

Blakenall & Bloxwich Local Neighbourhood Partnership –5th February 2007

Community Action Group Update

Purpose of the Report

To provide an update on the progress of the Community Action Groups

Recommendations:

1. For LNP members to continue in attendance at the Community Action Group meetings.
2. For the LNP to note progress of Community Action Groups
3. For the LNP to note the resolution put forward by the Safer Stronger CAG group

Update

Health & People CAG - 10th January 2007

The health and people CAG received a presentation regarding the Blakenall phase one and phase two developments. A number of questions have been put forward to the regeneration officer who will be address these in written format at the next CAG meeting.

Following up from the health inequalities presentation the CAG members reviewed the current pledges and identified further health priorities that were pertinent to the area but were not adequately defined in the LNP pledges. The areas the CAG group identified were obesity, smoking cessation, infant mortality and teenage pregnancy. The CAG will look at what projects are taking place in the LNP area to address these issues and pursue ways of linking in with relevant projects.

Safer & Stronger CAG - 18th January 2007

A presentation was received regarding the Respect agenda by Michael Carrey, the coordinator of the Anti-social behaviour unit. North Walsall and Harden Road were identified as areas of concern, ASB diaries were to be circulated to the local residents to log the activity that was taking place in the area. This would help to further build a profile of the area to ensure positive action is undertaken. The CAG were informed that an additional six Police Community Support Officer were allocated to the Blakenall and Bloxwich LNP area, four would be focusing upon the Harden, Goscote and Leamore area and two for the New Deal area. The role of a PSCO was also shared with the group to identify what they their remit is.

The CAG group also decided to establish a working group which would focus upon communication issues in the LNP area. Volunteers for this group have been requested.

The CAG also requested the LNP note the following resolution regarding the Mossley estate

No decision or development to be made regarding the Mossley Site without a detailed consultation with the CAG Group.

Next CAG meetings

Between now and the next LNP meeting the following CAG's will take place:

Health & People CAG, 22nd February 2007 6pm – 8pm: Venue TBC

Safer & Stronger CAG, 5th March 2007 6pm – 8pm: Venue TBC

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