

**Minute/Decision Summary**  
**Meeting- St. Ann's Development Board**  
**Date – Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2009**

**Members:** David Coleman (**DC**) – Chair/Local Ward Councillor, Jim Fenwick (**JF**) – Mount Pleasant, Tom Green (**TG**) – Mount Pleasant, Dot Enderwick (**DE**) – Portrack, Vera Walker (**VW**) – Victoria, Paul Thomas (**PT**) – Tilery, David White (**DWh**) – Tilery.

**Advisors and Observers:** Darren Morton (**DM**), Sophie Richardson (**SR**) and Dawn Welsh (**DWe**)- Partnership and Engagement Team, Jane Edmonds (**JE**) and Beverley Cross (**BC**) – SBC Housing Team, Neil O'Brien (**NB**) – Engage Associates, Vicky Welsh (**VW**) – CFYA.

**Apologies:** Pat Thomas – Victoria, Barry Hutchcraft – Portrack, Safia Kaba – BME Rep, Dave Brunskill – Stockton Police, Michael Glenn – Buisness Rep, Haleem Ghafoor – Partnerships Team.

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<b>1. Welcome and Introductions</b> Board Members and Advisors were welcomed to the meeting.		Noted				
<b>2. Apologies</b> As above		Noted				
<b>3. Minutes from Previous Meeting</b> Minutes from previous meeting on Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> February 2009 were agreed as a true and accurate record.		Agreed				Darren Morton SBC 01642 526033
<b>4. Matters Arising</b> Swainby Road Residents have now received £5,000 of funding from Grassroots to assist in the running of Lustrum Community House. They have also been successful in a bid for £2000 of Eaga funding to improve Lustrum Beck and the immediate surrounding environment.  Tilery Resident Association have submitted a		Noted  Noted	SR to: 1. Work with residents and the Environment Agency to co-ordinate the works.			Sophie Richardson SBC 01642 526026

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<p>bid to Grassroots for £5,000 to assist in the running of the Frank Wiseman Centre and to set up new activities from the Centre</p> <p>Tees Valley Community Foundation is still yet to release further information on Fairshare funding.</p> <p>SR and DM have been working with Adult Education to investigate running courses from Hume / Nolan House for residents at Queen's Park. After consultation with residents a 'Taster Session' has been organised for Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March between 12 – 2 p.m.</p> <p>Further to Queen's Park Residents meeting, a resident has expressed an interest in becoming a representative on the Board for Queen's Park. . David Unsworth has been will be invited to the next Board meeting before he puts himself forward and is nominated by the residents. The Board will also like to invite other residents of Queen's Park to attend as they are looking to submit an application for the FIND fund to set up a Gardening Club.</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>				<p>Darren Morton SBC 01642 526033</p> <p>Darren Morton SBC 01642 526033</p> <p>Darren Morton SBC 01642 526033</p>
<p><b>5. Housing – Stock Options Appraisal</b> Jane Edmonds and Beverly Cross from the Council's Housing team were joined by Neil</p>		<p>Noted</p>				<p>]Jane Edmonds Housing</p>

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<p>O'Brien an Independent Tenant Advisor to provide the Board with an update on the stock options appraisal.</p> <p>The options for the housing stock appraisal are as follows:</p> <p>1. To remain as it currently is with the Council owning properties and Tristar Homes managing properties</p> <p>2. Stock transfer which includes selling all properties to a Housing Association who will own and manage all properties.</p> <p>3. Private Finance which is a Government scheme which can transform specific neighbourhoods but not borough wide.</p> <p>4. Housing to await the government's review of Council Housing which will be released in Spring.</p> <p>A report was taken to Cabinet who have given approval to the Housing team to further investigate these options.</p> <p>All council tenants should have received a letter in December outlining the process which will be included in "Your Home Your Say" newsletters which are distributed</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>				01642 526682

