Willenhall Local Neighbourhood Partnership - 17th April 2007

Community Action Groups

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 CAG chairs to feedback on progress at the next LNP meeting

Update

15th March 2007: Safer and Stronger CAG

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Pledge ideas for 2007-2009 Members are requested to put forward pledge ideas for 2007-2009, which can then be prioritised by the LNP, with evidence based planning being key in the prioritisation exercise. Suggestions to be put forward to Parpinder Singh on singhparpinder@Walsall.gov.uk.

(Please see CAG action notes enclosed)

Future CAG'S

Health and People CAG – 25th April 2007: 6pm – 8pm at the Youth and Community Foundation, 19 Gomer Street, Willenhall, WV13 2NS.

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LNP: Willenhall

CAG: Safer and Stronger **Date**: 15/03/07

Pledge	Action	By Whom	Progress
Reduce Anti Social Behaviour in Willenhall	 Agenda item: update on previous actions Ian Shires is meeting director of youth services about facilities in Willenhall. Feedback From the meeting to be provided to the LNP on 17th April or the next safer and stronger CAG. 	Ian Shires	
	Agenda item: Neighbourhood Policing – CSIG update CCTV - More information is required on dome hawk CCTV deployment. Key questions. - Who would install? Could the fire service install cameras? - Revenue costs - Installation costs	Steve Gittins –	
	 Are dummy CCTV's available to deter ASB? Alley Gating – members requested an update on the attempted closure of three public footpaths i.e. Stroud Avenue Myrtle Close Calves Croft 	Steve Gittins – SWBP	
	A report on both CCTV and alley-gating issues was requested for the 17 th April 2007 LNP meeting. Report if not completed in time for 17 th April LNP to go to the next LNP meeting.	Steve Gittins - SWBP	
	Agenda item: Pledge Review Members are requested to put forward pledge ideas for 2007-2009, which can then be prioritised by the LNP, with evidence based planning being key in the prioritisation exercise. Suggestions to be put forward to Parpinder Singh on singhparpinder@Walsall.gov.uk .	All LNP members	

Accompanying Notes: Please note these are notes and not minutes for the CAG and are intended to give you a brief update.

Agenda item: previous actions

- **24th March youth conference** Rupy Pandal explained that some of the community forum members have joined the consultation planning meeting and reported that he event planning is going well and urged all to attend the conference on 24th March taking place at Pool Hayes Community Association, Castle Drive, Willenhall starting at 11am.
- Youth provision Parpinder explained its important for the LNP to wait for the outcome of the youth consultation before committing to any projects. It is envisaged the outcome of the youth consultation will be reported back to the 17th April LNP. Ian Shires is also due to meet with the director of youth services to discuss facilities in Willenhall.

Agenda item: Neighbourhood Policing

- Member's aired concerns around the future funding for PCSO's as after 4 years the police have indicated they can only fund half the cost.
- Neighbourhood Policing Sergeant Adamson provided an update on policing in the area which incorporated successes of CSIG. Sgt Adamson provided information on the ASB issue around SPAR on Witon Road West. Since the ceasing of selling alcohol after 12am incidents of ASB have dramatically reduced. Shutters have been installed and security staff have been employed by SPAR. The police have also increased patrols in the area. All these measures have had positive impact on the area which the residents of that particular locality supported and agreed with. The local doctor who has also suffered incidents of ASB has reported a peaceful month. SPAR has now offered to purchase bikes for the police force enabling bike police officers to patrol the area.
- **CSIG** Steve Gittins form SWBP provided feedback on the success of CSIG. Steve reported CSIG in Willenhall has been one of the most successful community safety partnership initiatives to have taken place. Steve provided an array of positive news paper cuttings pertaining to the success of Willenhall CSIG. Members asked questions around Alley gating and CCTV (refer to action points)

Agenda item: Pledge Review

• It was highlighted that when forming pledges for the future the LNP must focus upon evidence and statistics for the area which will enable the formation of a realistic set of pledges. Individual perceptions need to be avoided when forming pledges as they may not represent the needs of the wider LNP.

Due to the end of the municipal year future CAG's have not been scheduled. CAG's will be scheduled once the council diary has been ratified.