

Minute/Decision Summary to be confirmed
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Members:

Manager: Kevin Pitt

Chair: John Tough

Ged McGuire (CS) , Miriam Stanton (PS), John Thompson (PC), Ken Ellis (VS), Geoff Harrison (CS), Michele Smith (CS) Joe Maloney (VS), Jim Sculley (BS), Kevin Bowler (CS), Colin Stratton, Paul Harrison (PH), Roger Black, Liz Smith (BS), Cath Coldbeck (CS)

Advisors/Observers

Sophie Richardson (SBC), Louise Allen (SBC), Andrew McMillan (SBC), James Hadman (SRCGA), Jim Stancliffe (SBC) and Mark Rowell (SBC)

Apologies

Sue Cash

Cllr Barry Woodhouse

Kelly Brown

Cllr Keith Dewison

CS =	Community Sector
PCT/PUB =	Primary Care Trust/Public Sector
PS =	Private Sector
Stockton Police/PUB =	Stockton Police/Public Sector
SBC/PUB =	Stockton Borough Council/Public Sector
VS =	Voluntary Sector
JS+/PUB =	Job Centre Plus
CPF =	Community Partnership Forum

YA =	Youth Assembly
RC =	Rural Community Sector
BS =	Business Sector
PC =	Parish Council

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<p>1.Introductions and Apologies for Absence</p> <p>Welcome to John Thompson, who is replacing Mark Leck from the Parish Council for the next 3 months. Mark Leck in attendance as advisor</p> <p>Apologies recorded and noted</p>		<p>KAB and CS raised the issues of the representation of the Parish Council on the board regarding the constitution. The Manager resolved the issues and it was noted that John Thompson represent the Parish Council on TBP for the next 3 months.</p> <p>Noted</p>	SR			<p>Sophie Richardson SBC 01642 526026</p>
<p>2. Approval of Minutes from Meeting 12th March 2006</p> <p>Minutes of the last meeting amended and</p>		Noted	SR			Sophie Richardson

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<p>agreed as being an accurate and true record</p> <p>Matters Arising John Whitehead Park has received funding from Neighbourhood Renewal fund for a total of £175,000 for 2 years. £75,000 for the first year and £100,000 for the second year.</p>		Noted				SBC 01642 526026 Kevin Bowler TBP 01642 613272
<p>3. Economic Regeneration and Transport</p> <p>Mark Rowell from SBC attended. Tony Campbell the Chair of the ERT was unable to attend.</p> <p>The function of ERT is to strategically coordinate and oversee all aspects of economic regeneration and transport in the Borough of Stockton on Tees in a sustainable manner in line with the Community Strategy objectives and outcomes. The responsibilities are: Community Strategy, Neighbourhood Renewal and Local Area Agreements (LAA).</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>MR</p> <p>MR</p>			<p>Mark Rowell SBC 01642 526010</p> <p>Mark Rowell SBC 01642 526010</p>

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<p>Key Performance Targets specific to Billingham were circulated for discussion. The following comments from the board were raised:</p> <p>Must be careful when giving new businesses grants that it is not going to put established businesses out of competition</p> <p>Worklessness can be defined as people of working age who are not working but who are looking for a job, and the economically inactive that are neither working nor looking for work e.g. those on incapacity benefit.</p> <p>Are we using the same consultants, which were involved in the failed attempt for LEGI funding?</p> <p>Report from MR was referred to TBP's ERT Thematic Group.</p>		<p>MR reported that where the funding comes from can often determine how the money is spent.</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Consultants who have been involved in successful bids are helping with a new bid</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>TBP ERT Thematic</p>			<p>Mark Rowell SBC 01642 526010</p> <p>Mark Rowell SBC 01642 526010</p> <p>Mark Rowell SBC 01642 526010</p> <p>Geoff Harrison TBP</p>

