

# CALNE AREA (5) COMMITTEE

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THE PRESS AND PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THE MEETING

Minutes of the Calne Area (5) Committee Meetings held on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2006, in the Town Hall, Calne

Present: Councillor M.J. West (Chair)

**Councillors:** T.A.P. Briggs, D.J.E. Evans, G. O'Gorman and A.J.

Trotman

Other Councillors: Councillor C. Crisp.

## County/Town/Parish Council Representatives

Councillor P. Dolman
Councillor M. Wilkins
Councillor R. Aylen
Councillor E. Jones
Councillor G. Dickerson
Calne Town Council
Hilmarton Parish Council
Calne Without Parish Council
Heddington Parish Council

#### Officers Present:

M. Gilmour (Principal Community Partnership Officer), W. Oulton (Policy & Democratic Services Officer) and S. Pangbourne (Strategic Manager Corporate Services).

#### CA25. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors J.R. Ireland and N.S. Bryant.

#### CA26. Public Question/Receipt of Petitions

There were no public questions or petitions received.

#### CA27. Minutes

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Calne Area (5) Committee, circulated with the Agenda, held on 25<sup>th</sup> July 2006 were considered.

**Resolved** that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> July 2006 were confirmed as a correct record

## CA28. Chairman's Announcements (if any)

The Chairman made the following announcements:

# "(A) District Wide Awards Working

The Executive resolved on 31st August that a District Wide Awards Working Group be established to guide the Lead Member for Partnerships to allocate funding for 2006/2007, with a representative from each Area Committee being invited to joint the Group.

The Group will meet on Monday 16th October at 6pm at NWDC Offices, Monkton Park to consider the funding applications.

This is a one off Working Group that will consider applications to projects and programmes that cover more than one Community Area or the whole of the District.

## (B) Clerk Vacancy

The Parishes of Charlton, Great Somerford, Little Somerford and Oaksey are each seeking a new Parish Clerk. If anyone is interested in the vacancy or vacancies could they please contact Mark Edwards on 01249 463337.

(C) A letter of thanks had been received from Cherhill Pre-School for the award made by the Committee towards their relocation project."

#### CA29. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest made.

## CA30. Community Funding Feedback

Jill Martin gave verbal feedback to the Committee regarding the progress of the Samba band following the award made by the Calne Area (5) Committee. The award had been used to purchase equipment for the 20 members of the band. The band had been performing over the summer and had been received well.

#### CA31. Area 5 Community Area Funding Distribution 2006/2006

Consideration was given to Report No. 7, circulated with the agenda, which presented recommendations relating to 3 applications seeking funding from the 2006/2007 Community Area Award.

**Resolved** to agree funding distribution of the Area 5 Community Area Awards budget, based on the agreed criteria for 2006/2007:

Calne Without Parish Plan Steering Committee – To delegate the
decision to award £1,000 from the revenue budget, towards the
preparation of a Parish Plan, conditional on sufficient information
being provided to satisfy the officer in relation to projected costs
and on the balance of funding being in place and that the Steering

Committee be invited to present feedback to the Calne Area (5) Committee once the plan had been published.

- 2. Calne Area Initiative for an Active Community (CAIAC) Award £500 from the revenue budget, towards the running of lantern workshops across the Community Area, conditional on the balance of funding being in place.
- 3. Calne Family Action Group Award £500 from the revenue budget, towards a theatre excursion for disadvantaged young people and their families, conditional on the balance of funding being in place.

## **CA32. Community Planning Update**

Jill Martin Chairman of the Community Partnership spoke to a written update regarding the work of the Calne Community Area Partnership. A copy of the update circulated at the meeting is appended to these minutes **as Appendix 1**.

### CA33. Parish & Town Council Update

The following updates were received from the Parish & Town Council representatives:

- Calne Without Parish Council Recent planning application was still out for consultation;
- Heddington Parish Council The play area had been delayed into the New Year;
- Hilmarton Parish Council Village Hall continuing to do well;
- Cherhill Parish Council Parish Plan being progressed;
- Calne Town Council Thanked the District Council for supporting their Sport Development project and expected the Football Foundation's decision soon.

## CA34. Outside Bodies

- The following updates from representatives of Outside Bodies were received:
- Cllr D. Evans attended the last meeting of the Board of the Kennet and North Wiltshire PCT. The first meeting of the Wiltshire PCT would been on the 11/10/06;
- Cllr D. Evans stated that the Heritage Centre had had recent successful exhibitions;
- Cllr D. Evans stated that the Calne Area Transport Group were considering free travel on the Wigglybus for the festival;
- Cllr T. Briggs stated that Beversbrook Community Association would have it's AGM shortly;
- Cllr C. O'Gorman stated that mural had been completed as part of Calne Project and work on the bandstand project was ongoing.

The meeting closed 7.35 pm.

There were 5 members of the public present.

