

**Minute/Decision Summary to be confirmed**  
**Meeting- The Billingham Partnership**  
**Date – 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2006**

**Members:**

Manager: Kevin Pitt

Chair: John Tough

Ken Ellis (VS), Geoff Harrison (CS), Michele Smith (CS), Kevin Bowler (KAB) (CS), Colin Stratton (BS), Paul Harrison (PH), Roger Black, (BS), Ray McCall (CS), Cllr Barry Woodhouse (SBC), Liz Smith (BS), Cath Coldbeck (CS), Joe Maloney (VS), Ged McGuire (CS), Susan Elden (PCT), Jim Sculley (BS)

**Advisors/Observers**

Zoe Rutter (SBC), Haleem Ghafoor (SBC), Louise McDonald (SBC), Kelly Brown (SRCGA), Julie Derbyshire (SRCGA)

**Apologies**

Keith Dewison

Roger Black

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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<b>1.Introductions and Apologies for Absence</b>  Introductions and apologies were noted		Noted	ZR			Zoe Rutter SBC 01642 526025
<b>2. Approval of Minutes from Meeting 4<sup>th</sup> September 2006</b>  Minutes of the last meeting agreed as being an accurate and true record.		Noted	ZR			Zoe Rutter SBC 01642 526025
<b>3. Matters Arising</b>  Chair opened the meeting by informing the Board that John Thompson had passed away earlier in the day. Chair thanked KB & KP as they had supported John through his illness. Chair offered the Board's sincere condolences to John's family.		Noted	KP to circulate any funeral details.	No	No	John Tough Chair

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<p><b>a) Town Centre Development</b></p> <p>LM informed the Board that Halladale have been formally announced as the new owner of the MARS leasehold interest. LM reported that the Council view this as a very positive move and are continuing their discussions with Halladale.</p> <p><b>b) Billingham House</b></p> <p>LM advised the Board that the Section 79 notice has not yet been served on Bizzy B Management Ltd but is working to serve the notice by mid October. LM to keep the Board informed of any progress made.</p> <p><b>c) Billingham Forum</b></p> <p>LM advised the Board that another meeting had taken place with PMP Consultants and at present they are on track with the Forum consultation. LM informed the Board that the consultation will commence on the 16<sup>th</sup> October and will finish on the 10<sup>th</sup> November.</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>No</p> <p>LM will circulate an amended report to members.</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p>	<p>Louise McDonald SBC 01642 528942</p> <p>Louise McDonald SBC 01642 528942</p>

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<p>Leaflets will be placed in all Leisure Centres, Sure Start buildings and Community Centres across the Borough and drop box facilities will be available (from 20<sup>th</sup> October). The public will also be able to text in their comments or complete the form online from the Council's website. LM did stress that there is a misprint in Stockton News and advised the Board that leaflets are not being delivered to every household in the Borough. The leaflets will be made available in the Community Centres, libraries, sure start centres, Council receptions, leisure centres etc. or on the Council's website. This is considered a better way of ensuring that every individual has the opportunity to make their view known.</p> <p><b>d) La Rhonde</b></p> <p>LM advised that the building has now been demolished and the finishing works are being completed. It is expected that all works will be finished and the car park will re-open by the end of October. Lm will keep</p>		Noted	No	No		



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<p>for fencing and CCTV for the Bulgath site, still awaiting businesses approval, once this has been granted they can start work.  HG advised the Board that Low Grange Residents Association have applied to the Landfill Tax Credits for the remaining £23k that is needed for the Low Grange MUGA, it is anticipated that they will receive a response in 4/5 weeks time.</p>		<p>KAB asked if things go as anticipated, when is work likely to start? HG advised it would be next year although some of the allocation would need to be spent 06/07.</p>				
<p><b>5. Thematic Groups Update</b></p> <p>GH informed the Board that he attended the Transport Strategy meeting on the 28-9-06 and Rob Farnham gave a presentation on future plans for Tees Valley local authorities.</p>		<p>Noted</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>No</p>		
<p><b>6. Information Updates</b>  <b>a) Community Sector</b></p> <p>GH reported that at the last Low Grange Residents Association it was proposed that:</p> <p>A pelican crossing be installed on Melrose Avenue for access to John Whitehead Park,</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p>			<p>Geoff Harrison  Vice Chair</p>

