

Cllr Goodwin (Chairman)

Stanground Central: Cllr M Cereste, Cllr B Rush & Cllr I Walsh

Stanground East: Cllr J Wilkinson

Fletton: Cllr F Benton, Cllr M Lee & Cllr L Serluca

DRAFT MINUTES

Of a meeting of the

FLETTON, STANGROUND AND WOODSTON NEIGHBOURHOOD COUNCIL

(Area South 1)

Held on Tuesday 21 December 2010 at 7.00 pm At The Fleet, Fletton, Peterborough

Members Present:

Chairman Councillor Goodwin Stanground Central Councillor Rush, Walsh

Fletton Councillor Lee

Officers Present:

Lisa Emmanuel Neighbourhood Manager, PCC Alex Daynes Senior Governance Officer, PCC

Susan Schofield Community Based Youth Worker, PCC Sally Crawford Community Governance Manager, PCC

Others Present:

Matt Snow Cambridgeshire Constabulary

Ed Moss Digital Switchover

21 people attended the meeting of which 8 were local residents and 13 represented local residents groups, local organisations and service providers.

Item	Discussion and Actions	Action
1. Apologies	Apologies were received from Councillor Benton and Councillor Serluca.	
2. Declarations of Interest	There were no declarations of interest.	
3. Minutes from the previous meeting	An issue was raised with the minutes of the meeting held on 2 September - Cllr Lee's apologies were not read out at the meeting but were in the minutes. The clerk responded that apologies received but not read out at the meeting could be record in a different way to reflect this. Agreed.	

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Digital Switchover	Ed Moss gave information on changing over to digital TV including:	
	30 April all channels will change over to digital.	
	Many people are eligible for free assistance in converting.	
	Responses to questions included:	
	 Cannot alter or change communal aerials but many already upgraded so would only have to change equipment in house. 	
	 Sky and Virgin customers won't be affected but if that service fails, would need a digital backup to receive a domestic digital signal. Midlands TV signal from Waltham, East Anglia signal from Sandy Heath. 	
	 Any customer would arrange a time for workmen to arrive and can have a password and will have photo identification. Partially sighted, hard of hearing and multi-languages are catered for too. 	
4. Youth Forum	Susan Schofield introduced information about the Youth Forum and advised that it would present regularly at meetings on their work.	
	Kiera, Chloe and Harriet from the Youth Forum addressed the meeting and advised that some priorities identified were a Shelter at Park Farm or Fletton and also to improve the river area for everyone.	
	Questions and responses included:	
	Who gave information about the river work? – spoken to young people recently in the area on how to spend the money allocated.	
	Chair – what was the training day? Susan Schofield – was in October and all young people given chance to attend a day's training at Posh ground on how to work together, share ideas, make changes and how to develop.	
	Can you attend and present to Stanground Youth Project? - Can do yes.	
	Will there be another event day? How did you let young people know of the training day? Susan Schofield - have liaised with school councils and addressed school assemblies etc. Hoping more will participate.	
	What is the one thing that discourages other young people? Susan Schofield - maybe intimidated to voice opinions and speak out. Trying to show it isn't difficult and trying to encourage them.	
7. Ward Name Change proposals	The chairman advised there would be a change in the agenda order so Ward Name Change proposals would be considered next.	
	Sally Crawford addressed the meeting advising the following:	
	 Earlier this year Councillors were approached by residents to change name of wards to reflect geographical areas; Have to apply to boundary commission for permission for 	

Council to approve if no significant objections; • Would like views tonight of this meeting. Comments, questions, responses included: Chris York – considering the budget cuts, why and who chose names? Sally Crawford - residents approached ward councillors who approached Council. Cllr Rush - was Stanground and Stanground South but parts of Fletton included in Stanground Central so some Fletton residents wanted this change. Cllr Lee – also Woodston residents expressed interest in this as always referred to as Fletton Ward e.g. the Local List for important buildings was issued and all referred to Fletton, not to Woodston. Cllr Walsh - also some people did not vote as felt not reflected or included by ward names and hope this encourages more voting. Chris York - cost? Sally Crawford - minimal cost, only the consultation; printing of cards and responses which were delivered for free so no significant costs. Audrey Chalmers – It will only be electoral wards that change, not boundaries and won't affect postal addresses as some say Woodston but should be Old Fletton. Sally Crawford - no proposal to change the boundaries yet, only the name. Fletton resident - consider myself nothing to do with Stanground Central but always included in Stanground Central issues. Cllr Walsh – an example of why it should have the name change to better clarify for residents who the local ward councillors are and what issues affect their area. Cllr Lee - need to clarify the boundaries as they have become blurred. Over next 10 years looking to address this with Boundary Commission but cannot be done yet. Look to historic boundaries for this. Peter Slinger – changing name is right step forward at the moment. Chair - agrees that the neighbourhood council is generally supportive of the proposed name change. 5. PCC Budget Chairman advises that the full budget cannot be presented due to the late publication of the government settlement. There would be opportunity to attend a budget consultation on 6 January at 6pm and then observe the scheduled Scrutiny of the budget if desired. Chairman reads a press release re the budget and government award to council. 6. Neighbourhood Lisa Emmanuel presented information on updates and spending Council Budget allocations so far on the agreed proposals for the council's area. Questions and comments included:

