

# Tottenham and Seven Sisters Area Forum and Committee

Date: Tuesday, 6th September, 2011

Time: \*6.30 pm - 9.30pm

Venue: Gold Room, Tottenham Green Leisure Centre, 1 Phillip Lane,

London, N15 4JA

\*Officers from the Council's Streetscene Team and the local Police Safer Neighbourhood Teams will be available from <u>6.00pm until 6.30pm</u> to discuss issues of concern to local residents.

#### Members of the Area Forum/Committee:

Councillor Isidoros Diakides (Chair), Councillor Dhiren Basu, Councillor Joe Goldberg, Councillor Claire Kober, Councillor Lorna Reith, Councillor Reg Rice, Councillor Alan Stanton, Councillor Bernice Vanier and Councillor Richard Watson.

#### AREA FORUM (from 6.30pm)

#### 1) Introduction and Welcome (6.30pm – 6.35pm)

The Chair will provide an overview of the items on the agenda and how the Area Forum and Committee will proceed.

#### 2) Recent Disturbances in Tottenham (6.35pm – 7.15pm)

The serious public disorder that recently took place in Tottenham and across London has been a great shock and upset to all. Working together we have begun the recovery of our area. It is important that we talk about:

- What happened
- Why it happened
- How we should move forward

This meeting is an opportunity for you to discuss recent events with the Council and Police.

We want to hear from you and use what you say to inform the next steps.

#### 3) Anti Social Behaviour (7.15pm – 7.30pm)

There will be an opportunity for residents to raise general issues of concern with respect to antisocial behaviour experienced in the local area.

#### 4) Area Committee Plan (7.30pm – 7.50pm)

Claire Kowalska – Frontline Services – will provide a summary of existing area profile and residents will be invited to input into current priorities.

#### There will be a break from 7.50pm - 8.00pm

#### **AREA COMMITTEE (from 8.00pm)**

#### 1. APOLOGIES

To receive any apologies for absence.

#### 2. URGENT BUSINESS

The Chair will consider the admission of any items of Urgent Business. (Late items of Urgent Business will be considered under the agenda item where they appear. New items of Urgent Business will be considered under agenda Item 9 below).

#### 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

A member with a personal interest in a matter who attends a meeting of the authority at which the matter is considered must disclose to that meeting the existence and nature of that interest at the commencement of that consideration, or when the interest becomes apparent.

A member with a personal interest in a matter also has a prejudicial interest in that matter if the interest is one which a member of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts would reasonably regard as so significant that it is likely to prejudice the member's judgment of the public interest **and** if this interest affects their financial position or the financial position of a person or body as described in paragraph 8 of the Code of Conduct **and/or** if it relates to the determining of any approval, consent, license, permission or registration in relation to them or any person or body described in paragraph 8 of the Code of Conduct.

#### 4. MINUTES

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 23 June 2011 as a correct record.

#### 5. MAKING THE DIFFERENCE FUNDING

Report of Director of Place and Sustainability - to receive and consider applications received for funding. **REPORT TO FOLLOW** 

#### 6. AREA PROFILE

Report of Director of Place and Sustainability – to agree the key priorities that will form the Area Committee Action Plan, which will be considered in January 2012. **REPORT TO FOLLOW** 

### 7. PROPOSALS FOR THE USE OF ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE REPAIR OF POTHOLES

Report of Director of Place and Sustainability - to consider proposals with respect to the use of additional funding for the repair of pot holes. **REPORT TO FOLLOW** 

#### 8. TOTTENHAM TOWN HALL - USE OF SECTION 106 CONTRIBUTIONS

To discuss the use of Section 106 contributions received with respect to Tottenham Town Hall.

#### 9. NEW ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

To consider the admission of any new items of Urgent Business admitted under Item 2 above.

#### 10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

To discuss future agenda items and to note the dates of future meetings set out below:

- ➤ 6pm, 10 January 2012, Bernie Grant Arts Centre, Tottenham Town Hall Approach Road, London, N15 4RX
- > 6pm, 27 March 2012, Tottenham Chances, 399 High Road, London, N17 6QN

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# Page 1 Agenda Item 4 MINUTES OF THE TOTTENHAM AND SEVEN SISTERS AREA FORUM AND COMMITTEE THURSDAY, 23 JUNE 2011

Present: Councillor Diakides (Chair), Councillor Goldberg, Councillor Kober,

Councillor Reith, Councillor Rice, Councillor Watson, Councillor

Vanier.

In Attendance:

Xanthe Barker, Emma Cahillane, Judith Comrie, Joan Hancox, Christopher Joannou, Graham Jones, Claire Kowalska, Stephen

McDonnell, Julie Parker, Doug Taylor.