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<p>quarterly.</p> <p>A pocket guide has also been produced regarding stock options which is available and will be distributed.</p> <p>A group has been set up made of equal resident and council numbers looking at criteria for a new landlord and a report will be taken to Cabinet in September to agree.</p> <p>No changes can incur without a ballot of tenants and this is not expected to take place until at least this time next year.</p> <p>The Council will work with the new landlord (if that option is chosen) to produce an offer which will act as a promise to residents and will state exactly what they propose to do, and it is on this offer that the residents will vote.</p> <p>The current schedule of descent standard works for properties will continue, but no additional works will be carried out</p> <p><b>5 a.) Refuse and Recycling</b>  VW from Care For Your Area discussed with the board the ongoing plastic and cardboard recycling programme.</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>DM to:  1. Contact JE to request info for next Neighbourhood Bulletin.</p>			<p>Darren Morton  SBC  01642 526033</p> <p>Darren Morton  SBC  01642 526033</p>

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<p>As of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2009, there will no longer be community skips.</p> <p>Waste Enforcement Officers are now working to get all areas onboard with recycling. Any individuals not conforming to the rules and regulations of refuse and recycling collection are given warnings and fined according to the severity of the rule violation.</p> <p>Green Waste collection will be starting again in April 2009. Biodegradable bags will be distributed to all households.</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>				
<p><b>6. Progress Report</b>  A progress report update was provided by the Project Manager.</p> <p><b>1.) External Funding</b>  Swainby Road Residents have successfully applied for £5,000 Grassroots funding towards running costs for Lustrum House.</p> <p>Tilery Residents and Portrack Action Group are also in the process of submitting bids to Grassroots.</p> <p>Expression of interest for the Communities for Health Fund was submitted on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2009 on behalf of Tilery Primary School. Allocations will be agreed at the end</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>				<p>Darren Morton  SBC  01642 526033</p> <p>Darren Morton  SBC  01642 526033</p>

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<p>of March 2009.</p> <p>An external funding session is to be arranged for mid/late March. Residents groups and board members will be notified once a date, time and venue has been agreed.</p> <p><b>2.) St. Ann's Funding Team Awards (SAFTA's)</b>            The first SAFTA's for young people will take place at the ARC on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2009 from 5.30 p.m. Eleven projects have been successful in short listing and have been invited to the event. The event is to be attended by the Mayor, local ward councillors, selected community members and up to 100 young people.</p> <p><b>3.) Adult Education at Queen's Park</b>            The board are currently working with Adult Education to deliver taster sessions in five subject areas (Indian Head Massage, Creative Writing, Aromatherapy, Arts and Crafts and Gardening). The session is scheduled to take place on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2009 between 12 (noon) and 2 p.m. Interested individuals will be offered the opportunity to sign up for a free 10 week course with accreditation upon completion.</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>				<p>Darren Morton SBC 01642 526033</p> <p>Darren Morton SBC 01642 526033</p> <p>Darren Morton SBC 01642 526033</p>

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<p><b>4.) Sharing Best Practice</b>  The board has arranged to visit the A690 project in Sunderland on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2009 p.m. The A690 project has successfully engaged with young people through new and innovative methods of youth work including DJing, MCing and Street Dance.</p> <p><b>5.) Sub Group Update</b>  Work is ongoing with the sub groups and the best way to take them forward. An update will be provided at the next board meeting.</p> <p><b>6.) Neighbourhood Bulletin</b>  The Neighbourhood Bulletin is to be distributed over the weekend of the 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> March. If you do not receive a copy or you know of someone who does not receive a copy you should let DM or SR know.</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>				<p>Darren Morton SBC 01642 526033</p> <p>Darren Morton SBC 01642 526033</p> <p>Darren Morton SBC 01642 526033</p>
<p><b>7. Funding Allocation and Staffing for 2009/10.</b>  Consideration was given to staff support arrangements of the board from April 1<sup>st</sup> 2009 to the end of March 2010.</p> <p>It was proposed to extend the existing arrangements through to March 2010 (end of).</p>	<p>DM and SR</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Agreed, the existing staffing be extended. Arrangements including the two</p>				<p>Sophie Richardson SBC 01642 526026</p>

