

Friends of New Forest Village
General Meeting
Wednesday, 19th February 2014
St. Georges Centre

Present: Lynn Brook (LB) – Chair Cllr Judith Blake
Siobhan Merrion (SLM) - Secretary Vicky Nunn – Parks, LCC
John Casey – Parks, LCC Cllr Kim Groves
Di Winder – Neighbourhood Watch Police x 2
Tom Smith – Env. Services, LCC 9 Residents

Item	Topic	Owner	Action
1	Welcome & Apologies		
1.1	Apologies received from: Cllr Paul Truswell, Cllr Jack Dunn, Ian Thomson (Taylor Wimpey), Steve Corcorran (Barratt), Hazel Smith (HS - PACT Treasurer)		
2	Minutes of the Last Meeting (7th January 2014) and Matters Arising		
2.1	The minutes were agreed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.		
2.2	Additional matters arising that were not on the main agenda: BT Engineer parking on St George's Road; roaming dogs; Community Led Local Development (CLLD)		
3	<u>Policing</u>		
3.1	Crime figures since last meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 criminal damage 1 theft 3 domestic incidents 1 burglary of dwelling 		FIO
3.2	Criminal damage to cars on Blenkinsop Way: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This was a domestic incident 		FIO
3.3	Traffic/speeding/mopeds/motorbikes:		
3.3.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 x males given Section 59s for anti-social behaviour on off-road bikes 		
3.3.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Police have been monitoring speeding within NFV and of the cars samples, they were travelling between 10-15mph. Residents stated this was probably because they saw them and wasn't an accurate reflection of the true speed being experienced by residents 	Police	UNM
3.3.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Request for wires to be placed on St George's Road (as it is now adopted) to monitor the speed of traffic 	LCC	UNM
3.3.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Raised concerns mopeds still causing 'issues' on Willowdale - Police to continue investigating 	Police	UNM

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	<u>Policing (cont)</u>		
3.3.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Willowdale: Plans have been found which show traffic calming and bollards within Willowdale area of NFV. Although a Barratt's representative re-iterated at the last meeting, there has never been any plans for bollards/speed deterrent in that section of NFV, this is to be challenged. If residents are concerned with speeding/antisocial behaviour, to report directly via the 101 number. Once the roads are adopted by LCC, complaints can be made directly to LCC Highways to review layout/traffic calming measures. Highways to walk through area 	SLM/ LCC	UNM
3.3.6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yellow lines to be reinstated around NFV by LCC through a Traffic Regulation Order. LCC to conduct a 'walk-around' to determine where yellow lines need to go. 	LCC	UNM
4	Lighting		
4.1	There was a general discussion regarding unlit lamp posts. If the light has never been lit, it is the responsibility of the Developer. If it has been lit and is faulty, it should be reported by residents to LCC. 0113 222 4406, quoting the number on the lamp post.		FIO
4.2	Site visit of NFV was conducted by Cllr Kim Groves and Lynn Brook (NFV Chair) noting several lamp posts without identification, some areas in need of more lighting, lighting 'missing'. Mark Atkinson, Senior Officer, LCC to liaise with developers to resolve. A new process has been implemented whereby LCC will not sign-off as 'fit for purpose' where additional work by the developers is clearly required.	LCC	UNM
5	<u>Transport</u>		
5.1	Residents raised their concerns in relation to the lack of regularity and inappropriate bus routes on Sharp Lane, Newhall Road, White Rose and John Charles Centre etc. Two consultation session conducted with local residents and First Bus/Metro Bus. LCC stated they are 'moving closer' to a resolution.	Cllrs	UNM
5.2	First Bus are planning to provide an Asda Hopper within the Middleton and Belle Isle area. 2 routes are planned and will be a 'figure of 8' route. More details to follow.	Cllrs	UNM

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6	<u>ASDA & Middleton Centre update</u>		
6.1	1020 people attended support sessions with 70% from the Middleton area. Assessment centres for successful candidates now taking place at St George's Centre. A database will be created to connect these individuals with other job opportunities within the area if they are unsuccessful with their Asda application.		FIO
6.2	As part of the planning process, Asda have contributed to Middleton Centre and a new car park is proposed. Comments were made about the danger pedestrians are currently facing accessing Middleton Centre. LCC Town Planning have been speaking to the Landlord and their new agent.	Cllrs	UNM
6.3	Tesco are planning to demolish Benyon House. An In Principle Planning Application has been put forward for a Restaurant, Restaurant/Pub, 2 x non-retail units. This plan is reliant on a purchaser once Planning Permission has been granted by LCC.		FIO
7	<u>Horses' field</u>		
7.1	LCC have noticed an increase in fly-tipping in this area and damage to the field from the horses. LCC working to locate the owner(s) of the horses and have them enforceably removed. Consultation with the local community to discuss use of area. Site visit planned by Cllr Kim Groves and Vicky Nunn, Parks & Countryside, LCC.	Cllr/ LCC	UNM
8	<u>Environmental</u>		
8.1	No schedule of litter picking is currently in operation in or around NFV. A new delivery model by LCC is being implemented beginning May 2014 whereby LCC environmental teams will work within 'zones' for improved efficiency. St George's Road to be included in the Middleton 'zone'.		
8.2	Mechanical cleanliness (road sweeper) scheduled every 6-8 weeks.		
8.3	Fly-tipping: Reports of fly-tipping on Sharp Road have been reported to LCC. The land is owned by two different individuals which is causing some difficulty, however, an investigation is currently underway by LCC. Anyone seeing fly-tipping or vehicles in this area to report to: sseaction@leeds.gov.uk or 101 (who will pass on to Environmental Services, LCC) with as much information as possible e.g. registration number of vehicles.	LCC	UNM
8.4	Roaming dogs: It has been noted that several dogs are 'roaming' NFV i.e. without an owner. Please report these incidents to either 101 or Environmental Services, LCC, as it is an offence for a dog to be on/or near a road unsupervised.		FIO

