

WEST WILTSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES

Minutes of the: **WESTBURY AREA SEMINAR**

Held on: **WEDNESDAY 30 JANUARY 2008**

Held in: **THE LAVERTON, WESTBURY**

Present:

District Council
Representatives: Cllrs Denison-Pender, Ezra, Jenkins and King

County Council
Representatives: Cllr de Re-Philippe

Town Council
Representative: Cllr Hawkins

Parish Council
Representatives: Francis Morland - Dilton Marsh
Frank Brine - Heywood

Community Area
Partnership
Representative:

Parish Cluster
Representative:

Also in attendance:

Officers: Jacky Nicholas - Community Development Officer
Kevin Fielding – Democratic Support Officers

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Cllr Sue Ezra was elected Chairman of the Westbury Area Seminar.

2. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

Cllr Georgie Denison-Pender was appointed Vice-Chairman of the Westbury Area Seminar.

3. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Conley and Swabey.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

5. MINUTES

The minutes of the last meeting held on 26 July 2007 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN

None

7. OUTCOME OF ITEMS REFERRED TO CABINET

None

8. UPDATES FROM LAST WESTBURY AREA SEMINAR

None

9. REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

- a) Noted
- b) Reports from Representatives on Outside Bodies.

Westbury CCTV Partnership - Cllr Denison-Pender advised the Seminar that a mobile cctv camera was now being operated within the vicinity of Westbury church yard.

West Wiltshire Housing Society Board – Cllr King advised the Seminar that from the 1 March 2008 the Society will change its name to the Selwood Housing Association, and that a press launch was being arranged to publicise the change.

10. UPDATE FROM MEMBER REPRESENTATIVES ON THEME GROUPS

The Community Development Officer gave an overview to the seminar and reassured Members that she would ensure that Members received invitations to all relevant meetings etc that they were involved with through the Community Area Partnership.

11. MATTERS THAT THE WHITEHORSE AREA ACTION GROUP (WAAG) WISH TO RAISE

None

12. SMALL GRANTS AWARDED

The Community Development Officer gave the Seminar an overview of how small grants were awarded to local groups and who had received them within the Westbury area.

See attached sheet – Westbury Area Small Grants 2007-08

13. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICERS UPDATE

Jacky Nicholas updated Members on the work that she had been undertaking, she outlined her main role which is to support WWDC Members in their community leadership role, Members were informed that she would be happy to meet with any Member to discuss this.

14. NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING TEAMS UPDATE

The Community Development Officer advised the Seminar that PC Nick Holt a community beat manager covering the Westbury area was unable to attend the Seminar to update Members on Neighbourhood Policing matters due to operational commitments.

It was decided that Members would like a written report covering Neighbourhood Policing issues to be available at future Seminars if a Police representative was unable to attend.

15. REPORT ON REVIEW OF AREA SEMINARS

The Community Development Officer advised the Seminar that some interesting points had come through from the returned questionnaires, but that events had been largely overtaken now with the Unitary Council proposal looking likely to become reality and with the introduction of Community Area Boards.

16. ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE REFERRAL TO CABINET

None

17. MATTERS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

A written report covering Neighbourhood Policing issues to be available at future Seminars if a Police representative is unable to attend.

18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

To be arranged

(7.00pm – 8.05pm)

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