

MINUTES OF THE BIG LOCAL PARTNERSHIP MEETING

Monday 6 November 2017
At Thurcroft Hub

Present:	Tony Simmonds (Chair)	TS
	Anne Barrass	AB
	Lee Wright	LW
	Diane Oxley	DO
	Tim Leach	TL
	Kay Mosley	KM
	Cath Walker	CW
	Alister Shaw	AS
	Rachel Cole	RC
	Steve Ruffle	SR
	Andrea Pears	AP
	Amy Cawthorn	AC
Apologies:	Phil Dale	PD
	Shaz Biggin	SB
	Maddy Owen	MO
	Danny Gillings	DG
	Kim Hindle	KH

2.1	Introductions/Apologies TS welcomed everyone to the meeting and people introduced themselves.
2.2	Minutes of the last Meeting These were agreed.
2.3	Matters Arising Legacy Event – DO and RC gave an update on the Legacy Event they attended in London. They both agreed that the event seemed to focus more on what the areas have achieved rather than the legacy. Bowling Club – The presentation night is this Friday 10 November at 7pm at the Bottom Club. A few members of the partnership agreed to attend.
2.4	New Partnership Members Cath Walker – CW has attended the last three meetings and is now eligible to join the partnership. CW submitted her application and her membership was agreed.
2.5	Review Working Group Prize Draw – The working group met on Friday 13 October to discuss the Free Prize Draw and what should be included in it i.e. what we have achieved so far, what people would like to see next etc. It was agreed to put this survey online, in the next newsletter and to give out at local events. The prize will be a £100 Meadowhall Gift Card and the closing date is 31 January 2018. Thurcroft Plan Update – The plan review meeting will be held on Monday 5 February. The draft plan will be ready mid-February to submit the end of February. The turnaround period is 4 weeks.

2.6	<p>Annual Review</p> <p>Membership – AS went through the questions required for the membership review. He will include a piece on the partnership in the online survey. A discussion then took place regarding the structure and whether or not it should be kept at just residents. It was agreed that the structure would change to 75% residents and 25% non-residents, thus allowing people from other areas to join the partnership.</p> <p>Partnership Member – Following on from this discussion, it was agreed to vote Amy Cawthorn onto the Partnership.</p>
2.7	<p>Chair’s Update</p> <p>Help and Information Service – This started last Wednesday, 1 November. TS advised that the local RMBC Housing Officer and PCSO will be at the sessions twice a month. The local Councillor will also be attending these sessions.</p> <p>CCTV – The camera overlooking the playground is now running really well and there is an agreement in place with the company who supplied it, to provide us with any evidence required. This agreement is in place until April 2019.</p> <p>Parish Council – TS gave an update on the recent Parish Council meetings he has attended. TS advised that these meetings can be very awkward as the discussions are very negative towards Big Local.</p> <p>Boundary Changes – TS advised of the new boundary changes which will affect Thurcroft. AP advised that the elected members have now gone from 61 to 58 and from 21 to 25 wards.</p> <p>Fireworks/Bonfire – The community would like to see Big Local do something for Bonfire night. Maybe an idea to pursue next year.</p>
2.8	<p>Thurcroft Hub</p> <p>Luncheon Club – The Luncheon Club has been running for a few months now and is proving to be very successful, with between 35 and 40 people attending every week. The feedback has been very positive. As the funding from Coalfields Regeneration is coming to an end, the Luncheon Club would like approximately £3500 from Big Local to keep it running until the end of March. This was discussed and it was agreed that moving forward the Luncheon Club needs to be sustainable and self-funding. It was agreed to give them £3000, in two instalments of £1500. It was agreed that they need to look at sustainability i.e. getting the food cheaper, asking the people who attend if they are willing to pay more and continuing to get speakers.</p>
2.9	<p>Events</p> <p>Christmas Lanterns Workshops/Light Switch On - The workshops took place on Monday 30 October and Friday 3 November from 10am until 2pm at the Hub. The lanterns made will be used in the Christmas Parade on Friday 1 December, after the light switch on. There will be Christmas crafts at the Hub following the parade.</p>

2.10	<p>Date and Time of Next Meeting Monday 4 December 2017 at 6.30pm at Thurcroft Hub.</p>
2.11	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>Luncheon Club – £115.05 has been received from the family of a lady who attended the Luncheon Club. They have asked that Big Local purchase a floral arrangement in her memory.</p> <p>Litter Picks – The last litter pick of 2017 was held on Saturday 28 October, 12 people attended including 5 children. Only eight bags of litter were collected as there was a lot less litter around. The next litter pick will be on Saturday 28 January 2018 at 10am, meeting at Gordon Bennett.</p> <p>Skip – The next skip will be on Saturday 11 November at 10am at Crescent End.</p> <p>Allotment – DO asked if there is any money available for a sign to go on the allotment fencing, the sign will probably cost around £250. This was agreed.</p> <p>Youth Club – SB would like to know if there is any money available to take the children to a panto. AP suggested asking the elected members for some leadership fund. Any teddies or bric-a-brac for the youth club tombola stall Christmas Fair would be much appreciated.</p> <p>Rotherham African Drummers – AC agreed to attend the Christmas Light Switch On with the drummers. RC to confirm this by email.</p> <p>Community Arts Project – AP advised that this has gone out for tender, the closing date is the end of November. AP will keep everyone updated on this.</p> <p>Bringing Economy into Big Local Event – AS gave details of an event in Manchester on Wednesday 29 November.</p>