

## DONNINGTON PARTNERSHIP WORKING LUNCH

Thursday 10 March 2011 11.30am Turreff Hall

**Present:** Albert Biggs (Chair), Fiona Moore, Rose Gregory, Maurice Kirby, Margaret Henderson, Jean Gulliver, Stephen Frost, Sheila Whitehead, Sandra Thompson, WPC Nikki Scott, CSO Amanda Hall, Cllr Liz Clare, Sharon Price, Phil Bryant, Pam Trower, Josie Edwards, Ralph Morgan, Michaela Dring, John Trott, Michelle Hermistun, Lynne Ratchford, Lisa Stuteley, Gail Hoyles, Mathew Beech, Ralph Morgan, Chris Newman (minutes)

**Apologies:** Paula Smith, Ben Murphy, Steve Wall, Lois Breen, Cllr Clive Mason, Bally Kaur, Phil Norton, Lisa Bradley, Emma Trowell, Karem Grewal

1.	<b>Welcome &amp; Apologies:</b> Albert thanked members for attending the meeting and apologies recorded:
2.	<b>Minutes of the Previous Meeting: Dated 9<sup>th</sup> December 2010</b> These were agreed to be a true record of the meeting and approved by A Biggs.
3.	<b>Matters Arising:</b> None were raised
4.	<b>Open session:</b> CSO Amanda Hall feedback on the 2 priorities raised at the last daytime meeting: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. ASB being experienced in St Matthews Road and Barn Close, which involved verbal abuse and the throwing of missiles. Actions have been put in place to resolve the problem with follow up visits and reassurance patrols being carried out.</li><li>2. The 2nd incident reported involved Criminal damage and ASB around the Leonards Close flats which involved stones being thrown. WPC Nikki Scott explained there were 2 groups identified, but evidence was required to investigate further, it was emphasised that these incidents are being worked on as a priority. Residents from Leonards Close also raised concerns relating to damage to fencing carried out by a group of young children. This was a more recent complaint. WPC Nikki Scott reiterated the importance of reporting all incidents to the Police and it was agreed that this will continue to be a priority.</li></ol> <b>New Priorities</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Leonard Close criminal damage and ASB (as above)</li></ol> Cllr Liz Claire raised some issues which had been raised by Philip Bryant, <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>2. Dog fouling in church Walk.</li><li>3. Cycling on footpaths increasing.</li><li>4. Cycling without lights.</li></ol> WPC Nikki Scott explained how difficult it was to catch the cycling offenders in the act due to the limited resource available for patrols, however it was agreed that this would be discussed further with Mr Bryant outside of the meeting, Mr Bryant also offered assistance in lobbying MP's or Chief constables if this was appropriate.  <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>5. Concerns were raised about the Buses damaging the grass verge on the Memorial Island off Wrekin drive, WPC Nikki Scott explained this was due to 2 cars parking on the road which partly obstructs the buses entering the roundabout, the car owners are being approached to improve the situation.</li></ol>

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6. Margaret Henderson raised a concern relating to the unloading of goods vehicles at the front of the CO-OP, this was considered to be unsafe for the general public, WPC Nikki Scott agreed to contact the CO-OP Manager to resolve the issue.

Representatives from the WHT raised 1 concern

7. Vehicles going through the no entry access to Hawthorn Road.

### **Comments from the meeting**

- The WHT have noticed an increased number of requests for garages from residents, which appeared to be driven by the number of incidents, reported of criminal damage and arson in the area.
- Josie Edwards asked for clarification relating to the spike and also the trend in ASB figures reported. WPC Nikki Scott explained this was influenced by the number of incidents relating to the recent bad weather and the number of snowball throwing incidents. It was emphasised that Donnington is a priority area for targeting ASB and the overall trend is reducing thanks to the support from the various agencies in the area.

### **5a Guest Speaker John Trott from the National Census.**

John gave a brief overview of the importance of completing the census and what help is available.

#### **The information will be used for ;**

- Future planning decisions,
- Education,
- Hospitals + Health,
- Transport,
- Care for the elderly,
- Marketing for consumer services etc,

It was emphasised that the completion of the forms can be tracked to establish who has submitted their information and who requires chasing by the collectors team. After the 6<sup>th</sup> of May anyone who hasn't completed the forms will be contacted.

#### **Help available;**

Local drop in days at various locations in the area.