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9	<u>Parks & Countryside</u>		
9.1	<u>Plantation</u> : Replacement bins have been sited on the Plantation. Burnt out bins yet to be removed.	LCC	UNM
9.2	<u>Plantation</u> : Meeting to be arranged with John Casey (Parks, LCC) and Simon Milner (NFV resident) where 2 x further bins to be located within the Plantation.	LCC/ resident	UNM
9.3	<u>Central Park</u> : Top section of path removed without permission. Vicky Nunn, LCC, to have a site visit to inspect situation, review damaged fencing, 'A' frame access and other H&S issues.	LCC	UNM
9.4	<u>Central Park</u> : Signs to be erected about dog fouling. LCC and dog warden have been 'undercover' in relation to the complaints about dog fouling in and around Central Park and the Plantation. As always, if dog fouling is seen, for this to be reported to the Dog Warden and they will follow up on any/all complaints.	LCC	UNM
10	<u>Fibre</u>		
10.1	NFV resident, Carl Thomas, is working with LCC to ensure NFV residents continue to be 'at the top of the list' in relation to fibre access. Currently, NFV has been placed in a 'queue' for cabinet 91 activation between April-August 2015 – this is not what had been agreed with BT. LCC to speak to officers and BT to ensure an earlier date is provided.	Cllr	UNM
11	<u>Emergency Service – Yorkshire Ambulance Service - access</u>		FIO
11.1	Incidents have occurred where YAS have been unable to find properties on NFV. Two residents have been working with YAS to provide updated postcode for NFV to this emergency service. These postcodes have now been checked and were on the system. It appears as if a Sat Nav update is required and they are now working on this. Please remember to ensure your house number is well lit and access can be gained to the property with considerate, neighbourhood parking.		
12	<u>Funding applications</u>		
12.1	The FoNFV Committee are meeting Wednesday, 26 th February to discuss further funding applications	HS	UNM
11	<u>Additional signage</u>		
11.1	A 'Murray Avenue' sign is needed for the railings on Central Park.	SLM	UNM

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12	Friends of New Forest Village (FoNFV) logo		
12.1	A competition will be held for the design of a new logo for FoNFV. All entries will be collected and the top 3 will be chosen by the Committee. A poll will be held via the NFV Facebook page and the winner announced shortly after. Elaine Upton, NFV resident, has kindly offered to run this activity. More details to follow.	EU	UNM
13	FoNFV Events		
13.1	Easter: Good Friday, 18 th April. Any residents who would like to be involved, contact FoNFV expressing their interest.	LB	UNM
13.2	Family Fun Day: Sunday, 13 th July 2014 (12-4pm), Leeds Corinthian Rugby ground, Middleton First meeting to be held at 7.30pm on Friday, 7 th March. Anyone interested in helping organise to get in touch with Siobhan Merrion via NFV Facebook page or FoNFV Facebook page.	SLM	UNM
14	<u>A.O.B.</u>		
14.1	Community Led Local Development (CLLD): An email was received stating the following: An invitation to an event on Thursday 13 th March 2014 from 1.00 pm to 3.00 pm at Tenants Hall Enterprise Centre, the purpose of which is to attract financial support through the forthcoming European funds programme to Inner South Leeds (City & Hunslet, Beeston, Holbeck and Middleton Park) – information attached. We are hoping to develop an outline proposal for Community Led Local Development (CLLD) in Leeds. We are now approaching a stage where the outline proposal will need to be expanded into a formal expression of interest to the Government over the next few months; and beyond that to the formation of a detailed CLLD strategy for the area. The objectives of the briefing session are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To inform local people, organisations and businesses about CLLD • To begin to explore what outcomes might be delivered that meet local needs • To identify and involve people from all three sectors (Third, Public and Private) who are willing to work on the development of the strategy for this area 	Anyone/ Cllrs	
15	The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 10th April 2014 at 6.30pm in the upstairs meeting room at St. Georges Centre.		

Key

UNM = Update at Next Meeting

FIO = For Information Only