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COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP MEETING -

11 June 2015 St. Wilfrid’s Church Hall, 6 pm to 7.30 pm.

Brief notes of the Board Meeting.

Present: Abbas Najib, Paul Bilton, Janet Millar, David Hurdus, Mazhar Ellahi, Rehana Kauser, Abdul H Ismail, Muppett, Steve,

Apologies: Marbat Hussain, Abid Zaman, Zafar Afsar, Cllr J Dodds, Meena Jeewa, Steve Skinner, Masood Gondal, Mohamed Taj.

1. **Welcome -** Abbas welcomed everyone to the meeting and in Particular the new board members.
2. **Discussions over Pending Project Proposals.**

Abdul then gave the board an update of several project proposals that were being worked on, this included – all needed further information by the task groups.

* A yoga project – some issues around costings of room hire need addressing – also need further clarification from the group over matters raised by the task groups.
* Creative Support are proposing to run computer classes for the over 50’s as are the Lidget Green Walking group, the 2 groups are to each other and it looks like they will be catering for a different cliental and on different days.
* A live at home scheme using volunteers to visit the elderly and vulnerable. - Very High management, administrative costs, training and travel costs – would we consider paying staff salary? Group to review project costs.
* An outdoor gym to be installed on the land at the back of the ambulance station on Legrams lane has been looked into, but the project proposer has been asked to look at working with the Spencer Rd. group to site it there instead.

Groups to forward more information to the task groups – if satisfied, they will then be asked to send in completed project template to be considered further.

There then followed a discussion about funding projects that required small amounts of money i.e. should they be considered by task groups or should they be considered by small grants panel. It was agreed that projects costing less than £1000 would be considered by the grants panel and those £1000 & over would be considered by the appropriate Task group.

1. **Review progress on existing Project Proposals**

Abdul then informed the board that 2 projects that the task groups and the board had approved have now got their funding sent from London and the Cheques had been sent, these were the Birks Fold Project and the Community Garden.

A discussion then took place about the Spencer Rd Playing field project around the match funding of the project. We were still waiting to receive an up-to-date quote from S. Jenks, from Bradford Council – Electricity company will not commence work until a written commitment has been given to pay the bills – Nadia from Horton Grange Primary School is arranging for a confirmation to be sent by the School - S. Jenks advised that a quote was missed off for the plastic conduits which are laid in the trench and allow the cables to be pulled through – this may or may not increase costs - Board was advised that if the total project costs go over £34,000 then the project will be brought before the Board for reconsideration – Awaiting to hear from the Police fund, Awards for All, and community chest funds.

1. **Preparation over AGM**

The date of AGM was postponed to Saturday 1st August 2015. It will be between 11 am and 1 pm and will not include a fun day as originally planned. The venue is yet to be confirmed, but inquiries of availability are being made at the Farnham Children’s Centre. St. Wilfrid, Ukrainian and Khidmat could also be considered.

The business of the AGM would be to report the progress so far by the Chairperson, introduce the new Board Members, and generally engage with the residents.

1. **Future Work programme.**

A discussion then took place about the future work programme. Abdul explained to the board that they need to start looking and thinking about the work programmes for years 3/4/5 and further ahead. Abdul also gave them a list of tasks that need to be worked upon during this current year. With this in mind it was suggested that an away day be arranged to start formalising these programmes. After a discussion the Date of Aug. 27th was agreed with Sept. 10th being the alternative date. It was suggested that Nell Bank in Ilkley be used (subject to availability). We need to consider engaging Corine to repeat the questions that she did at the original consultation, obtain feedback from residents, and incorporate them into Action Plans for the future years. She will also need to speak to the Board to have their views as to their future plans for spent as currently we have only actions plans for first two years.

Abdul mentioned that the Chair of a newly formed Big local Board in Leeds would like to meet members of the Greenmoor Board – and Sam Keighley, Big Local Representative for Keighley, would also like to meet the Board to talk about how the Board could invest the Big Local money effectively. It was suggested that both be invited to a Project Steering Committee meeting so that the Chair and any other Board members could meet them.

1. **Any other business**
* It has been noted by Rehana that the play area at the back of the Ukrainian club is not being used, so she has arranged to speak to members of the club to see if it can be accessed by the local community, she’ll report back the result of the meeting at a later date.
* Abdul informed the board that Marbat was wanting to stand down as vice chair due to work commitments. A discussion then followed about whether the post should be temporally be filled till the AGM. It was decided to leave it vacant until the AGM.
* It was proposed that Mazhar Ellahi take on the role of lead person of the Richer Not Poorer Task group, the Board agreed to this. It was also proposed that Janet Millar took to the lead for the Healthier, Happier Task group. After a quick discussion Janet agreed to take up the role and the board agreed this.
* Abbas then spoke about the board having a marketing strategy. After a lengthy discussion it was agreed that Abbas and Shiraz would work on a brief of the work to be done on it and report back to the board.
* Abbas mentioned that Naila Parvez, who works at Horton Grange Primary School may be interested in being a Board Member – Abdul to send out an application form to her.
1. **Date of next Board meeting.**

It was agreed that the July Board meeting due to take place on 27th July 2015 be cancelled as it was too close to the AGM.

1. There were no more items so Abbas thanked everyone attending and closed the meeting.