bretton district centre and site of former Bretton Woods School and Ravensthorpe local centre redevelopment. Netherton Grange allotments already awarded planning permission. Possible housing development on the former Freeman's site. 	
	Comments, questions and responses included:	
7	 Cllr Fletcher – why build housing on Freeman's site, it is an industrial centre; Glennis Bentley – losing allotments for housing again, Ravensthorpe is deficient in allotment sites but the document reduces allotments again; The existing hospital site will be dealt with in the city centre action plan, a separate document; How were sites identified? – <i>landowners, developers, community were all invited to put forward development sites</i>; Bretton Centre – what is happening to it? – <i>there is a boundary for the centre and this is confirmed in the document (similar to other centres such as Werrington and Millfield), could include housing in redevelopments;</i> Cllr Dalton – old hospital site plan is coming to a future meeting hopefully to be held near the site; When plans go forward for housing, what about school, health and transport provision; Bretton Woods was closed down? – <i>will be dealt with when planning applications for sites come in and could include S106 funding;</i> Ray Cave – who will pay for cost of demolishing Freemans buildings, £4m?; Dearleap Residents Association – housing was planned for Bretton Woods site years ago but nothing happened following Bretton 2010, why would it happen now? – <i>This is a 15 year plan so would expect development in that time.</i> 	
7. Neighbourhood Council	The Neighbourhood Manager gave an update on the budget situation for this Neighbourhood Council and advised that Ward Councillors had been requested to submit suggestions for	

Budget	spending. From April 2011 onwards, there would be an agreed process for spending, in line with the Community Action Plans. A shortlist of ideas would be presented to the next meeting for Elected Members to vote on.	
	Comments, questions and responses included:	
	 Can only elected members vote? - yes but all can contribute to discussion and submission of requests; Cllr Dalton - what are restrictions around the spending? Same as CLF? What if ongoing costs? - when shortlist arranged, will investigate if any relevant restrictions; Cllr Arculus - concern over budget across the city being stretched, could this budget be directed back to where it was taken from to allow investment to city wide infrastructure? - was in the Medium Term Financial plan from the start of the year and had not been cut from another service; Cllr Fitzgerald - budget was allocated to Localism Agenda from the main budget, £175k across all councils so in effect it had come from core budget. However, total money could go into park and ride or local service provision which could benefit all city neighbourhoods not just small spending on local projects; Glennis Bentley - there are many ways of saving money in the council; need to feel local people are contributing to the local area; 	
8. Open Session	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:	
	 Audrey Goodwin, Street Leader Ledbury Road – regarding removal of cleansing team from Netherton shops, what standards expected from shopkeepers and what enforcement? – Neighbourhood Management team to respond outside meeting. Is an ongoing issue and meeting tomorrow with relevant groups to resolve issues; Audrey Goodwin - Who to contact when parking issues arise in Netherton area following opening of new hospital – Contact Neighbourhood Manager who will liaise with Mandy Ward, from the Comms team to contact the hospital to address what is mainly staff parking; staggered opening of new hospital should ensure adequate parking available; Audrey Goodwin – Designated Public Prohibition Order in Longthorpe re non-alcohol zones, why not for other areas which are more in need of this? – will arrange for an officer to attend next meeting to discuss DPPOs and how to arrange; Cllr Fitzgerald – does take time to install yellow lines and other parking restrictions so if to be done, need to start now before opening of hospital; Glennis Bentley – concerned about raised staff parking fees at new hospital which would encourage parking elsewhere; Media & Communications Officer – hospital trust is working with staff trying to alleviate reliance on cars; 	JR

	 State of pavements at entrance to Benland, no improvements have been made and no updates provided from officers. Chair – give details to Neighbourhood officers to chase up, give 2 weeks for response; 	JR
	 Cllr Nawaz – have reported in May about missing street signs but nothing done so far. Chair – give details to Neighbourhood officers to chase up, give 2 weeks for response; 	JR
	 Who is responsible for Westwood shops' maintenance since Cross Keys left as in very bad condition especially toilet block behind? – Maureen Lazaretti from Cross Keys - will take details and the area is on the site plan for redevelopment and a joint venture is being investigated to achieve this – if pass details on will arrange for relevant manager to respond. Some land is PCC owned; 	
	 New hospital opening but not enough parking for staff and patients. <i>Media & Communications Officer – patient parking will take priority over staff parking;</i> Cllr Fitzgerald – agree with concerns raised about parking but cars are used and will be used, need to make provision for cars; 	
	 Parking in Ravensthorpe - what are rights and restrictions for residents as some are claiming communal spaces as private property? 	JR
2 a 3 a 4	 ACTION: 1) Arrange officer at next meeting for DPPOs; 2) Pavements outside Benland, Bretton – arrange action to address; 3) Missing street signs in Ravensthorpe – arrange action to address; 4) Provide information regarding communal parking spaces for Ravensthorpe residents. 	Julie Rivett Julie Rivett Julie Rivett
9. Next Meeting T	The next meeting is to be held on Monday 20 December 2010.	

Meeting closed at 8.55 p.m.

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