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The Northern Area Partnership Board
4th February 2013, 5:45pm
The Forum, Billingham

Chair:

Val Scollen (**Roscoe Road Residents Association**)

Members:

Kevin Bowler (**North Billingham Residents Association**), Jim Scollen (**Old Billingham Community Association**), Jo Maloney (**Billingham International Folklore Festival**), Bert Smailes (**Safer Billingham Partnership**), Hilary Aggio (**Over 50's Assembly**), Fred Gook (**Neighbourhood Watch**), Barry Woodhouse (**Stockton Borough Council**), and Chris Bieda (**Billingham Town Council**),

*Members are representing their nominating body.

Advisors:

Kelly Smith, Sophie Haste, Paul Surtees (**Stockton Borough Council**), Pat Chambers (**Billingham Community Newspaper**), Peter Kelly and Emma Champley (**Public Health Stockton**)

Observer:

Apologies

Gerald Barrass (**Low Grange Residents Association**), Cath Colbeck (**Stockton and District Trade Union**), Sandy Gibson – Bell (**Disability Advisory Forum**), Geoff Harrison (**Low Grange Community Centre**), Jayne Hector (**Clarences Residents Association**), Ged McGuire (**South Billingham Residents Association**), Mike Bowron, Cllr Womphrey and Iain Robinson (**Stockton Borough Council**).

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1. Welcome and Apologies Members were welcomed to the Northern Area Partnership Board Apologies were noted.	Noted. Noted.
2. Declarations of Interest Standard DOI's are on the DOI register. BW declared a personal DOI in Item 8ii as a family member could use the facilities provided at the Reivaulx Resource	Noted. Noted

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3. Approval of the last meeting on 7th January 2013 Agreed as a true record.	Noted.
4. Matters Arising The issue regarding Radar Keys and vandalism of the toilets will be picked up in Stockland's presentation at the meeting in March 2013. Radio Stitch are now called Acoria Media.	Noted.
5. Major Redevelopment Scheme Update a. Town Centre Development An update on the Town Centre Development will be provided by Stockland at the next meeting in March 2013. Does it need council/ Cabinet approval/ endorsement? No Are any other boards affected? No Any Declarations Of Interest? None	Noted. Noted. Noted. Noted.
6. Public Health Update – Peter Kelly Public Health have received their funding allocation of £12.7m for 2013/14 and £13m for 2014/15 which is a 5.7% increase over the two years and allows them to meet commitments of transferring to the Council. Budgets for 2015/16 onwards have yet to be discussed. Transition of contracts and people to the Council is currently underway with HR and Lawyers and normal works are continuing during this time. The Board discussed the new Health Watch arrangements and would like to invite Peter back in a few months to provide a presentation to show the different levels of Health Watch.	SH to invite PK to a Northern Area Partnership Board meeting in June / July
7. Thematic Groups Update: BS circulated crime figures from the Safer Stockton Partnership, for the past three months, however on closer inspection queries were raised over whether they were from last year. BS to check the figures that have been provided and	BS to send KS new figures

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<p>members were advised not to share these statistics with any other groups. It was noted that some residents may complain about crime, but they should be reporting crime. Board members encouraged to spread this message within their community. There has been an increase in the number of garden shed burglaries recently, with the locks on sheds simply being screwed off.</p> <p>JS attended the last meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Partnership where Minimum Unit Alcohol Consultation was discussed.</p> <p>JM attended the Culture partnership last Wednesday. As the meetings have developed into an information exchange it has been decided that the meetings will go annually. If this is the case, JM would like to stand down as representative on this thematic partnership. There is a planning meeting due in October. JM also took the opportunity to inform the Board of the sad news that Maureen Taylor passed away and her funeral will be held on Wednesday.</p> <p>Val attended the last meeting of Stockton Renaissance where Public Health and Town Centres were discussed.</p> <p>No update was available from the Housing and Neighbourhood Partnership.</p>	<p></p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>
<p>8. Board Updates</p> <p>a. Public Sector: i) Town Council</p> <p>Issues were raised over a lack of consultation from the Town Council with residents of Billingham regarding the Town Council's objections to the Extra Care Home Facility.</p> <p>ii) SBC and Youth Service</p> <p>PS informed the Board that the room in the Forum was too costly to bring up to speed without fixtures and fittings and he is now exploring other options. Open access will still continue at Chapel Road. Staff will work continue to work from the Forum on an outreach basis. The Youth Action Zone will continue on Ice and in John Whitehead Park with potential for outreach staff to support John Whitehead Park project. The Preventions Team are engaging young people from JAG. The Youth Forum activity continues through Stand Up Speak Out and the bike restoration project will be delivered in Billingham.</p> <p>Discussions took place over whether the decision to close Rievaulx Resource Centre have been finalised. BW informed the Board that the decision was not final and that he would be campaigning to keep the Centre open.</p> <p>b. Community Sector: i) Supporters of John Whitehead Park</p>	<p>SH to contact TC regarding update on the Town Plan</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>

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<p>The original plans have now been revised and a plan was sent to Kevin Bowler from Keith Mathews from SBC. Due to tight timescales no consultation was carried out on the changes. VS and JS expressed their disappointment that the whole of the Stakeholder Group were not consulted on. Work expected to finish July 2013</p>	<p>Noted Noted</p>
<p>(ii) SRCGA - No update</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>(iii) BELP - Dave Munt has signed up 11 houses in the Clarences to the Grow you Own scheme,</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>(iv)- Legacy Fund - At this moment in time work based grants have been suspended but other funding is available until April 2014.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>(V) - Clarences Update: No update</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>(Vi) - Over 50s Assembly: As noted on the report HA attended the last meeting and the following items were Minimum Alcohol Unit Price, Loneliness Project and Years Ahead were discussed.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>(Vii) Billingham Newspaper: PC informed the Board that the Newspaper is continuing to be released on a bi-monthly basis There has been a recent flurry of people interested with organisations based in Middlesbrough interested in using the paper to reach residents in Billingham. The Paper relies heavily on residents feedback to report non delivery of the paper. The deadline for items for the next edition is 7th March 2013</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>c. Voluntary Sector: KB thanked Tristar Homes for their allocation of ROAP's funding which has allowed High Grange to buy new tables for the centre. The old tables were then donated to two churches in Stockton and some will be going to the Foodbank and New Life Centre in Billingham. KB also thanked Local Ward Councillors, Apedaile, Leckonby and McCall for their contribution for a new window and upgrade to the heating. The Culvert on Cowbridge Beck, Walkworth Road is being renewed and extended to reduce flooding. JM informed the Board that the Festival is on track and is currently working with SBC to look for accommodation for the acts.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>d. Business Sector – No update</p>	
<p>Any Other Business Kelly Smith will be going on Maternity Leave on 8th March 2013, the Board thanked Kelly for her hard work and support over recent years. Sophie Haste will be providing support to the Board until Kelly's return in January 2014.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>11.Date of Next Meeting The next meeting of the Northern Area Partnership Board will be held on:</p>	

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Monday 3rd March 2013, 5:45pm, <u>Cowpen Training Centre, Hereford Terrace, Billingham</u>	Noted.
Northern Area Board members are invited to forward any proposals for agenda items for future meetings to Sophie Haste on 01642 526026 or sophie.haste@stockton.gov.uk	Noted.