MINUTE NO.	SUBJECT/DECISION	ACTON BY
OBCB01.	APOLOGIES	
	Apologies were received from Councillor Alan Stanton.	
OBCB02.	URGENT BUSINESS	
	There were no items of Urgent Business.	
OBCB03.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	
	There were no declarations of interest made.	
OBCB04.	TERMS OF REFERENCE	
	RESOLVED:	
	That the Terms of Reference be adopted.	
OBCB05.	THE NEW ENVIRONMENTAL WASTE CONTRACT WITH VEOLIA	
	The Committee discussed the issues raised during the Area Forum with regard to the new Waste Management Contract (WMC) with Veolia.	
	Members agreed with concerns raised during the Forum that there had been teething problems at the start of the new WMC. It was suggested that the willingness of local residents to meet with representatives from Veolia to discuss issues should be utilised and that a dedicated session should be arranged to facilitate this and to consider the feasibility of establishing a standing Advisory Panel of interested local residents and traders (akin to the regular Ward Panels of the Safer Neighbourhoods Teams).	Stephen McDonnell
	It was proposed that this should meet on a quarterly basis and include the Veolia Village manager, ward Councillors and relevant waste management staff.	
	There was agreement that measures to improve education and promote behavioural change would form an important part of the overall approach to waste management. It was suggested that work with residents and	

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business owners to improve understanding of what could be left on the kerbside for collection, particularly in communities where English may not be many people's first language, would be useful.

It was noted that there were fly tipping hotspots in parts of the Borough including Monument Way and the Committee was advised that an Action Plan was being compiled and that this would be brought back the Committee for discussion.

Officers advised that the Single Frontline Service (SFS) offer would provide a focus on changing behaviour through education; however, where there were persistent instances of this enforcement action would be taken.

All to note

In response to concerns raised with regard to the timely collection of purple waste bags the Committee was advised that arrangements around this had been revised in order to minimise the time that they were left on the kerbside.

There was agreement that 'walkabout' sessions with Local Ward Members provided a good way of drawing local issues to the attention of the contractor and the Chair requested that the SFS arranged walkabout sessions with local Ward Members and volunteers who had expressed an interest in participating.

Stephen McDonnell / Graham Jones

There was agreement that whilst there had been issues at the start of the contract, particularly in some of the Borough's larger estates, Veolia and the Council were aware of these and were working together to resolve them. Although this was an ongoing process the Committee agreed that visible improvements had been made in terms of street cleaning.

In response to concerns that there was a lack of communication between Veolia employees with regard to the reporting of fly tipping the Committee was advised that waste operatives were being briefed on the need to report issues such as this in a coordinated way. It was noted that agency staff had initially been used during weekend periods and that this had led to some communication difficulties.

Clarity was sought with regard to fortnightly waste collections and the Committee was advised that there would continue to be a weekly collection of all recyclable waste. Fortnightly collections of non recyclable waste would be introduced as part of a pilot in Muswell Hill and the lessons learnt from this would be considered before the implementation of later phases. These arrangements would not apply to people living in flats above shops or estates.

It was contended that in areas of the Borough where recycling rates were low this approach would lead to a build up of waste and it was suggested that further work to raise recycling rates was required in these areas in order for fortnightly collections to be successful.

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In response to a query with regard to the Low Carbon Zone in Muswell Hill it was noted that the Council had nominated the area to participate in the pilot on the basis that there were already excellent rates of recycling in the area and therefore the targets were likely to be achieved.

It was acknowledged that education was important and there was agreement that the Area Committee Plan, which would be considered at the next meeting, should make reference to the measures that would be put in place to promote and educate people about recycling.

Claire Kowalska

#### **RESOLVED:**

- i. That the Single Frontline Service should arrange, in consultation with the Chair, walkabout sessions with local Ward Members and volunteers who had expressed an interest in participating.
- ii. That the Area Committee Plan should make reference to the measures that would be put in place to promote and educate people about recycling.
- iii. That a dedicated session with residents should be organised as part of the consultation process.
- iv. The feasibility of establishing a standing advisory panel of interested local residents and traders be explored further

Stephen McDonnell

Claire Kowalska

Stephen McDonnell / Veolia

#### OBCB06. AREA COMMITTEE PLAN

The Committee was given an overview of the proposed approach, initial content, timescale and consultation arrangements with regard to developing the Area Committee Plan (ACP)

In terms for the timetable for establishing the ACPs the Committee was advised that the following stages would be followed:

- Preparation of area profiles July / August
- Presentation to Area Committees of headline data / area profiles and proposals with respect to prioritisation – <u>September</u>
- Preparation of draft ACP for each area and consultation October / December
- Sign off by Area Committees January / February

Once adopted the ACPs would be formally refreshed on an annual basis with updated data being added on a rolling basis.

