

**BROWNNHILLS AND ALDRIDGE NORTH LOCAL  
NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP**

**Wednesday 8 March 2006 at 6.00 p.m.**

**In the Conference Centre, Shire Oak School, Walsall Wood**

**Present**

Mr Keith Astin  
Mr Douglas Birch  
Councillor Barbara Cassidy  
Councillor Roger Collins  
Ms. Georgina Fereday  
Councillor Anthony Harris  
Mr Kevin Lowry  
Councillor Alan Paul  
Ms Jackie Plant  
Councillor Keith Sears  
Mrs Patricia Thomas  
Ms Lesley Woakes

**87/06 Apologies**

An apology for absence was submitted on behalf of Councillor Dave Turner.

**88/06 Minutes**

**Resolved**

That the minutes of the meeting held on 12 December 2005, be approved subject to the following amendment:-

That Councillor Harris be included within the list of those present at the meeting.

**89/06 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

## 90/06 **Petitions**

None Received.

## 91/06 **Partnership Plan and feedback from Task Group Meetings**

An update was provided on the progress made by task groups since the last meeting. Discussion took place on the pledges for 2006/2007 and it was suggested that an additional action to protect Brownhills Common from inappropriate developments be included.

### **Resolved**

- (1) That LNP Members continue in attendance at the workshop meetings;
- (2) That individual LNP Members encourage wider participation from community members within the task group;
- (3) That future dates of task group meetings be noted;
- (4) That the pledges for 2006/2007 be agreed and adopted with the inclusion of an additional action of protecting 'Brownhills Common from inappropriate developments'.
- (5) That the task group scheduled for 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2006 consider the pledge to Improve Public Health;
- (6) That the task group scheduled for 20<sup>th</sup> April, 2006 consider the pledge to Improve facilities for young people;
- (7) That Neighbourhood Policing be considered in the event that either of the pledges identified in (5) and (6) above cannot be provided;
- (8) That a report on Brownhills Common detailing planning consents and mineral rights be submitted to the next meeting.

## 92/06 **Funding Priorities for Action**

The Partnership received a report informing members of the progress of projects previously agreed.

### **Resolved:-**

- (i) To review progress at the next LNP meeting and;
- (ii) That a further report, providing a breakdown of costs of work undertaken to date and the projected cost of completing the remainder of the building, be submitted to the next meeting.

93/06 **Shannon Drive and High Street/Chester Road North Roundabout, Brownhills – Traffic Issues**

**Resolved:-**

That an Officer be invited to the next meeting to discuss further the issues contained within the report.

94/06 **Public Forum**

Questions were received concerning:-

- One Stop shops – Concern was expressed as to the future of ‘one stop shops’ now that the Fujitsu transfer had not been proceeded with. The Chair informed the Partnership that a report would be considered at the next meeting.
- Traffic issues – General comments regarding access to the new resource centre including access from the Parade side. Requested that a plan of the proposed traffic management scheme be submitted to the next meeting.
- It was questioned whether heavy goods vehicles could be diverted onto the A5 (using signage) to prevent them using the Lichfield Road.
- The impact of the Eastern By-pass on traffic in Brownhills.

The chairman reported that officers would be requested to provide responses to the next meeting.

95/06 **Termination of meeting**

The meeting terminated at 7.55 pm

Chairman:.....

Date:.....