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		honorariums should be extended though the to March 2010 and that the community engagement contract be extended.				
<p><b>8. Board Membership and Attendance.</b>            At a recent Queen's Park Residents (QPR) meeting one resident offered to attend the board with view to becoming involved fully. DM has been working closely with QPR to engage them with the board and to have a say on how funding is spent within the NE area.</p> <p>DW is now representing Tilery Residents at the board.</p> <p>Work is still ongoing to fill the remaining vacant board positions. An update will be given on progress at the next board.</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Agreed</p> <p>Noted</p>				<p>Darren Morton SBC 01642 526033</p> <p>Darren Morton SBC 01642 526033</p>
<p><b>9. Priority Setting</b>            The priorities are being broken down into achievable targets. All relevant service providers are to be kept updated on any projected works with regards to priorities.</p> <p>£4,000 of Young Persons funding as a result of the priority setting has been earmarked for use in partnership with TFM radio and Paul Surtess of Preventions. TFM radio intends to</p>		<p>Noted</p> <p>Agreed subject to criteria</p>				<p>Sophie Richardson SBC 01642 526026</p> <p>Darren Morton SBC 01642 526033</p>



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develop a series of SAFE nights out for young people in Stockton with the potential to use Zanzibar as the Central Stockton venue. The board agree to fund this project subject to criteria ensuring children from the St. Ann's areas are given a minimum amount of tickets.						
<p><b>10. FIND Fund</b>  Marion Wilson submitted a £500 FIND fund bid to fund an extra Passport2Fun and Drama Group. The Passport2Fun and Drama group have been great successes and have been funded previously by the St. Ann's Development Board.</p> <p>PT submitted a FIND fund bid on behalf of Tilery Residents Association to fund a new tower for his personal computer which he uses.</p>	PT	<p>Agreed subject to further information on the groups</p> <p>Agreed</p>				<p>Darren Morton SBC 01642 526033</p> <p>Darren Morton SBC 01642 526033</p>
<p><b>11. Good Practice Visits</b>  Selected board members and partners are attending the successful A690 project in Sunderland on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2009. The project has successfully engaged with young people in a number of deprived areas through innovative activities which the board hopes to utilise and use to initiate activities around the St. Ann's area.</p>		Noted				<p>Sophie Richardson SBC 01642 526026</p>
<p><b>12. SAFTA's for Young People</b>  The St. Ann's Funding Team Awards for young people is to take place at the Arc,</p>		Noted				<p>Darren Morton SBC</p>

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Stockton on Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March 2009 starting at 5.30 p.m. The preparations for the event are well underway and eleven projects have been short listed to attend the event. Information related to successful projects will be brought to the next board meeting.						01642 526033
<p><b>13. External Funding</b>            The board are keen to arrange another external funding session with key partners such as Stockton Residents and Community Groups Association (SRCGA) and Tees Valley Community Foundation. All residents groups and associations and community centres operating within the area will be invited to attend the event.</p> <p>Fairshare funding is now available to apply for and this will form an integral part of the external funding session.</p>		Noted				Darren Morton SBC 01642 526033
<p><b>14. Neighbourhood Bulletin</b>            The St. Ann's Development Board Neighbourhood Bulletin was to be distributed over the first weekend in March. Anybody who does not receive a copy of the bulletin or knows of anyone who does not receive one should let SR or DM know.</p>		Noted				Darren Morton SBC 01642 526033
<p><b>15. Any Other Business</b>            JF has put his apologies in for the next board meeting.</p>		Noted				Darren Morton SBC 01642 526033

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<b>16. Date and Time of Next Meeting</b>  Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2009 at 10.00 a.m., The Willows Centre, Northport Road, Portrack.		Noted				