

Wombwell Community Alliance
Netherwood School
17.30 18th June 2014

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Present:

Alliance Members:

Cllr Margaret Morgan	Chair Person (Items 1 to 5)
Alan Taylor	Secretary
Brian Whitaker	Treasurer
Cllr Dick Wraith	Vice Chair (Chair for items 6 onwards)
Cllr Rob Frost	
Graham Wright	
Brenda Eastwood	
Jola Walker	Bernslai Homes
John Cooper	
Tanya Dickinson	BMBC
Wendy Slater	BMBC

1 Apologies:

Nigel Elliott: Tony Dutton: Connor Barrett:

Margaret welcomed Martin Mugge and Andy Hodgkinson for item 5

Connor Barrett (Netherwood School) has sent in his resignation from the Alliance.

Margaret explained she would have to leave at 6.15 and Dick would take the Chair at that point.

2 Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes were agreed as a true record.

3 Matters Arising from earlier meetings and action Points

Margaret raised the issue of the meeting organised by We Love Wombwell WLW saying she would have appreciated consultation beforehand and that she would be unable to attend. Tanya said that no matter what date was agreed it would never suit everyone.

Alan raised the issue of consultation as the meeting was to discuss the Plan and the Alliance as owners of the plan should have been involved at the very least as a courtesy before the event was finalised.

Tanya expressed the view that this was an event organised by WLW to enable Community Groups to meet, discuss the plan and start to think about how they could support the ward plan, and what priorities they felt they could support the Alliance to deliver.

4 Treasurers Report

Brian presented the Treasurers report explaining that the Alliance has the following:

- £10K from 2013/14 with £2K committed to Wombwell Cricket Club.
- £10K for 2014/15.

- £7K Public Health Funding with £1400 paid to We Love Wombwell leaving £5600.
- The Alliance's own funds stand at just under £1500 with £340 committed to Poo in the Park leaving £1160
- Additionally there is the £10K High Street Innovation Fund unspent.

Alan added there was also £11.8K Community First Funding, which excluding the Alliance's own funds left over £45K to spend in Wombwell in 2014/15.

5 Funding Application from Wombwell Church and Toc H

Martin presented the bid and a copy of the PowerPoint application is available to anyone who wishes to see it.

This is a partnership between the Church and TocH to provide a Community 'Hub' in the old 'Gas Showrooms' on High Street Wombwell.

He presented a list of ways in which the Hub can and will be used, that will meet the priorities in the Wombwell Plan, such as youth meeting point, base for Street Pastors and improvement of a derelict shop frontage on the High Street.

He explained that the project had been professionally costed and that architects plans for the design and refurbishment were available. Disability access will be provided and a lift installed.

There is a bid for £32K lodged with Waste Recycling Environmental Limited (WREN) and the result of that will be known by the end of July. If that bid fails there are other sources of funding.

The Alliance had questions around:

- Disability Access;
- Terms of the agreement between the Church and TocH;
- The use of the Hub and overlap with other services:

Martijn assured the Alliance that these were only 'for example' uses and final decisions will be made after talking to other service deliverers in Wombwell.

Several members asked whether Alliances from bordering areas should be asked to contribute towards the costs. Martijn agreed they could be brought in for some of the fitting out costs and requirements once the Hub was running.

The Alliance agreed to fund £4180 towards the Heating and £700 towards the electrics. (Voting of 6 in favour with the 3 Councillors abstaining) There is a Community First bid to cover the balance of the cost of the electrics.

These grants are subject to the Church confirming that Disability access is satisfactory and that a 5 year agreement is drawn up between the Church and Toc H.

The Alliance also pointed out that the money will not be paid until confirmation of WREN funding is obtained and should that fail and an alternative funding stream is not identified before 31.12.14, the funding may need to be re-directed.

6 Funding Application from Wombwell Main Cricket Club. (Cllr Wraith took over as Chair)

Cllr Wraith declared an interest and took no part in the discussion or vote

This application was agreed at the last meeting for a sum of £2K. However other funding for the project has not been realised and the Alliance were asked to increase the grant to £4K.

The Alliance agreed this application unanimously.

AP 01/1806. Alan is to speak to the Cricket Club Secretary to see if the part of the project covered by this funding can be completed as a separate item. Funding can then be released.

7 Secretary's Report

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Community First

The next CFP meeting is 25.06.14. The budget for 2014/15 is £11.8K and this has to be spent by 30.09.14. This is the final year of Community First.

Poo in the Park

The first event in May had to be cancelled because of bad weather. However the 'Pick it up' stencils have since been painted. There is plenty of paint left and the stencils can be used over and over.

The next event where poo bags will be handed out is scheduled for 15.7.14.

High Street

Alan has written to Martin Farren to arrange a meeting. Unfortunately it is Matt Gladstone who has this responsibility and Alan has been unable to follow up due to holidays of both parties. This can now be done.

CCTV in the Park

Thanks to Graham for working with the SNT on this. It turns out that the CCTV images can be downloaded but unfortunately by the time the SNT did this, the images had been wiped as they are on a 30 day loop. Consequently there are no images of the vandalism in the playground and the SNT are unable to follow this through. Alan has spoken to Fiona Tennyson of enforcement and Jo Birch of Parks and it seems as though the incident was not formally reported to the police as there is no crime number.

The Alliance agreed that in future, whoever 'hears the first report' should report any similar incidents to the police and inform Jo Birch. Alan will write to Jo and Fiona with this process asking them to report incidents as appropriate too.

AP 02/1806. Alan to agree process with Fiona and Jo.

6 Working with We Love Wombwell

Tanya Dickinson outline WLW's latest proposal for an event on 9.7.14. This is a training event followed by a discussion about the Plan for Wombwell. The discussion will enable Community Groups to think about how they could support the Plan, and what priorities they felt they could support the Alliance to deliver. Alliance members had been invited to attend and several have asked to be there.

The Web Site is going to be launched at Picnic in the Park on 23.7.14. Local publicity has been arranged. The Facebook site will be linked to the Web site.

Following the change to the constitution the Network is establishing its membership via a registration process.

AP03/1806 Tanya is to check whether Councillors have voting rights.

Tanya thanked the Alliance for expediting the funding for the network as this has enabled the web site development to be advanced.

Dick thanked Tanya for her work with WLW and said he felt it was turning into a much improved organisation.

7 Dates of Next Meetings

Alliance

Thursday 18th September 2014. 6pm start: Netherwood School:

Poo in the Park.

17.30 to 19.30 Tuesday 15th July.

Community First

25th June Netherwood 10.30

25th September Netherwood 14.30

AP 04/1806. Alan is to check with the Council diary and arrange further meetings.

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