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<p>this was refused as it did not meet the criteria.  A zebra crossing be installed on High Grange Avenue, again this did not meet the criteria, the community representatives would like to keep this on the agenda for possible installation next year.  It was agreed that £5k would be spent on removing the pinch point on Neasham Avenue.  It was agreed that £15k would be spent on two parking bays either side of Bannockburn Way exit in Neasham Avenue and to extend the parking bay opposite Bannockburn Way exit in Neasham Avenue.  It was suggested that the parking problem at St Paul's/Northfield school's on West Thames Road be referred to TBP to follow up.  KAB informed the Board of the new contact for the Anti Social Behaviour team, Steve Alstead and his telephone number is 527838, at present he is based at the Security Centre but maybe relocating to the</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p>			

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<p>Police Station. The Neighbourhood Enforcement Control room number is 528989/528439 and the manager is Graeme Small.  KAB informed the Board that he could not tell us when the consultation on John Whitehead Park will take place. KAB advised the Board that BW has been working very hard on trying to set a meeting up. BW is going to give 3 suitable dates and hopefully get something set up as this needs to be sorted as soon as possible.</p> <p><b>b) Voluntary Sector</b></p> <p>Nothing to report</p> <p><b>c) Business Sector</b></p> <p>JS informed the Board that the Billingham Business Association meeting was taking place on 3<sup>rd</sup> October.</p> <p><b>d) Public Sector</b></p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p>			



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<p>BW informed the Board that parking outside of Billingham Police Station is a problem and an enforcement notice will be served in approx 1 week.</p> <p><b>7. Chairs Report</b></p> <p>Chair advised the Board that he has recently undertaken an interview with the Gazette with regards to Halladale buying the MARS leasehold interest.</p> <p>Chair asked if all ethical governance questionnaires could be returned as soon as possible.</p> <p>As this was John's last meeting he asked if the Board would agree for him to continue working with KP on the funding strategy even though he will no longer be a member.</p> <p>Chair asked if anybody has considered sitting on the Housing &amp; Neighbourhood Partnership.</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>It was suggested that the Board send a letter to Halladale congratulating them and look forward to working with them in the future, Board agreed.</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Board agreed for JT to do this.</p> <p>GH was nominated by the Board. GM asked if once we had found a representative for the</p>	<p>No</p> <p>Board to write letter.</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p>			<p>John Tough Chair</p>

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<p><b>8. Managers Report</b></p> <p>KP reported that at the last Board it was agreed for the constitution to be changed and as a result a member of TBP has been invited to a BME meeting at the Stockton International Family Centre.</p> <p>KP thanked KB for putting together a list of voluntary, young, elderly and disabled groups, KP will be making contact with them.</p> <p>KP informed the Board that an event is coming up at the Education Centre on 12<sup>th</sup> October, "Tell Us What You Think", everybody is welcome.</p>		<p>elderly could they be nominated to sit on the Adult Care Partnership. KP would like all thematic groups to contact him with dates and times of meetings.</p> <p>KP to attend.</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p>			

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<p>The Clarences Community Partnership are holding a meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> October at 5pm to discuss the NRF funding, a member of TBP is invited.</p> <p>KP was asked if the Hard to Reach group was correctly constituted.</p> <p><b>9. Any Other Business</b></p> <p>RM gave an official apology to KAB in connection with the discussion that took place at the last Board meeting regarding the BME representative.</p> <p><b>10. Elections For Chair</b></p> <p>Julie Derbyshire came in to the meeting at this point to conduct the election. Two nominations were received for chair, one from Joe Maloney and one from Geoff Harrison. Each candidate gave a brief talk about themselves and how they see</p>		<p>KP to attend.</p> <p>KP advised that in accordance with the constitution the vote of 10-3 supporting the amendment was sufficient to change the constitution.</p> <p>KAB accepted the apology.</p> <p>Geoff Harrison was then accepted as the new Chair of TBP as from 1<sup>st</sup> November 2006.</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p>			

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<p>themselves taking the Board forward. Chair then asked each candidate “how will they interact strategically?”, both candidates answered the question. At this point in the meeting Joe Maloney stood down as he was having doubts as to whether he could commit himself 100%.</p> <p>GH presented JT with a gift on behalf of TBP and thanked him for all his hard work and wished him well for the future.</p> <p><b>11. Date of Next Meeting</b></p> <p>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2006 at 5.45pm to be held at New Life Resource Centre</p>						