## MINUTES OF THE BIG LOCAL PARTNERSHIP MEETING

# Wednesday 5 April 2017 At St Simon & St Jude's Church

Present:	Tony Simmonds (Chair)	TS
	Anne Barrass	AB
	Cath McCartan	CM
	Tim Leach	TL
	Lee Wright	LW
	Diane Oxley	DO
	Kay Mosley	KM
	Shaz Biggin	SB
	Andrea Peers	AP
	Phil Dale	PD
	Kim Hindle	KHi
	Keith Hanson	KH
	Amy Cawthorne	AC
	Alister Shaw	AS
	Rachel Cole	RC
	Steve Ruffle	SR

Apologies:Terry BeaverTBPam MitchellPM

2.1	Introductions/Apologies	
	TS welcomed everyone to the first meeting in the new Hub.	
2.3	Minutes of the last Meeting	
	These were agreed.	
2.4	Matters Arising The Hub Official Opening – SR said that he thought the official opening was a fantastic event with a great turnout. DO advised that the Saturday was also a really good day with lots of people attending and very positive feedback. AS advised that the Hub has received good publicity and is on the front page of the Big Local national newsletter. AS thanked everyone involved for their hard work.	
2.5	Thurcroft Hub It was agreed that RC would help with the initial setting up of the Hub. This will include putting policies and procedures in place, getting systems up and running, recruiting volunteers etc. A job description for this role will be required. It was agreed to apply to the Big Local for an additional £3,500 for RC.	
2.6	Events Easter – DO advised that Big Local hasn't organised anything for Easter this year as no one came forward with any ideas and offered to help. However, the church have a Easter event planned for Good Friday from	

10am – 12pm with 63 children so far attending and a BBQ on Saturday 15 April from 3pm - 6pm, DO suggested Big Local go along and support these events.

**Summer Activities** – SB will be organising some activity days during the holidays and Active Rotherham will be holding a week full of sports at the Hub week commencing 31 July 2017.

**Pensioners Summer Trip** – A Summer trip for the pensioners will again be organised for this year.

## 2.7 Projects

**Apprenticeships** – It was agreed that this project will be looked into in more detail.

**Gardening Project** – This was a project that Claire Mitchell was going to run, however, it hasn't started yet. SB said she would speak to the young people to see if it is something they are interested in. SB will then meet with the allotment society to see when things can move forward. The Scouts will be approached to see if it is possible to use their toilets and washing facilities.

**Community Arts** – AP advised that there is some money available from the Section 106 monies to do a community arts project in Thurcroft. She will be setting up a sub group shorty to move things forward.

### 2.8 Subcommittees

**CCTV** – An update was given on the camera. They are currently looking at the range of the camera and what areas it covers. Signage is to be sorted asap. A discussion took place regarding the litter in this area, cars dropping litter and children throwing it in the playground. SB advised that some young people do pick up the litter but there is no bin inside the playground. Big Local paid for two new bins for the playground but these were placed outside at the request of the Parish Council. KH said he would speak to Geb Nightingale regarding a new bin for inside the playground.

**Funding** – SR spoke about a possible new project which will involve offering a service to people in Thurcroft which will include help to fill in forms etc. Funding will be sourced through Banks, £3,000, but Big Local will have to contribute 10%. This was agreed.

**Grants** – The small grants subcommittee met prior to this meeting to discuss this round of grants. The successful grants will be notified by email later this week. A new round of grants will start on Monday 1 May 2017.

### 2.9 Meeting Times

Today's meeting was held on a different day to see if anyone new attended. As no one did, it was agreed to change the meeting time back to Mondays at 6.30pm.

#### 2.10 Date and Time of Next Meeting

Monday 8 May 2017 at 6.30pm at Thurcroft Hub.

#### 2.11 Any Other Business

**Pit Site** – TL advised that the pit top was something that he and Alan Bucknall were interested in seeing it developed. TL advised that if it is okay with everyone he is going to contact a few people to find out what is

happening with it.

**Sunday Football** – It was agreed to serve tea, coffee and bacon sandwiches at the football on Sunday mornings.

**Youth Group** – SB advised that 6 young people will be attending the training workshops on the 8 July 2017.

**Alan Bucknall** – In memory of Alan, DO suggested have a bench with Alan's name on in which can go outside the Hub on the patio area. This was agreed and Big Local will fund this.

**Northern College** – SR asked if anyone would be interested in attending some Volunteer Management training. Everyone agreed that if the training could take place in Thurcroft they would be interested. SR will speak to Northern College.

**Big Local Reps Meeting** – AS gave an update from the meeting with the New Chief Executive for Big Local.

**Big Local Spring Events** – AS gave an update on the Spring Events. CM and AB agreed to attend the event in May which will be held in Sheffield.

**Thurcroft Hub** – CM gave an update on what's happening at the Hub including a soccer school, Active for over 50's (a gentle exercise class), Splash (activity for children 6 months to 4 years). The sports hall floor has now been marked out so is ready for hiring out for sports. The outside of the Hub will be complete by the end of next week.

**Litter Pick/Skip** – 8 adults and 7 children collected 33 bags of rubbish at the litter pick on Saturday 25 March. The next litter pick will be on Saturday 29 April at 10am. The next skip is booked for Saturday 13 May at 10am on Cedric Crescent.