

Minute/Decision Summary to be confirmed
Meeting- The Billingham Partnership
Date – 7th July 2008

Members:

Manager: Kevin Pitt

Chair: Geoff Harrison

Kevin Bowler (KAB), Joe Maloney (VS), Ken Ellis (VS), Ged McGuire (CS), Hillary Aggio (PUB), Gil Smith (BS), Bert Smailes (VS), Edna Brown (VS), Ray McCall (CS), Liz Smith (BS), Mark Telford (PUB), Fred Gook (VS), Michele Smith (VS)

Advisors/Observers:

Zoe Rutter (SBC), Louise McDonald (SBC), Carole Langrick & Paul Frank (Momentum), Miriam Stanton, Chris Humpleby (Over 50's Assembly), Jill Hutchinson (West Billingham Resident), Jim Sculley

Apologies:

Jim Scollen

Colin Stratton

Val Scollen

Roger Black

Elizabeth Benomran

Cath Coldbeck

Barry Woodhouse

Jane Dobson

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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1.Introductions and Apologies for Absence Introductions and apologies were noted.		Noted				Zoe Rutter SBC 01642 526025
2. Approval of Minutes from Meeting 2nd June Minutes of the 2 nd June were agreed as a true and accurate record.		Noted				Zoe Rutter SBC 01642 526025
3. Youth Café – Mark Telford Mark informed the Board that the Youth Café will be completed in two weeks time but will not be operational until the fixtures and fittings are completed. Mark asked the Board if they knew of any celebrities or		Noted	No	No	No	Mark Telford SBC

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<p>local people who would like to be involved in the official opening/launch of the café, any suggestions to be passed to ZR. Mark informed the Board that the café will be operating on a sessional basis and at present Mark is seeking staff to run the café. The café has a 3-5 year lease.</p>						
<p>4. Momentum Pathways to Consultation – Carole Langrick & Paul Franks</p> <p>Carole outlined the presentation that was circulated to the Board prior to the meeting. The consultation process is currently underway and will end in August. Carole informed the Board that this strategy is about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providing the highest possible quality of care that is safe and accessible to everyone • Integration with all care providers • Being responsive to people’s needs • Being informative and having clear communication • Value for money 		Noted	No			Carole Langrick Momentum

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<p>continues to try to prevent unauthorised access of the site via the section 29 notice which requires Bizzy B to maintain the security of the outer and inner fence by patrolling four times per day and making good any breaches identified. Various correspondence has been exchanged with Bizzy B and their agents in relation to this issue, particularly in highlight of Bizzy B's failure to comply with step 1 of the section 79 notice. Chair informed Louise that the asbestos notices have been removed from the site.</p> <p>c. Forum</p> <p>Louise informed the Board that during 2007 "option analysis" work was carried out which informed the Cabinet/Council's decision to opt for an enhanced, phased refurbishment of Billingham Forum. At this time were advised Cabinet that a detailed procurement strategy would be produced in order to ensure associated risk</p>		Noted	No			

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<p>management issues would be fully addressed and that the next stage of design process would focus heavily on “value engineering” and “cost effective procurement.” Louise informed the Board that the procurement strategy has now been finalised and as part of the process of producing the strategy the Council carried out some preliminary discussions with major contractors who indicated that it would be preferable to carry out the refurbishment works under a full closure rather than the previously phased closure. The contractors indicated that a full closure would deliver significant time and cost savings whilst minimising risk. As a result, Council Officers have undertaken a feasibility analysis comparing the advantages and disadvantages of both a full and phased closure. Following consultation with numerous Council officers, Tees Active Ltd (TAL), Billingham Members and relevant Cabinet Members a decision was made to carry out a full</p>		Noted	No			

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<p>1 design and costing work by November. Final approval for the detailed design and cost and permission to appoint the contract to construct will then be sought from Cabinet in spring 2009. It is anticipated that works will start on site on July 2009. RM asked as the Chair of Billingham Ice Skating Club, RM declared an interest at this point, "what will happen to clubs who heavily use this ice rink?" Louise informed the Board that she had looked in to moving ice rink as it is moveable but as the ice rink is decaying it was felt that moving the pad was not a viable option. Louise informed the Board that costs associated with this would, possibly, have an impact on her budget. Louise informed the Board that we have a full year to plan for the closure and work with users and clubs to try to support them and minimise the impact the closure has on them. RM asked if the ice pad could be temporarily relocated. Louise advised that she did not think this would be feasible because of the prohibitive costs</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p>			