Chris York – proposed refurbished play areas still ongoing? Lisa Emmanuel – did lose play builder fund from government. Cllr Lee advised – have spent some of the money but remainder has gone so now looking for other funding. The upgrade programme from Council will continue. S106 monies will still go ahead so just play builder projects lost. There are two Fletton recreation grounds; one near the Cherry Tree pub and one near the cemetery with same name. Upgrades due to both.

What was due to be spent in Fletton? Lisa Emmanuel - nothing spent yet. Still costing and finding best areas to spend and allocate to.

Lisa Emmanuel – only one proposal for footpath improvement so far.

Cllr Lee – lots of street works in Fletton and Woodston.

Lisa Emmanuel – total allocated is not exactly £25k as some proposals were not approved. Also, speed watch equipment cost reduced by £1000 and some other costs could come down so could allocate more to other approved proposals.

How allocate smart water kits? Lisa Emmanuel - working with local Police to identify most vulnerable areas. Matt Snow – will target most vulnerable people to being with.

Footpath repairs – why not keep maintained and kill weeds etc? Cllr Lee – cannot use most effective weed killers any more so left with less effective ones and have to also pull out by hand. In slabbed paving areas it was more difficult to keep maintained.

8. Open Session

Attendees were given the opportunity to ask questions and raise issues affecting the area they lived in. These included:

Cllr Lee – could new signs be installed naming each Fletton rec ground correctly?

Chairman requests everyone fills in the review questionnaires before leaving.

Street lighting – Fletton High Street, now an A class road but poor lighting. Cllr Lee – is being replaced but gradually, another £2m in budget to replace lighting across the city.

Street lights at sugar way shopping centre are always on, never off. Who is responsible for this? Cllr Lee – is responsibility of private landlord there and issue has been raised with them. Candy Street lights still with developer but pursuing prompt replacements when necessary.

Fellowes Gardens resident – street lights installed but not connected. Cllr Lee – more work is needed in general there. Will upgrade to automatic fault reporting and have ability to dim lighting if too bright.

Chris York - road safety and crossing in South Street; submitted a

petition a few years ago. Still an urgent problem so need something there. Also traffic light synchronisation on Coneygree Road needs realigning again so people can cross safely and timely. Cllr Walsh – South Street crossing was denied as too close to a bend. Traffic lights can change and should be able to have a crossing for both roads. Sometimes an hour to get into City Centre due to timings of lights on Town Bridge and on Fletton Avenue. Cllr Rush – problem with South area traffic as all Whittlesey traffic was coming through Stanground/Fletton as a new bridge being built on south bank so road access that way closed. Matt Snow - traffic dept hoping to have yellow boxes in the junctions as traffic blocking it when their lights have gone red. Is there a proposal to change traffic flow throughout city? Cllr Lee - major repairs to all bridges recently so difficult to assess traffic flows currently; monitored periodically to ensure network is coping. Bus Service in the area? Lisa Emmanuel - there is an address to contact Stagecoach directly and is on display boards at the back. Kevin Roddis - Community Action Plan, when? Lisa Emmanuel put on hold pending government budget changes. Now localism bill going through, awaiting details of the new proposals for Neighbourhood Plans from government. Hoping to use previous work to contribute to new plans when we know what the Chris York - localism bill same as requirements will be. sustainable communities act? Cllr Lee - new bill builds on the previous proposal so should strengthen it. Audrey Chalmers – London Road development application to go in January? What consultation will take place? Cllr Lee – is an application for the Carbon Challenge site but issues with car parking and pavements. Do want residents' comments for this and for Posh ground. On agenda for next time please both Carbon Challenge and Posh ground? Lisa Emmanuel - one of benefits of new Localism bill is more influence on planning consultations. Peter Slinger – could get architects to come to meeting. ACTION: Add the planning details for the Carbon Challenge site to next LE agenda. 9. Next Meeting The next Neighbourhood Council meeting for Fletton, Stanground and Woodston would be held on Thursday 3 March 2011 at Stanground College.