

**Queensway Partnership Meeting  
Tuesday 13th July 2010  
Resource Centre Brooke Mews**

**Attendance:** Maria Thomas (BCW) Chris Hill (NCC), Selina Bhambra (Whomes), Mark Usher (Police), Cllr David Deane (BCW/NCC), Susan Galloway (ABC)

**Apologies:** Lee Percival (Hardwick School), Jackie (Women's Aid), Cllr Lora Lawman (BCW), Marie Rose (Fire and Rescue Service), Cllr Tim Allebone (BCW), Rev. Mandy Cuthbertson, Sam Ward (NCC), Toni Gerrard (Places For People), Sgt Steve Chatburn (Police).

**Matters arising:** Minutes agreed.

**Places For People:** Starter tenancies are now being used for all new Places For People residents throughout Wellingborough. It is hoped that this will reduce the amount of ASB that they are dealing with.

The newsletter will be going out at the end of July and will be promoting the courses being run by Tresham at the Resource Centre and some other articles that partners have submitted.

The estate walkabout took place on 4<sup>th</sup> May but no residents attended. The next one is scheduled for 21<sup>st</sup> September at 10.00am from the local office.

**Safer Community Team:**

**Priority motorcycle nuisance on Shelley Road** – This has died down over recent weeks. There have been 13 calls in the last 6 weeks, 5 section 59 warnings have been given and one bike has been seized.

There have been 55 reported incidents of antisocial behaviour but on examination around 30 of those were considered to be misrecorded by control operatives.

**Action: Martin** to feed this back as a concern as these figures will be used on the database and will highlight nationally the hotspots of concern and could misrepresent Wellingborough.

Although it has been a fairly quiet month there are still reported issues of ASB on Kiln and Minerva and a few further incidents on the bridge.

There have been 33 recorded crimes, 4 drug warrants and 78 stop and searches.

**Next Community Panel Date 12<sup>th</sup> August 2010 Glamis Hall, Goldsmith Road 7pm – 9pm**

**Alliance For Black Children:** They will be hosting with Synergy Forum a day of African Cultural Celebrations at WACA on 6<sup>th</sup> August 2010 10.am – 4pm. This will be a day to celebrate African food, clothing, dancing and music. Flyers were handed out.

10 Children from ABC took part in Wellingborough carnival for the first time and won second place in the walking group category.

They have successfully completed 3 days of fishing activities with Weavers School as part of their week of excellence. 13 young people took part, they were really enthusiastic and participated fully. Three retired members of Wellingborough and District Angling Club supported the club on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day. The young people learnt about the importance of ground rules, good/bad angler, risk assessment, health and safety, fish welfare, fishing etiquette, playing and landing fish. The school has booked the club again next year. One young person has expressed an interest in coaching others and ABC are currently seeking funding of £212.75 to enable him to do his level one.

**Action: Chris** to meet with Susan to discuss funding for coaching training possibly through Cllrs Empowerment Fund.

The ABC holiday club is starting on 26<sup>th</sup> July for four weeks, 3 weeks at Oakway School and one week at ABC.

**Wellingborough Homes:** They are looking at refurbishment of the flats on Shelley Road and Leaway similar to that done at Bell Court.

**Action: Selina** to email the plans to Maria for distribution to Councillors

Diana and Sylvanus are still under discussion.

Their walkabout on Wordsworth was attended by 14 residents. The main problems were about the appearance and neglect of grass areas and pruning of shrubs. Young people playing football around the housing was perceived to be a problem and residents suggested a multi court on Shelley Park. Garage improvements are ongoing on Wordsworth.

**Action: Selina** to email details of the walkabout to Chris to send on to partners

They have their Family Fun Day on September 18<sup>th</sup> at Thomson Court again this year.

They are starting a school gardening project with Ruskin School in September which will be funded by Rock.

**Antisocial Behaviour Workshops:** The Home Office identified a small pot of funding to tackle ASB in Wellingborough. Kiln, Minerva, and Olympic Way were identified as the hotspots for this targeted work. The workshop took place on 10<sup>th</sup> June and 8 community members joined Officers to identify the problems in these areas and discuss possible solutions. A second meeting is being convened with the aim of developing an action plan to tackle the issues. A sum of £10k has been given by the Home Office to facilitate this. It is likely that the action plan will pick up and address some of the concerns mentioned in the SCT feedback ie concerns over the bridge and the damaged wall at Olympic Way.

**Youth Service:** A leaflet detailing County Council funding for youth projects was given to partners and can be found on the County Council website.

### **Neighbourhood Renewal:**

Eagle pub: Maria has been liaising with Robert Vaughan at BCW and making him aware of partners concerns. As part of looking at the planning the pub is now being made safe by boarding up and the security fence removed to improve the overall appearance.

Resource Centre: There have been further successful IT courses and Tresham have booked a series of sessions for September for basic English and Maths. We are also exploring further possible projects with young people.

Teenage play area: The consultation has been completed by Liz Flores and the equipment agreed. This is now out to tender.