

**Minutes –Unconfirmed
The Central Area Partnership Board
26th April 2012, 4.00 p.m.**

Stockton Business Centre, Brunswick Street, Stockton.

Members: Paul Thomas (Chair, Tilery Residents Association), Anne Howard (Neighbourhood Watch), Cllr Nigel Cooke (SBC), Cllr Jim Beall (SBC), Cllr David Coleman (SBC), Verna Pickering (Roseworth Residents), Cllr Michael Clark (SBC), David Headland (Salvation Army), Gareth Rees (Thorpe Thewles Residents), Alex Bain (Parkfield Residents), Suzanne Fletcher (Voluntary Sector) and Marilyn Surtees (Elm Tree Community Centre)

*Members are representing their nominating body.

Advisors: Sophie Richardson (SBC), Paul Surtees (SBC), Julie Thornton (SBC), Mal Suggitt (Stockton Police) and Doug Nicholson (Friends of Tees Heritage Park)

Observers:

Apologies:

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<p>1. Welcome and Apologies The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.</p>	No
<p>2. Declarations of Interest None</p>	No
<p>3. Vice Chair Election – Sophie Richardson Suzanne Fletcher was elected Vice Chair</p>	Agreed
<p>4. Minutes of the Meeting held on 23rd February 2012 The minutes were agreed.</p>	Agreed
<p>5. River Users Group DVD – Doug Nicholson, Friends of Tees Heritage Park Unfortunately the DVD was unable to be played, however SR agreed to email a link to view the DVD to all members. The DVD is to be used as a marketing tool locally and nationally to encourage more people to get involved and to use the River. The Board congratulated DN on the work of the River Users Group and identified that they had seen an increase in the number of people who are using the footpaths and cycle ways by the river. More information on the River Users Group and the Tees Heritage Park can be found at www.fothp.co.uk</p>	SR to circulate link to film.
<p>6. Green Infrastructure Delivery Plan – Keith Mathews of Stockton Borough Council The Green Infrastructure Delivery Plan shows a wide range of possible projects which could be implemented under the Stockton on Tees Green Infrastructure Strategy. The Plan can be viewed on a series of area maps available on the Stockton Borough Council website: www.stockton.gov.uk/gideliveryplan. Feedback from any local organisation (including town/parish councils and community/resident groups, private sector partners) on the initial project proposals would be welcomed with the deadline for consultation on the Green Infrastructure Delivery Plan on 27th June. Keith provided the Board with an overview of proposed projects within the Central Area and asked for comments and feedback from the Board.</p>	Noted

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<p>Comments from the Board An issue was raised regarding using Spaces for Play funding on My Place, as Spaces for Play targets a younger age range than My Place.</p> <p>Sports Pitches - The roads around Tilery Football pitches are already very busy with high usage of cars. KM identified that as part of the Green Infrastructure Delivery Plans it identifies the need to have appropriate infrastructure in place at sports pitches and this would be something that would be considered and would be looked into and taken into account.</p> <p>It was noted that while the plans are available online there is no where to view them in person. KM will be available to attend any meeting to discuss the delivery plan including town and parish council meetings.</p> <p>Questions were asked over the extension of cemeteries or the implementation of green burials. JB informed CAPB that this is currently being looked at and a report will be going to Cabinet in the near future. An area of land was identified at the bottom of Clarence Street near the Bypass that could have been used for allotments. It was identified that this area of land is contaminated.</p> <p>The Board requested an update on the Stockton Middlesbrough Initiative.</p>	<p>KM to feedback issue.</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>KM to feedback issue</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>SR to add to forward plan.</p>
<p>7. Quarterly Update Cleveland Police – Inspector Mal Suggitt Insp. Suggitt introduced himself to the CAPB and shared some of his experience over the past 24 years employed with Cleveland Police. Last year Cleveland Police set a target to reduce Anti Social Behaviour by 5%, which was actually reduced by 7.1%. Unfortunately there has been an increase in Crime this year compared to last year, however this year has been the second most successful year on record. The statistics last year have been influenced by the bad weather and the bad weather has been identified as one of the causes of the increase this year, and although disappointed the Police are still pleased with the outcome overall. A 59% reduction in Police running costs has come into effect, which will result in an increase in police on pedal bikes and on foot. Insp. Suggitt discussed with CAPB what information they would like him to provide in future.</p> <p>The Board would like Inspector Suggitt to provide Information on hotspot areas, headline information, trends and comparisons with the borough. Overall the CAPB are very happy with their neighbourhood policing, however there is still a need to see a greater Police presence in local neighbourhoods.</p>	<p>Noted.</p> <p>Noted</p>
<p>8. Voice Box Update – Paul Surtees and Julie Thornton Julie Thornton celebrated with the Central Area Partnership Board the success of Voicebox and their achievements to date. Currently 15 young people are meeting fortnightly to develop a variety of projects with older people. A recent intergenerational project ran which included the young people attending high tea and discussing memories and viewing artefacts. The DVD has been produced as part of this and it is hoped that the Young People can showcase the DVD at a future meeting. JT is hoping to open up membership of the Voicebox and</p>	<p>JT to email a copy of the Voiceboxflyer to Sarah Upex</p>

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<p>promoting it further. Cllr Clarke identified how pleased he was with the work that the young people and Julie have carried out in the local area. Agendas for the Central Area Partnership Board meetings are circulated to the Voicebox and it was noted that it would be great if the young people could feedback on these items.</p> <p>Elm Tree Community Centre expressed the fantastic support received from both Julie Thornton and Paul Surtees with the skate park at Elm Tree. So far 170 members have joined, with 100 children and young people attending the facility on a weekend. It is hoped that the young people will set up their own constituted group to enable them to apply for their own funding. 5 young people who previously had Anti Social Behaviour Orders have been employed by Elm Tree Community Centre and are currently studying for NVQ's and will shortly be qualified Youth Workers.</p>	<p>to circulate.</p> <p>Noted</p>
<p>9. Feedback from Other Partnerships from Board Members Update circulated.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>10. Any Other Business None</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>11. Date and Time of Next Meeting 31st May 2012, 10.00 a.m. at Stockton Business Centre</p>	<p>Noted</p>