The Committee was advised that the Area Profile would initially capture data under the following areas:

- Economic Wellbeing
- Culture and Leisure
- > Environment
- Education and Lifelong Learning
- Housing
- Community Safety
- Transport and Access

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- > Health and Social Wellbeing
- People and Places

The Committee was advised that views from residents and Ward Members would be essential in providing a local focus to the ACPs and that Enablement Officers from the Frontline Service would be working with Members to gather local information.

The Chair advised that he would circulate a briefing note on the ACPs to members of the public that had left their contact details. Officers were asked to circulate a briefing note to the Committee setting out in more detail how priorities would be identified and process for compiling the ACP.

#### **RESOLVED:**

i. That a briefing note, set out above, should be circulated to the Committee and to interested members of the public

ii. That the area profiles and draft proposals with respect to the Area Committee Plan should be brought to the Committee at its next meeting.

Claire Kowalska

Claire Kowalska

#### **OBCB07. POT HOLE REPAIR FUNDING**

The Committee discussed the funding made available for pot hole repairs and how this might be prioritised.

Specific concerns were raised by Members with regard to Lansdowne Road and the damage caused by buses and the repairs carried out by Thames Water. Concern was also raised around the use by lorries and other HGVs of Mansfield Avenue as a short cut for traffic.

In response to a query it was noted that the Council liaised with the utility companies and lobbied them to coordinate works in order to minimise disruption. It also rigorously enforced penalties where works caused damage to roads and pavements. However, it was often difficult to compel them to deviate from their planned programme of works and it was recognised that this caused disruption.

There was discussion with regard to the planned maintenance of roads and how the Council might alter its approach to dealing with pot holes in a way that would represent better value for money. The Committee was advised that as part of all contracts the quality of initial work and repairs was monitored and that the Council had a four year rolling programme of works that encompassed all roads in the Borough.

There was a general consensus that officers should draft a list of proposals for the use of the money allocated to the Area Committee for pothole repairs and that these should reflect the comments made by residents and Councillors.

#### **RESOLVED:**

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	That proposals, reflecting the discussion above, should be brought back to the Committee at its next meeting with regard to how the money should be allocated.	Joan Hancox
OBCB08.	FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS	
	The following topics were suggested for future meetings:	
	<ul> <li>Planning Policies for the area</li> <li>Regeneration &amp; Cultural Industries</li> <li>Anti Social Behaviour (to include a representative from Homes for Haringey)</li> </ul>	
	In terms of the structure of the meeting there was agreement that more time should be given over to the Forum part of the meeting and that one issue should be focussed on.	
OBCB09.	DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS AND VENUES	
	There was agreement that consideration should be given to holding the meeting at venue within one of the other Wards; however, it was noted that Tottenham Green Leisure Centre and other community buildings in the vicinity had excellent links to public transport and that any alternative venue would need to be accessible.	
	The dates of future meetings, set out below, were noted:	All to note
	<ul> <li>6 September 2011</li> <li>10 January 2012</li> <li>27 March 2012</li> </ul>	
OBCB10.	ANY OTHER BUSINESS	
	There were no items of AOB.	
The meet	ing closed at 9.35pm.	

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Chair	

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#### Tottenham & Seven Sisters Area Committee

6<sup>th</sup> September 2011

Report Title: Making the Difference Bids

Report of: Stephen McDonnell, Asst Director Frontline Services

Signed:

Contact Officer: Claire Kowalska, Community Safety and Engagement Manager

Wards(s) affected: Tottenham Hale, Tottenham Green, Seven Sisters Report for: Non-key

#### 1. Purpose of the report (That is, the decision required)

1.1. To agree the recommendation for the release of funding under the Making a Difference fund as per Appendix 2 attached - subject to final submissions by bidders to accommodate the suggested amendments to the original bids.

#### 2. Introduction by Cabinet Member (if necessary)

2.1 The 'Making the Difference' fund is established to help improve the quality of the local environment and lives of local residents, promoting a lasting impact where possible. A total of £25,000 has been allocated to each of the 7 Committee areas and applications have been invited from recognised or constituted groups. The deadline for receipt of applications was 23 August and there has now been an evaluation process and those applications that meet the criteria will be considered and agreed by each of the 7 Area Committees in the September round of meetings. All projects will be delivered and accounted for within the financial year ending March, with a maximum of £5,000 being given to any individual project.

