

Newgate Lane & Racecourse Area NMT

Agenda for meeting to be held on
Monday 6th August at 6.30pm

Location: Selwyn Street Community Centre

1. Introductions.
2. Apologies.
3. Minutes of the previous meeting (*attached*).
4. Matters arising.
5. Correspondence.
6. Funding & Grants Update.
7. Wardens / Policing Update
8. Any other business.
9. Date & time of next meeting

**NEWGATE LANE AND RACECOURSE AREA
NEIGHBOURHOOD MANAGEMENT TEAM**

**MINUTES OF MEETING: MONDAY, 2nd July 2007
Empire Street Pentecostal Church**

Present

Ian Lilliman (Chair)	John Pickering (Treasurer)
Tony Gabbittas (Vice-chair)	Pat Wortley (Committee member)
Lesley Watkins - Mansfield CVS	Michael Kilminster - resident
Wayne Harwood - Resident	CLlr Bill Drewett - Eakring ward
CLlr Steve Garner - Eakring ward	PC Craig Sims
Jill Papper - Notts County Council	Javier González - visitor
R. Cross - MDC	
Kirsty Armstrong - MDC Physical Activity Development Officer	

Apologies

Kerry Chapman - MDC Housing Officer	Kevin Mason - Resident
Sherry Mason - Resident	Dave Minshull - MDC Mobile Warden
PC Colin Morley - Police	PCSO Paul Park - Police
Zoe Dawson - Community Education, WNC	
Jason Bennett - MDC neighbourhood renewal	

1) Welcomes and Introductions

Ian welcomed everyone and the group introduced themselves.

2) Apologies for Absence

Kerry Chapman, Kevin Mason, Sherry Mason, Dave Minshull, PC Colin Morley, PCSO Paul Park, Zoe Dawson - Community Education, WNC, Jason Bennett

3) Minutes of the previous Meeting

Minutes were agreed a true copy.

4) Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

5) Correspondence

Ian received an e-mail from Kerry (housing officer) regarding street signs etc... following the last estate walkabout. Most signs have now been repaired or replaced but it was noted that there is still a damaged sign on Smith Street/Newmarket Street. It was confirmed that the ASB Team and the Police have been working on the anti social behaviour issues on Argyle Street and Hall Street and that warning letters have now been sent to the nuisance households concerned. The groups had a discussion around this on-going issue and it is clear that these households are still causing distress to other residents in the area. Ian suggested that a meeting

between Meryl Cunliffe, from the ASB team and concerned residents could be a way forward.

6) Funding and Grants Update

The following two bids had been submitted to the team prior to the meeting and had not yet been formally appraised.

a) **Senior Citizens Day Trip to Scarborough - £380**

The bid was for the cost of hiring a coach to take a group of senior citizens from both the Racecourse and the Newgate Lane area to Scarborough for the day in the summer. Jill Papper explained that one off day trips are not usually funded unless some links to the action plan and NRF floor targets could be shown. The group agreed that joining two separate groups of elderly people from the two sides of the area would be good for building community relations and it was also recognised that this trip could be used as an opportunity to do some consultation work around the needs and issues of a group that are traditionally hard to reach. With these points in mind it was agreed that John would amend the bid as necessary.

b) **Summer activities for young people - £600**

The proposed bid was to provide a holiday club based at the Church every Tuesday morning throughout the summer holidays and to then take the youngsters involved on a day out at the end of the project. The group agreed that this sort of activity is required and that once again this would provide the NMT with an opportunity to consult with the young people in order to identify their needs/issues and to then feed them into the action plan. The group had no objections to these bids, and given the tight timescales delegated powers were given to the committee/appraisal group to appraise and agree these bids without coming back to a full meeting. The bids need to be completed and appraised ASAP and sent to Carly so that the funding can be agreed prior to the start dates. The group had a discussion around general activity for young people and it was felt that there is a lack of organised activity during the School holidays. It was acknowledged that there are several sports based clubs (football, cricket etc...) already operating on the Racecourse park and these are very well attended. The group agreed that any extra activities would be welcome. **Action - Ian to pass Mark Craddock's phone number to Pat to see if he can deliver some NRF funded activity sessions on the local parks during the holidays.**

7) Presentations

Maureen Davison - Getting into Work. Maureen gave a presentation regarding the Mansfield District Council 'Get into Work' project. This project is based in the NRF areas and offers a range of support services to those who are trying to get back into employment and/or training.

Kirsty Armstrong - Physical activities officer MDC. Kirsty from Mansfield District Council gave a presentation on the 'Active Choices' project. This project provides access to free activity and exercise classes in the NRF based communities. Kirsty wanted to know from the group if they had any ideas for venues or types of classes

which would be welcome in the area. The following venues were suggested: Selwyn Street Centre, The Treasury, Asquith School and Empire Street Church. Activities for young people were once again mentioned and Kirsty confirmed that although her project is aimed at 16year and over she could in fact work with 14 years and over in special circumstances. It was suggested that Kirsty liaise with local schools such as Sherwood Hall and Brunts to find out what the young people in the area might be interested in. For further information on this project please contact **Kirsty on 01623 463470.**

8) Action Plan

Ian had circulated the final draft of the action plan and gave an up date on some of the activity which has already taken place.

- a. **Litter:** Ian has been on a walkabout with a rep from MDC and confirmed that several new bins are to be installed in the Maltby Road area. Some of these bins will be provided by MDC with the remainder to be funded by the NMT.
- b. **Dog Fouling:** Ian explained the planned campaign around dog fouling which gets the message across by using humour. He passed round examples of the posters that will be used and also the postcards which can be pushed trough doors on walkabouts to encourage people to clean up after themselves and also to report incidents of dog fouling. Ian confirmed that he had not had response from Asquith School regarding the competition for a new design on dog bags. **Action - Lesley to follow this up with the School**
- c. **Under Age Drinking:** Ian confirmed that the accountant opposite Carlo's has been approached to see if he would like his premises to be gated off in order to stop young people sitting on his steps and drinking. This suggestion has been well received and it looks like this will go ahead.

9) Police/Wardens update

Colin and Paul were both unable to attend the meeting and feedback was therefore given by Craig Sims. Craig confirmed that Colin is dealing with the mini motorbike issue on Hall Street. Colin and Paul are using the bikes on a regular basis and Craig confirmed that they have been extremely useful. A door knocking exercise is being arranged in the next few weeks to speak to residents about local issues and to further identify priorities. Ian asked for any information on new initiatives and any updates on the priorities to be forwarded to him for inclusion in the newsletter.

10) Any Other Business

John passed around information on the 50+ transport scheme which offers 2 x vouchers up to a value of £5 each per week. **Action - Ian to include details of this scheme in the next newsletter.**

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