

Wombwell Community Alliance
Wombwell Netherwood School
18.00 23rd September 2013

Present:

Alliance Members:

Cllr Margaret Morgan	Chair Person
Alan Taylor	Secretary
Cllr Dick Wraith	
Brian Whitaker	
Nick Weston	
Rev Nigel Elliott	
Paul Dawson Bernslai Homes	
Tony Dutton	
Kate Faulkes	BMBC
Jordan Ramsey	Netherwood School Council
Connor Barrett	Netherwood School Council

Apologies:

Richard Ulliyott: Paul Tingle:

Observers - Paul Nizinskyj Barnsley Chronicle

1 Chair Persons Introduction

Margaret welcomed Connor Barrett from the Netherwood School Council. Connor will replace Rebecca Wilson. Margaret also welcomed Rachael Blake and David Orr-Ewing from the HS2 project.

2 HS2 Project

Rachael explained that she wanted to give an outline of the project with three aims:

1. For the Community Alliance to understand the HS2 Project.
2. To be aware of the impact of HS2 in this area.
3. To be aware of the consultation event.

- HS2 will deliver direct High Capacity Passenger services between major cities.
- It will free up capacity on existing lines. (The current network will be at capacity by 2020.
- From 94/95 to present day rail travel has doubled.
- By the time HS2 is complete, much of the current network will be over 200 years old.
- HS2 will enable fast intercity trains on the network.
- It will re-develop and re-generate.
- It will create between 100K and 400K new jobs.
- Leeds to London will be 82 minutes.
- Sheffield Meadowhall to London will be 69 minutes.
- Re-generation is expected outside London with company investment in the networked cities.
- HS2 will not carry freight but freeing up capacity on the current network will allow space for more freight there.

- Costs will be £42.6bn for phases 1 and 2 with £21.2bn of that being spent on phase 2. These costs include a large contingency budget.
- Phase 1 is timed at 2016 to 2026 and phase 2 at 2022 to 2033.

The discussion that followed was around investing in the current network with a counter view that it is difficult to see how things will have moved on by 2033 so we should go ahead. There was also a view that it is not a question of existing networks **OR** HS2 but an opportunity for both to develop.

Rachael wanted Local Authorities to focus on what they could do to develop links to the HS2 hubs to gain maximum benefit.

There will be a public information event at Barnsley Town Hall on 2.11.13 between 10.00 and 17.00.

3 Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes were agreed as a true record.

4 Matters Arising from earlier meetings and action Points

- AP 01/2305 Funding for Publicity for the Plan now paid into account from CDF. **Cleared.**
- AP 02/2305 Alan wrote to bank, statements are sent to Treasurer. **Cleared.**
- AP 04/1306 Brian to set up an open meeting with the Police Commissioner after first raising this with the Crime and Safety Group. Brian reported that he had difficulty in matching the diaries of those involved and instead a more productive meeting had taken place with Paul Brian the Community Enforcement Manager. **Cleared.**
- AP05/1306 Alan wrote to bank and the name on the account can be changed. **Cleared.**
- AP04/2907 Margaret to have a conversation with Dick to make a decision whether or not to merge the CSF with the Alliance funds. Margaret and Dick had decided not to merge the funds this year. **Cleared.**
- AP02/1306 Business Case for Canopies funded by High Street Innovation Fund to be submitted to the Alliance – The Business case was presented by Alan who had written it on behalf of the High Street Committee who are the Business Case owners. **AP to remain.**
- The Community Alliance noted the Canopies Business Case and in particular the amount of work that needs to go on in formally consulting the stakeholders. Specifically points were raised on whether residents in the flats on the High Street would see the Canopy as a meeting place for unruly behaviour, and concerns that an agreement on usage by Market Stallholders must be achieved.
- Kate told the Community Alliance that consultation on the Business Case would take place at the same time as the High Street consultation on the Plan for Wombwell. A £50 prize draw has been proposed by the High Street Committee for those commenting.
- Kate also reported that she had cancelled the Consultation event on the Plan for Wombwell organised for 14.09.13 due to purdah for the Local By-election. A further event was organised for 28.09.13 from 12.00 to 14.00. There was discussion whether

this should be earlier in the day and Kate agreed to count 'traffic' and arrange a further event if needed. Either way the Community Alliance agreed that the Plan was now fit for purpose and could go forward to the Area Council.

5 Treasurers Report

Dave Cole was on holiday but has provided a written update. See annexe 1

6 Secretary's Report

The Secretary reported that a Community First Panel meeting is to be held on Wednesday 9th October.

7 Meeting with We Love Wombwell

This meeting has now taken place with WLW being represented by Mike and Joy Bretton and Joan Whittaker. The Community Alliance was represented by Alan and Margaret. Kate and Cllr Mick Stowe explained the purpose of the Community Alliance and its role in relation to a Neighbourhood Network group to WLW. The network group would need to have a strong relationship with the Community Alliance.

Already there are several members of WLW on the Community Alliance and there was no need for more.

However the meeting agreed that a 'liaison person' should be nominated from the Community Alliance to work with WLW specifically on the issue of networking. The Community Alliance agreed this should be Richard Ulyott and a provisional meeting had been arranged for 04.10.13 assuming Richard could make it.

8 Alliance Funding and membership

The Community Alliance agreed that existing members of the Wombwell Community Board could now be transferred to the Community Alliance.

Kate reported there was £10k for 2013/14 and although it should be spent during that year there was recognition that due to the late start we may be able to carry it forward.

Kate suggested that some funding could be spent on setting up the Neighbourhood Network with WLW. Margaret was very clear that spending should be in accordance with the Plan and she believed that spending on the Neighbourhood Network was consistent with that.

Alan mentioned that the Community Notice Board could do with an examination and a decision made whether we needed a larger one. Margaret said she would take a look at the Notice Board and report back.

AP 01/2309

The Community Alliance agreed that the next meeting should have a substantial time slot to discuss the Plan and how we take parts of it forward.

AP 02/2309

9 Any other Business

Nick raised the issue of the windows in the empty shops and asked if he could approach the agents for access to tidy them up. The Community Alliance agreed this way forward.

AP 03/2309

The presence of a representative from the SNT was questioned and Kate agreed to follow this up.

AP 04/2309

10 Dates of Next Meetings

Alliance

All 6pm starts: Venue Netherwood School:

Monday 28th October 2013

Wed 22nd Jan 2014

Wed 9th April 2014

Community First

Wednesday 9th October 2013 2pm Netherwood School.

Annexe 1 Treasurers report:

Wombwell Community Alliance Financial Statement 8th September 2013

	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>
CDF for Art Club	£1,190.00	
High Street Camera Insurance		£308.20
CFS left from 2012	£1,207.00	
Art Club Payment		£509.61
Art Club Payment		£564.90
Art Club Payment		£113.80
CDF for Drop in Centre	£300.00	
CDF for Alliance Plan Publicity	£294.50	
Alliance Publicity on Plan		£85.74
Drop in Centre		£300.00
	£2,991.50	£1,882.25
Income minus Expenditure	£1,109.25	
Balance in Bank	£1,109.25	
LIABILITIES		
Held for Art Club	£2.10	
Held for Alliance Publicity	£208.06	

Dave A Cole. Treasurer of Wombwell Community Alliance