## **APPENDIX 1**



Prepared by: Jill Martin Chair Calne Community Area Partnership

Jane Vaughan Community Partnership Officer NWDC

## **Projects**

• Patford Street Old Ambulance/Fire Station – Potential for community use. In addition to the 'Listed' status of this building the Partnership feel that it is essential that it is put to good use for the benefits of the community. The partnership recognise that in addition to the initial cost of renovation/re-fit they also have to take account of the long term potential for self financing and are therefore looking at a range of options that will allow this historical building to be reinstated as one of the central community based building of the town.

*Progress*: This project has been delayed due to problems in finding a time for members of the working group to meet during the summer period. It is hoped that a meeting can be arranged in the near future.

• Lower Compton Playing Fields – Community Group trying to renovate or replace a children's play park, which has fallen into disrepair following the hand over of housing, from the MOD to a local residents committee. This project has been identified through the District Councils Community Partnership Officer and the group's article in the local press.

Progress: In an attempt to work more widely with the community through encouraging and empowering smaller community groups to organise projects and tackle their specific issues, the Partnership intends to facilitate a consultation event in the Lower Compton area. It is hoped that this will engage with the whole community and the Parish Council and will help to shape the future community use of the play area. A working group from the Partnership will shortly meet with the Residents Committee and the Parish Councillor to move this forward.



'Moviola' - Mobile Cinema -

Progress: The Partnership has supported bringing a mobile cinema to Calne Town Hall on a monthly basis. The first visit was on 20<sup>th</sup> September, with a showing of the DaVinci Code. Feedback from the event has been extremely positive, 120 tickets were sold for the first showing, which means that the project has already covered its costs. The next film to be shown will be 'Separate Lives' on 18<sup>th</sup> October. The Partnership is keen to maintain a presence at each of these events and are hoping to be able to use intervals and time before and after the films as potential consultation venues.

The success of this project represents the achievement of one of the Culture Theme milestones in the Community Area Plan.

• CAT, Research re. Transport issues – Calne Area Transport (the transport theme group of CCAP) have suggested that there is scope for the partnership to hold a seminar with regards to transport issues in the Community Area.

Progress: Calne Area Transport, with the support of the Partnership will hold a Seminar on 11<sup>th</sup> November 2006, at Marden House. This project represents an opportunity for the Partnership to gain valuable information with regards to updating the current issues and milestones identified in the Community Area Plan.

• Intergenerational Design Group -Through CAIAC, Colemans Farm Community and Learning Assoc. and the Ecalne project, the Partnership is investigating working with younger people and older people from the Colemans Farm Area to produce promotional material for all 3 groups. The main aim of this project is to address one of the partnerships main objectives: to promote a sense of community cohesion. This will be achieved through the involvement of young people and older people working together creatively, by encouraging interactions and communication, the project hopes to foster longer lasting understanding and awareness between them. (If successful it is hoped that this may be go on to involve other groups of people in similar work)

**Progress: Ongoing** 

- Following a successful application to Awards for All, this project is now in a position to move forward. A meeting will be held this week designed to bring together the key groups who will be involved in the project and to identify an action plan.



• **Community Database** – The full Partnership have identified the need to update the current database.

Progress: The steering group has discussed the best way to implement this piece of work and are concerned to make it a sustainable piece of work. The Partnership administrator is going to work alongside a champion of the 'education and lifelong learning' theme group to take this forward. (In the absence of the administrator, this piece of work is currently on hold).

• **Develop a website presence on the Internet** – The steering group aims to develop its own website, but in the short term have identified a need to have a presence on the free Wiltshire Community Website as soon as possible.

Progress: The Partnership administrator and Chair are working together on the initial phase of this piece of work. (In the absence of the administrator, this piece of work is currently on hold).

## The Partnership/Steering Group.

 The Chair and Vice-Chair of the Partnership attended the introductory session to the training and development programme that has been offered by NWDC's Partnership Development Officer and Community First. They are now in the process of identifying 8 volunteers from the steering group to attend the first development day on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November.

This activity provides an opportunity to bring new skills to the Partnership and to meet and form links with other Community Partnerships in the District.

#### Resources

- Working group reformed to revisit Patford Street Project.
- Working group established to compile new community groups list.
- Working group established to start work on website
- Working group established to assist with facilitating consultation event at Lower Compton Play Park group.
- Volunteers required to attend Development and Training event at NWDC.



#### Other Issues:

• White Horse Leisure Centre:

The Calne Community Area Partnership continues to be aware of concern amongst the whole community with regard to the future of the White Horse Leisure Centre. The Partnership has been unable to ascertain any information concerning this matter from the District Council, understands that it may not be possible to release information at the present time. The Partnership would urge North Wiltshire District Council to be as transparent with the community as it can be at the earliest opportunity.

- The next meeting of the steering group 31<sup>st</sup> October 2006
- The next meeting of the full partnership 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2007