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<p>The Northern Area was piloted some 18 months ago, and independently examined for consistency. Following this successful examination, surveying the rest of the Borough was undertaken, and completed in 2005. The survey results were added to a database and a number of conclusions drawn from the data. These conclusions form the basis of the report now out for consultation. The next process is consultation. You can use the online interactive map by visiting: www.stockton.gov.uk/openspace or visiting Borough Libraries – drop in sessions 10 a.m. – 7 p.m. at Billingham Roseberry Library on 11th April, Norton Library, 28TH April, Thornaby Library on 2nd May and Egglescliffe Library on 13th April or you can visit Planning Reception, Gloucester House, Church Road, Stockton. Planning would like to know what TBP thinks of the open spaces within Billingham, have any open spaces been missed off and any other comments would be appreciated.</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>TBP Liveability Thematic to review the open space audit within Billingham and report back to TBP</p>				<p>Andrew McMillan SBC 01642 526056</p> <p>Andrew McMillan</p>

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<p>After consultation the comments received will be analysed and a new series of conclusions produced, and the Audit will be complete</p> <p>The Audit will be updated every three years to build up a long term picture. The Audit findings will be a reliable and credible data source which may be used to inform a number of future projects.</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>				<p>SBC 01642 526056</p> <p>Andrew McMillan SBC 01642 526056</p>
<p>5. Dates of Meetings The dates of the meetings for the remainder of 2006 were circulated with the agenda. The November date was not included.</p>		<p>Noted</p>	<p>SR to send a revised list</p>			<p>Sophie Richardson SBC 01642 526026</p>
<p>6. Matters Arising a. Town Centre Development Louise Allen from SBC attended. Numerous meetings and discussions have taken place with Halladale. The proposals are being assessed by Council Officers and detailed financial and legal appraisals are</p>		<p>Noted</p>				<p>Louise Allen SBC 01642 528942</p>

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<p>£79,000.</p> <p>Option 3 – 7 spaces, 1 disabled and 1 motorcycle, with lighting - £68, 000.</p> <p>Option 4 – 9 Spaces and 1 disabled, no lighting but drainage - £29,000</p> <p>A concern was noted that anything less than option 1, may have an adverse affect on the location of the Carnival. At present there is limited funding available as Cllr Bob Cook has advised he would be able to commit £5,000 - £10,000. Other possible funding streams to be re-sought.</p> <p>This matter is to be referred to the Bulgarth Community Group Chaired by GM.</p> <p>c. Billingham House A letter has been sent to Bizzy B Management stating the Council's intention to serve a Section 79 notice in accordance with the Building Act, or such other notice as may be deemed appropriate at the time to</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>GM</p>			<p>Jim Stancliffe SBC 01642 526743</p> <p>Ged McGuire TBP 01642 863130</p> <p>Louise Allen SBC 01642 528942</p>

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<p>address the state of the property. The notice will be served unless works or repair, restoration or demolition are commenced within 3 months from the date of the letter with an assurance as to timescale for completion, or a further proposal for appropriate development of the site is submitted to the local planning authority within that 3 month period.</p> <p>The Council has served an Abatement Notice on Bizzy B to ensure that an asbestos survey is carried out and any works required as a result of the survey are undertaken. The notice is to be compiled with by 24th April by which time arrangements should be made for a licensed asbestos removal contractor, if the report deems it necessary. If Bizzy B fails to act within the specified time the Council will arrange a survey and the completion of any subsequent works. Bizzy B will be charged for the survey and any works that the Council has to undertake.</p> <p>Forum</p>		Noted				Louise Allen SBC 01642 528942

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<p>The introductory PFI meeting was rescheduled for the 5th April. A verbal update was provided at the Billingham Partnership Meeting. This was a very positive meeting and it was agreed that the bid would focus on the Forum Complex. Next meeting will take place on 24th April 2006. ERT would like to nominate GH to attend the PFI meetings as the Economic, Regeneration and Transport representative of TBP, whilst JM will represent Arts & Culture.</p> <p>La Ronde and Forum House Jim Stancliffe from SBC was in attendance. The demolition of both properties is still due to commence in mid May. A condition will be placed in the contract that all works for Forum House should be completed by the 14th July in time for the Billingham Festival.</p> <p>Letters will be sent out to inform all tenants, businesses and other interested parties of the works and traffic management implications. Meetings will be held with any</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>				<p>Louise Allen SBC 01642 528942</p> <p>Geoff Harrison TBP 01642 861992</p> <p>Jim Stancliffe SBC 01642 526743</p> <p>Jim Stancliffe SBC 01642 526743</p>