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<p>associated with the relocation of the pad, plant, machinery and other public facilities associated with the ice rink and the impact on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highways / road network • Road safety • Accessibility of the site to users (including the need for sustainable links) • Transportation • Car parking provision • Drainage issues <p>LS raised her concerns as tenants in West Precinct have been given notice by Halladale to quit next June and if the Forum is closing in July what is going to happen to the rest of the Town Centre? KAB asked Louise about the soft market testing, he declared an interest at this point.</p> <p>d. John Whitehead Park (JWP)</p> <p>Louise informed the Board that the third phase of the shrub removal is now</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>			

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<p>complete and Care for Your Area will undertake the maintenance of this element of the project.</p> <p>Louise informed the Board that three quotes have been received for the refurbishment of the café and the Council have made a decision to operate the facility in-house.</p> <p>Louise informed the Board that bins and benches have been ordered for the Play Area and four new signs have been installed. Kirklevington Prison are in the process of manufacturing the Play Area fencing (images were circulated).</p> <p>Assessment is ongoing regarding whether the “large ball” as the preferred central feature in the sensory garden, is suitable due to its weight. It has been agreed that the floor sets in the sensory garden will be repaired by the contractor, the broken handrail has also been repaired.</p> <p>KAB informed the Board that signs have been erected in the park advising which play equipment is suitable for which age</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p>			

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<p>group.</p> <p>f. Travellers</p> <p>This item has been discharged from the Board until further information is available. Louise will appraise the Board of developments as she is advised.</p> <p>7. Thematic Group Updates</p> <p>Nothing to report.</p> <p>8. Information Updates</p> <p>a. Community Sector</p> <p>KP informed the Board that the Public Transport Forum is to be held on Saturday 12th July, please speak to KP for more information.</p> <p>GH informed the Board that Tristar now have an anti-social behaviour telephone line available for all members of the public</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>			

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<p>(528989).</p> <p>KP informed the Board that the Mayor's Charity Walk is taking place on Saturday 19th July and Sunday 20th July, speak to KP for more information.</p> <p>KP informed the Board that he has received notification of a Drugs Awareness Course if anybody would like to attend, speak to KP for more information.</p> <p>KP informed the Board that he has received some information on Community Learning Advocates, this was circulated to Board members.</p> <p>KP informed the Board that he had received an invite to the Hartlepool Access Group which is due to be held on Monday 21st July (information was circulated), he would like somebody from the Board to attend as one of our priorities for the next two years is disability.</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>			

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<p>KP informed the Board that he had circulated a paper, for information, on Federation of Schools.</p> <p>KAB informed the Board that phase 2 of Cowbridge Beck is almost complete. Need to speak to KAB about this.</p> <p>b. Voluntary Sector</p> <p>JM informed the Board that Billingham International Folklore Festival (BIFF) received notification that the Forum was going to close in July 2009. However, JM has asked if the Forum can close on 2nd August 2009 so that BIFF would only have to make alternative arrangements for one year. GM proposed that the Board support JM and BIFF with their proposal to the Council.</p> <p>GM informed the Board that the community network representative on Renaissance has resigned and an election for a new representative will be undertaken.</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Board agreed to Support JM and BIFF.</p>	<p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p>			

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<p>given away in prize money in the Tug of War event as follows: £500 for men's team, £500 for women's team, £500 for boys under 16 team and £500 for girls under 16 team. Anybody can enter but the money has got to go to a Billingham group.</p> <p>KP informed the Board that over the last couple of months a few issues have been raised which need to be addressed, he has decided that a short training session would benefit the Board so a training session will take place after the September meeting and this will be a closed session.</p>		Noted	No			
<p>10. Any Other Business</p> <p>Nothing to raise.</p> <p>11. Date Of Next Meeting</p> <p>Monday 1st September 2008 at the New Life Resource Centre, Low Grange</p>		Noted Noted				

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