#### 3. State link(s) with Council Plan Priorities and actions and /or other Strategies:

3.1. The application criteria drew a link between the 5 Rethinking Haringey themes and these, in turn, sit above a myriad of Council and partnership policies and strategies

#### 4. Recommendations

- 4.1. To approve in principle the proposed sums to be awarded as listed on Appendix
  - 2. The money must be spent within the current financial year

#### 5. Reason for recommendation(s)

5.1. This recommendation is based on a short-listing and scoring exercise by the relevant Committee Members

#### 6. Other options considered

6.1. None

#### 7. Summary

7.1. It is common practice for a community fund to be available for small, local projects to support engagement and involvement by residents and their associations. A further purpose is also to highlight local issues and to stimulate problem solving. This follows many years in Haringey of the Making the Difference Budget Fund. However, it has been stated that this is likely to be the final year of such funding due to resource constraints.

#### 8. Chief Financial Officer Comments

8.1 A budget of £25,000 has been identified for each Area Committee as part of the 2011-12 budget process. At this point there is no guarantee this budget will continue past 2011-12 and so projects identified should avoid committing the Council to expenditure beyond this year. Any expenditure will also need to comply with existing Council contract standing orders that specify that 3 quotations are required if spend is to exceed £5k."

#### 9. Head of Legal Services Comments

9.1. The protocol covering Area Committees which is incorporated into the Council's Constitution makes it clear that the Area Committees shall be responsible for administering this fund within their respective areas.

# 10. Head of Procurement Comments –[ Required for Procurement Committee] N/A

#### 11. Equalities & Community Cohesion Comments

11.1. Committee Members have given due attention to allocating resources according to local need

#### 12. Consultation

12.1. There has been some consultation with the Voluntary and Community Sector Team, where necessary, to check that bidding groups are recognised or constituted

#### 13. Service Financial Comments

13.1. There is a clearly identified budget for this project which is allocated to and overseen by Frontline Services

#### 14. Use of appendices /Tables and photographs

- 14.1. App. 1 Bid application criteria
- 14.2. App 2 Short-listing form

#### 15. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

15.1. Localism Bill 2010



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Application Number	Name of Organisation or Group	Project Title/ Description	Total Amount Requested
1.	The Paralegal Charity	Tackling poverty and low incomes by providing community regeneration etc	£3900
2.	Clyde Area RA	Running costs for AR	£500
3.	Friends of Markfield Park	Extending the sports facilities in Markfield Park	£4749
4.	Lemuel Findlay Supplementary School	Managing conflict – physical and mental	£1130
5.	Living Under One Sun	A green oven	£5690
6.	Sophia House and Talbot Close RA	Silver Surfers Project	£2000
7.	HAIL	Tiverton Community Allotments	£4000
8.	Esqua Creative STUDIO 4	Broadwater Farm Culture Gems	£2985
9.	Latimer House Residents Association	Silver Surfing Digital Inclusion Project	£1679
10.	Protheroe House	Day trip to seaside	£1000

	Residents Association		1
11.	Stonebridge Road Tenants Association	IT to enable service users to access internet	£1950
12.	Latimer House Residents Association	Silver surfers inclusion project	£1680
13.	Latimer House Tenants Association	Computer club for residents	£1000
14	Vatry Community Residents Group	Vatry community growing	£3464
15	The Golden Jubilee Club	General well being club	£4000
16	BTCV Haringey	To enhance green space	£2000
17	Markfield	Volunteering mentoring scheme	£4282
18	Dream UK	Sounds of success radio	£1980
19	Iranian Welfare Association	Community development – employment and healthy living	£5000
20	Avenue Orchard Community Gardens	Creative connected communities are thriving neighbourhoods	£2,100
21	Redemption Church of God	Reaching out to kids	£5000
22	Clyde Area Residents Association	Leaflets and info Sharing	- s
23	Young at Heart	Young at Heart project	£1680
24	Languages Network LTD	Cohesion in the Community	£4974

### Appendix 2

Application	Comments	Proposed Sum to be Awarded
1	Rejected	20
2	Rejected	£0
3*	A total amount for the two projects of £5000 was agreed (to be shared with 16)	£5000
4	Rejected	20
5	Reduced sum to be awarded	£2500
6+	A total amount of £4000 to be shared between three applications: 6, 9 and11	£4000
7	Reduced sum to be awarded	£1000
8	Rejected	20
9 +	+	£0 .
10	Reduced sum to be awarded	£800
11 +	+	£0
12	Duplicate – take out	£0
13	Duplicate – take out	£0
14	Reduced sum to be awarded	£2000
15	Reduced sum to be awarded	£1000
16*	£5000 to be shared with 3	£0
17	Rejected	£0
18	Rejected	£0
19	Rejected	20

20	Reduced sum to be awarded	£1000
21	Rejected	50
22	Reduced sum for trees to be awarded. Contribution towards running costs not accepted.	£750
23	Reduced sum to be awarded (young at heart)	£1500
24	Rejected (language scheme to provide ESOL classes)	£0

TOTAL: £19550

REMAINING: £5450

<sup>\* 3</sup> and 16 – to share £5000 +6, 9 and 11 – to share £4000