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<p>individual businesses that have concerns, and press releases will also be issued. Hoardings will be places at the two sites, including artistic impressions of the proposed regeneration with information relating to the demolition works.</p> <p>Tenders have been returned and will be assessed this week. Both buildings will be demolished at the same time. Town Centre business have been notified. The demolition of La Ronde is difficult as it is on the corner of Rothbury Street and this will have to be closed for some time although access to the health centre will still be provided. Equipment for the festival is located in the basement of La Ronde. JM spoke to an Officer regarding storing equipment at the Resource Centre. This has not been taken any further forward.</p> <p>In relation to the pigeon problem in the Town Centre, it was reported that the Council has completed cleaning and that temporary signs would be placed to discourage people from</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>LA to progress this matter.</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>LA</p>			<p>Jim Stancliffe SBC 01642 526743</p> <p>Louise Allen SBC 01642 528942</p>

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feeding the pigeons.						
<p>7.a Voluntary Sector May Day Rally – 29th April, 12 p.m. at Stockton Central Library with speakers. There will be no march.</p> <p>b. Business Sector Rats have been seen in the Town Centre. This matter is to be referred to SBC Pest Control. The Chemist in the Town Centre is extending and will need a car park. A planning application is also in for a dentist which would also require planning permission</p> <p>c. Public Sector There are to be major changes in education. White paper out for schools and colleges.</p> <p>Learning Skills Council runs post 16 education, this is changing and becoming</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>				

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more regional based. Group of 5 people based just for Stockton area, when they are in place. Would be a good idea to invite the staff back		TBP Agreed				
<p>9. Chairs Report Area Chairs took place on 7th April with a presentation from John Tierney regarding the youth assembly proposing a full youth assembly made up of sub groups and various forums linking in. This is a chance to see how we can engage the youths and also giving the youths a voice.</p> <p>There was a discussion regarding the Credit Union, and their impact on the Borough although there is none in Billingham. Looking at Credit Unions across the Board. Looking at making one big Credit Union with support from a worker from 5 lamps, funding still needs to be acquired.</p> <p>The visioning event and document which TBP created has been seen as best practise and there will be a proposed area action plan</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>				<p>John Tough TBP 07963481941</p> <p>John Tough TBP 07963481941</p> <p>John Tough TBP 07963481941</p>

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Hopefully by October 2006 the Action Plan for the Thematics and the Community Strategy and also the Communication and Funding Strategy to also be in place.						
<p>10. Managers Report</p> <p>Core Funding Agreement is being reviewed by SBC report submitted to SBC. Government have reduced core funding across the board</p> <p>Finance Finance statements circulated to the board. The TBP office at Billingham Business Centre needs to be monitored for usage.</p> <p>Drugs Action Team</p> <p>KP updated members of the Board regarding police activity and seizures regarding drugs related offences within the Borough.</p> <p>TBP agreed the Board in connection with Stockton Drugs Action Team, Police and the</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>TBP Agreed</p>				<p>Kevin Pitt TBP 01642 360150</p> <p>Kevin Pitt TBP 01642 360150</p> <p>Kevin Pitt TBP 01642 360150</p> <p>Kevin Pitt TBP</p>

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<p>Local Education Network would develop a drugs awareness campaign for Billingham</p> <p>KP had a meeting with Dave Scott regarding Regeneration in Billingham and plans for redevelopment of ICI. This will go to the relevant Thematic group.</p>		<p>TBP Agreed Dave Scott to attend next meeting</p>				<p>01642 360150</p>
<p>11. Any Other Business TBP received a letter from Tony Hodgson from the Children's Fund Partnership Board requesting a community or voluntary sector representative.</p>		<p>Noted</p>				