

ROYSTON WARD ALLIANCE

Notes

Monday, 8th September 2014
6.30pm the Grove, Royston

Present: Cllr Tracey Cheetham, Cllr Tim Cheetham, Cllr Caroline Makinson, Fred Harston, Stephen Croft, Mick Birkinshaw, Howard Lavender, Martyn Guilcher, and John Openshaw.

In Attendance: David Gill Local Support Officer.

It was agreed that Cllr Tim Cheetham would chair the meeting with Cllr Tracey Cheetham leaving early to attend another meeting.

1. Apologies for Absence, Rev Dr Matt Bullimore, Jason Farrar, (Groundwork Dearne Valley) and Graham Kyte.

2. Declarations of Interest

None declared.

3. Correspondence & Communications,

Volunteer Celebrations, the secretary reported on the event to celebrate the tremendous efforts made by volunteers within our communities over the summer as part of the Love Where You Live campaign, Barnsley Council and Voluntary Action Barnsley are hosting a special event on **Thursday 25th September 4pm-6.45 at The Core, County Way Barnsley.**

The evening will be opened by the Leader of the Council, Councillor Sir Steve Houghton.

A light buffet will be provided as part of the event, would members confirm their attendance by contacting Carolyn Ellis at Voluntary Action Barnsley on 01226 302107 or email Carolyn.Ellis@vabarnsley.org.uk by Tuesday 23rd September.

4. Notes of the previous meeting

Members agreed that the note of the meeting held on the 28th July 2014 were a true and accurate record.

5. Matters Arising

Band Stand, there was a request to make the Band Stand vandal proof.

Albert Shepherd VC centre opening, there will be an invitation to members of Mr Shepherd's family and his regiment. A date has yet to be set.

6. Update from Royston Scrutiny Steering Group

Notes of the Steering Group meeting held on the 19th August 2014 were distributed with Cllr Makinson giving a brief update on issues discussed.

Monitoring Feedback, the steering group would ask for information from the smoking and Cook & Eat sessions held at the Children's centre.

Planters and Barrels, an audit of the planters and barrels has been undertaken, with the condition report distributed. Discussions on the future of the Planters, Barrels and Flower beds took place it was agreed that the steering group would investigate the condition of them and gauge the interest of residents and businesses to maintain or adopt them with the Ward Alliance supplying the plants.

Neighbourhood Network, the steering group would send welcome letters to groups joining the Network.

7. Food Growing Project/Allotments

It was agreed to include this on the agenda for the meeting in October.

8. Health Fayre

Cllr Makinson gave an update on the event, which was well attended with positive reports from the many organisations attending.

9. Ward Alliance Funding Applications

Funding Feedback Cllr Makinson read out a letter from the Royston Canal Club giving thanks for the Ward Alliance Grant and listing the benefits the allocation gave to the club and the canal and the local environment. The Club also gave a special thanks to Cllr Makinson, Bill Newman and Graham Kyte for their support for the Club and the project.

Cllr Makinson also gave a report on the Young Peoples fishing competitions held on the Canal throughout the summer.

Royston & Carlton local History Group

The Group present the history archive and photo collection to the public at a wide range of community events; they have requested support to replace aging equipment. Members agreed to allocate £239.00 to the group to replace projector.

10. Neighbourhood Pride, Royston Work Schedule

The Local Support Officer Area distributed a draft programme of works undertaken by Neighbourhood Pride. Following discussions it was agreed that a meeting between Ward Councillors and officers of Neighbourhood Pride would be arranged to discuss details.

11. Royston Park,

Hedge, Borders and Grass Cutting concerns were raised at their condition and the maintenance programme. It was agreed to undertake a review.

Pavilion the Guides are now using the facilities and would be arranging a meeting with other users of the pavilion.

Car Parking It was reported that when events are held in the park and at the Salvation Army the current parking arrangements are inadequate. Additional parking provision is required. It was agreed to seek costs of installing additional parking next to the Midland Road car park.

12. Ward Alliance Members Actions

Band Stand, Seek costs to vandal proof.

Albert Shepherd VC Centre, Agreed date for opening and distribution of invitations.

Royston Work Schedule, Arrange meeting between Councillors and officers.

Hedge, Borders and Grass Cutting, Review condition, and proposals.

Car Parking, Seek costs of installing additional parking.

13. Any Other Business

None

14. Decisions Agreed.

Royston & Carlton local History Group, Award grant of £239.00.

Band Stand, Seek costs to vandal proof.

Albert Shepherd VC Centre, Agreed date for opening and distribution of invitations.

Royston Work Schedule, Arrange meeting between Councillors and officers.

Hedge, Borders and Grass Cutting, Review condition, and put forward proposals.

Car Parking, Seek the cost of installing additional parking.

15. Date & Time of Next Meeting

Monday the 27th October 2014 at the Grove, Station Road, Royston.

The Chair closed the meeting at 8:00pm