Help line 03000201101

Website [www.census.gov.uk](http://www.census.gov.uk)

### **5b Guest Speaker Jean Gulliver – update on the configuration of the Hospitals**

Jean outlined the progress to date, the PCT is leading the consultation to obtain views from all areas of the community, the consultation period ends March 14<sup>th</sup> 2011. The main goal is to retain the Main hospital services within the Shropshire Area.

#### **There are 4 options being considered;**

1. Do nothing and maintain services as they are- This is likely to result in services moving outside of the area.
2. Move some services from PRH to RSH and vice-versa – This is PCT's preferred option.

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3. Concentrate all services on one site - This would mean building a brand new hospital however no funds are available.
4. Concentrate major inpatient and emergency activity on one site- This would lead to an unbalanced work load across the sites and is not affordable or feasible.

Jean handed out information packs to the meeting and requested that any completed Feedback forms should be returned post or completed online by 14<sup>th</sup> March 2011.

### 6. Working Groups Update:

#### Lifelong Learning Centre: Sharon Price

It was reported that the following 5 week Taster courses are available;

Course	Time	Date
Jewellery Making	10.00-12.00	25 <sup>th</sup> March
Holiday Spanish	10.00-12.00	After Easter

#### Census

Date	Time
Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> March	9.00-3.00
Wed 30 <sup>th</sup> March	9.00-12.00
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> April	9.00- 3.00
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> April	12.00-3.00

**Bingo fundraiser** 5<sup>th</sup> April 7.00 p.m.

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#### C&YP: Maurice Kirby

##### Youth Service:

All youth clubs running well, with an influx of new members, now up to 25 attending some sessions. There are some issues of behaviour around the youth Club which is being supported by Amanda.

12 young people went on a residential to old vicarage centre at Stottesdon with activities such as Caving, joisting, zip wire and orienteering, Relationship building, Teamwork and confidence were enhanced as a result, all enjoyed the experience.

##### Play/Sports facilities:

The play area and new Ball court are now complete on Donnington Rec.

The Wrekin riders are organising a free BMX coaching session on Broadoaks track every Saturday throughout April (11.00 -12.00).

The new Skate park funding is still under discussion with the Fairshare lottery fund and a meeting with a lottery assessor is due to take place next week, unfortunately the grant application from Asda for this project was unsuccessful.

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### **Community Safety, Housing & the Environment: Nikki Scott**

1. A general improvement has been identified in resident confidence levels from 25% - 52%.
2. Temporary gate barrier now in place in alleyway between Cordingley Way and Park road.
3. The improvement in Anti-social behaviour figures was attributed to a lot of targeted work between the Police and the Wrekin Housing Trust.
4. Columbine Way issues concerning an alleyway were discussed at a recent residents meeting along with TWC, Police and Parish council, it was established that the current level of usage did not warrant temporary gating however funds have been made available to install some new barriers in the alleyway and temporary CCTV.
5. Evening PACT meetings will no longer continue due to dwindling numbers attending from the general public, also availability of resource from the Police and council staff. In future residents meetings will be arranged when there are street issues or problems, so these will occur as and when necessary.

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### **Healthy Donnington Project; Presented by Fiona Moore.**

1. Green Gym 19<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> May path improvement in Central Hall off Oakengates road contact Cliff Hallam if interested.
2. Two new Zumba classes starting Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March 'Donnington Methodist church 6-7 pm and 7.15 and 8.15pm
3. Health trainer service offering Health + Support in Donnington.
4. Why Weight sessions running at 'Donnington Methodist church free via GP referral.
5. Walk about Wrekin still going well, running on Tuesday at 10-15am starting at Asda.
6. NHS fit for men Tuesday and Thursday evening at 7pm.
7. New free Community Development and Health course starting 17<sup>th</sup> march at the Ketley Community Centre 12.30 pm -3.30pm

**Anyone interested in any of the above call 217474**

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### **Young families Groups : Nothing to report**

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### **Older People: Rose Gregory**

Rose explained that the Community Café were developing a cook book and asked for any good economical recipes to be sent to her for consideration/inclusion.

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<b>7.</b>	<b>Any other business:</b>  Jean Gulliver explained that leaflets were available for anyone who needed information or support relating to dementia.  Albert Biggs asked that we all try to encourage attendance at future meetings.  Albert Biggs also gave good news that we have now been granted charity status for the Donnington Partnership.  Albert also requested that any reports from members of the Exec meeting should be made available in advance of future meetings; this is to be raised at the next Exec meeting.
<b>8.</b>	<b>Date of Next Meeting:</b> <b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2011, 11.30am at Turreff Hall</b>

Approved by ..... Date; .....