

MINUTES OF THE BIG LOCAL PARTNERSHIP MEETING

Monday 7th March 2016
At St Simon & St Jude's Church

Present:	Tony Simmonds (Chair)	TS
	Anne Barrass	ABa
	Cath McCartan	CM
	Alan Bucknall	AB
	Diane Oxley	DO
	Tim Leach	TL
	Claire Mitchell	CMi
	Pam Mitchell	PM
	Steve Ruffle	SR
	Kay Mosley	KM
	Alister Shaw	AS
	Rebecca Jarvis	RJ
	Paul Fielding	PF
Apologies:	Rachel Cole	RC
	Cynthia Parr	CP

16.19	<p>Introductions/Apologies TS welcomed Paul Fielding from Keystone Yorkshire, the builders for the new Thurcroft Sports Hub.</p>
16.20	<p>Minutes of 1st February 2015 These were agreed.</p>
16.21	<p>Matters Arising There were no matters arising.</p>
16.22	<p>Pavilion Project CM updated everyone on progress. CISWO has approved the project and Local trust has confirmed the funding is available for the build. As a Design and Build project the exact budget is still not clear. As a charity, VAT will be zero rated on new builds. Cath was seeking a maximum commitment of £450,000 for the project build allowing for snags and other unforeseen circumstances. Members agreed this revised figure and were pleased with project progress and development.</p> <p>PF said he would be willing to come to meetings to give regular updates. A structural engineer has been appointed and the earliest they could be started on site is 4 weeks time. It will be a steel frame and could take 6 to 7 months to build. PF will be invited to give updates at future meetings.</p> <p>Different types of heating for the building including ground source pumps are being explored. Big Local would not be expected to pay for these additional costs. A number of users have already shown interest and Gareth Dennison at the Advertiser was very supportive.</p> <p>AB said a fantastic job had been done by the subcommittee. There was a round of applause and home made cakes were eaten.</p>

<p>16.23</p>	<p>Advice Services TS read out some statistics on the performance of one stop advice service. 32 people had been helped on the last three Tuesdays. The average age of client was 52. 46% were not working and 60% were women. Most support was around Carers forms and PIP.</p> <p>With the shop closing, SR proposed the service goes out to tender. Amendments to the draft tender included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Not putting a price on the service, asking the provider to name their price (ii) Provider to name specific times each week when they will be available to residents (at least 2 hours) <p>After a long discussion, it was agreed to go to tender. The panel will consist of AB, CM,SR, TS and AS</p>
<p>16.24</p>	<p>Tiny Explorers Claire introduced 3 different proposals to expansion of Tiny Explorers pre school. The measures are to provide a better environment for the children there. All three proposals would be for the long term use of Thurcroft residents. £20,000 has been allocated from big local funds to support this project. A subcommittee consisting of CM, KM and TL will work with Claire and Rebecca and find a mutually beneficial way forward. This subcommittee has delegated powers to make decisions within the budget.</p>
<p>16.25</p>	<p>Playground The majority agreed on plan B. The Council will prosecute people who cause damage. Big Local agreed to pay for CCTVs (£13000) and baby swings (£4000). Big Local's contribution will be recognised on the signage.</p>
<p>16.26</p>	<p>Carnival The Bottom Club has agreed to pay £1000 towards workshops. Big Local Partnership agreed to pay £2000 towards carnival. Thurcroft Gala will be on 30th July 2016 and Thurcroft Carnival will be on 31st July 2016. Rotherham carnival will be on 24th September 2016. The first workshop will be in the pavilion on 1st April 2016.</p>
<p>16.27</p>	<p>Events and other Updates Easter Event – This will take place on Monday 28 March 2016 from 12pm until 3pm in the Bottom Club. It will include an Easter bonnet and fancy dress competition. Queen's 90th Birthday – A tea dance will be held on Thursday 21 April 2016 from 4pm until 8pm at the Bottom Club. Litter Picks- There was a litter pick on 27th February 2016. 38 bags of litter were collected. 9 young people and 4 adults. A skip day has been organised for 10am on Saturday 12th March 2016 on the Crescent. Small Grants- not many applications have yet come in.</p>
	<p>Any Other Business SR reported the final commissioning training session will be at 6pm on Monday 14th March 2016 at St.Simon and St Judes Church.</p>

2.8	Date and Time of Next Meeting Monday 4 th April 2016 at 6.30pm at St Simon and St Jude's Church.
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