

A T A M E E T I N G
of the
WILLENHALL
LOCAL NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP
held at the Housing Office, The Square, New Invention, Willenhall,
on **Tuesday, 27 July 2004,**
at 6.00 p.m.

PRESENT

Councillor Bentley
Inspector Bedford
Councillor Cook
Councillor Coughlan
Ms. K. Parsons
Councillor Mrs. Pitt
Councillor Mrs. Shires
Councillor I. Shires
Councillor Underhill
Councillor Withnall
Councillor Woodruff

Police Sergeant L. Campian

The Partnership was informed that the meeting was inquorate.

AGREED

That the meeting take place and that Councillor I. Shires preside.

Councillor I Shires welcomed everyone to the Willenhall Local Neighbourhood Partnership.

APOLOGIES

Apologies for non-attendance at the meeting were submitted on behalf of Mr. D. Drewe and Mrs. V. Till.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

ARTICLE 10 OF WALSHALL METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL CONSTITUTION

An extract setting out Article 10 of the Council's Constitution was submitted:-

(see annexed)

Members requested that loose leaf binders be provided for the Partnership papers and requested that consideration be given to a less formal style of meeting.

SELECTION PROCESS: LOCALLY APPOINTED PARTNERS (LAPS)

The selection process for Locally Appointed Partners was submitted:-

(see annexed)

Members were advised that the process for the appointment of Locally Appointed Partners would be advertised and forms would be available in public buildings. Members requested that the information be sent to all the secondary schools within the Wards represented and that the response period be extended to enable nominations to be put forward by or on behalf of young people to serve as Locally Appointed Partners.

It was **AGREED**:-

- That a representative be sought from Walsall Housing Group;
- That two places be reserved for young people, via the secondary school nominations, and the closing date for nominations be extended to a date before the October meeting
- Consideration be given to reserving a place for a fire service representative;
- That a selection panel of one member per Ward and two Partners be considered appropriate.

LOCAL NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN AND CONSULTATION

The process for the Local Neighbourhood Plan and consultation was submitted:-

(see annexed)

Mr. Johnson indicated that the plan should reflect the local community and the needs of local people. The plan would influence budgets and strategies, etc. The draft plan could be sent out for consultation.

The Partnership **AGREED**:-

- That consideration be given to holding an “event” in each Ward in order to involve the public in developing the local plan;
- That consideration be given to providing a resource booklet for all LNPs on the variety of engagement and communication (good practice);
- That an informal session be arranged to organise the event/terms of reference consisting of one member per Ward and two partners;
- That the session and events be facilitated.

SUMMER CLEAN UP

The report on the Summer Clean Up was submitted:-

(see annexed)

Members expressed the view that young people should be involved in the clean up and talks could be given by Members to schools on the implications and costs involved in clearing litter.

Members considered linking the clean up with recycling to look at changing the habits of people and to whether any incentives from recycling companies for use within the community could result.

The Partnership **AGREED** as follows:-

- That there will be no one-off clean up;
- That a long-term view be taken on the Clean Up;

- That members consider going into schools to talk about the wider implications/costs of removing litter;
- That community arts be involved in the clean up projects;
- That the clean-up be followed by an event with the possibility of a reward at the end;
- That groups operating in the area be contacted and asked for their views.

TIME AND VENUE FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

The report on the time and venue for future meetings was submitted:-

(see annexed)

The Partnership **AGREED** that meetings commence at 7.00 p.m. and that the venue for the next meeting would be held within the Short Heath Ward at a venue to be advised.

TERMINATION OF MEETING

The meeting terminated at 8.45 p.m.

Chairman:

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Date

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