

MINUTES OF THE BIG LOCAL PARTNERSHIP MEETING

Monday 7 November 2016
At St Simon & St Jude's Church

Present: Tony Simmonds (Chair) TS
Anne Barrass ABa
Cath McCartan CM
Kay Mosley KM
Diane Oxley DO
Lee Wright LW
Cynthia Parr CP
Rev Keith Hanson KH
Amy Brookes (Councillor) AB
Rachel Cole RC
Steve Ruffle SR

Apologies: Tim Leach TL
Pam Mitchell PM
Phil Dale PD

2.1	Introductions/Apologies TS welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2.2	Big Local Chair/Membership It was agreed that TS will continue with the position of Big Local Chair. KH said he would be interesting in becoming Vice Chair in the future. A review of partnership members will take place at January's meeting.
2.3	Minutes of the last Meeting These were agreed. Football Teams – AB asked about Dean Nightingale and the football teams he would like to set up in the village. AB advised that she would like to support Dean with this.
2.4	Year 3 SR advised that from the £1 million, £384,000 has been spent, £722,000 is committed to be spent and we have £277,000 left. SR asked the partnership if they wanted to continue for 10 years and take some things out to reduce the cost or do they want to look at doing it over 5 years and keeping things as they are. The partnership agreed that they wanted to keep the project running over 10 years. Estimated spend for Year 3 is £139,000. TS suggested reducing this to £83,026 This was agreed. SR to change the budget and send the new one out.

	<p>AB asked if a mid-evaluation takes place to see what is working well and what is really needed. It was agreed to review the budget half way through next year.</p> <p>Skips – ABa advised that £1000 has been received from the Parish Council towards skips. ABa advised that we will continue to provide four community skips a year.</p>
2.5	<p>Events</p> <p>Halloween Event – This event went really well with over 120 children attending.</p> <p>Playground – Unfortunately the new playground didn't open on time due to health and safety issues. It is hoped that it will be open in the very near future. AB said she would look into this problem. The old CCTV camera has been returned and the new one will be erected shortly.</p> <p>Christmas Event - This will be held on Friday 2 December 2016 in partnership with St Simon and St Jude's Church, Thurcroft Parish Council, Thurcroft Big Local and the bottom club. There will be stalls in the Gordon Bennett from 2pm, fairground rides from 3pm and the lights will be switched on at 5.30pm, by Thurcroft Brass Band and Jack Pitchford as his prize for winning best pumpkin at the Halloween Event. A magic show will follow at 6.30pm in the bottom club.</p> <p>Newsletter – The Autumn newsletter has now gone to print. Any help delivering the newsletters would be much appreciated.</p>
2.6	<p>Small Grants</p> <p>The sub group met earlier today and four Small Grants totalling £780 were approved. These are as follows:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thurcroft Bowling Club - £180 • 2nd Rotherham Thurcroft Scout Group - £200 • Thurcroft Toddler Group - £200 • Thurcroft Friday Circle - £200 <p>Funding for a further two Thurcroft groups was approved pending confirmation of their bank account details. It was also agreed, in principle, to sponsor a local football team for £1,000 as discussed at last month's meeting.</p>
2.7	<p>Working Group</p> <p>It was agreed to set up a sub group to look at increasing the number of volunteers and to look at different ways of getting other people involved. It was agreed that CM, CP, KH would be on the sub group and SR and RC would support this. It was suggested having an information sheet about the role of a volunteer.</p>
2.8	<p>Date and Time of Next Meeting</p> <p>Monday 5 December 2016 at 6.30pm at St Simon and St Jude's Church.</p>

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Any Other Business

Volunteer Hours – TS advised that it is really important that everyone send him their volunteer hours each month. This evidence also goes towards securing extra grants/funding too.

Community Skip – It was agreed to have the next skip in January and not in December as previously discussed.

Church - KH advised that if anyone needs an extra pair of hands, he's more than happy to help and it will also be a good way to meet people. CM advised that if in future the Church wanted to book the fairground rides, burger van etc. for events i.e. Christmas, the Church could raise some funds for themselves. KM to speak to the Church committee.