

DT11 Forum minutes

Date : 11th February 2009

Venue: Pimperne Village Hall

Apologies: Steve Adamson, Bob Kempson, Carrie Lewis, Peter Slocombe, Hilary Ritchie, Jennie Rake, Doc Addison, Pat Parker, Chris Tomlinson, Graham Colls, Dave Aitchison, Nessa Hicklish, Chris Whitfeld, Ken Reynolds.

Attending: Bob Brannigan, Susan Bennett, Barrie Cooper, Nigel Thompson, M Jones, Graham Rains, Scott Norman, Keith Yarwood, Benita Denny, Jill Bryant, Mick Wills, Julie-Ann Foster, Peter Webb, Brian Anderson, Dave Astin, Joseph Hickish, Ian Watson, Ginny Rottenburg.

Resignation:

Guests:

In Attendance: Jo Rose (Community Development Worker), Pauline Figg (Admin Assistant)

Agenda item	Discussion points	Action
2. Questions from the floor	Mick Wills from The Blandford School offered printing, use of IT equipment and design services to all present at the Forum meeting. As a gesture to the community these services will be free of charge. Anyone who wishes to use these facilities can contact Mick on 01258 451121. Mike agreed that the partnership can use the IT and printing facilities to produce the Community Strategic Plan. The Forum would like to thank Mick and The Blandford School for this great offer.	Mike Wills 01258 451121
3. Minutes of the meeting held on 15 th December 2008	Action - Logo agreed - Jo Rose explained the 4 elements to the new logo. The logos and letterheads were passed around during the meeting so that all the Forum members could agree on the changes. It was agreed to proceed with the new logos as presented.	

	Minutes approved by Brian Anderson and seconded by Graham Rains	
4. Matters arising, not dealt with elsewhere on the agenda	None	
5. Chairman and development workers reports	<p>Jo Rose explained the Blandford Forum Town Council press release which was handed out at the meeting. Phase 3a of the Badbury Heights development in Blandford Forum started in February 2008. Intended community infrastructure for this phase was a site for a community hall, 4 areas of public open space and 3 play areas. The Town Council has reviewed the business case for a hall in this part of the town and decided that it is not viable or sustainable to proceed with the project. It has reached this difficult decision based on matters associated with the build cost and future viability of the hall. The Council remains committed to delivering the public open space and play areas within the development as soon as they become the legal owners of the public land areas. Therefore an amount of £250,000 is now available to spend in the DT11 area on projects which will meet the liveability criteria, these details will need to be in by the end of the April. Support from the community partnership will be needed to take this forward. If you need further details regarding this please contact Jo Rose. Jo is hoping many good projects in the area will benefit from this.</p> <p>Peter Webb stated any project which has already got funding is a good project to apply for this fund.</p> <p>Jo Rose reminded everyone that there is still £57,000 left in the grassroots fund which needs to be spent. If money not spent it will go back to the Government.</p> <p>Dorset Strategic Partnership Funding - Voluntary groups in North Dorset with community projects in mind but who lack the funding have been thrown a lifeline by the Dorset Strategic Partnership (DSP) which has £25,000 to give away this spring. Applications are available from the DT11 Forum office. Deadline for applications is 1 March 2009 and grants</p>	Jo Rose

	<p>need to be fully spent by 31 March 2010.</p> <p>Launch of the sowing seeds local action group will take place at 18:30 on the 23th Feb 2009. This will give access to £2.5 million.</p> <p>Jo Rose invited all partners to the Community Partnership presentation evening which is taking place on Wednesday 18 March 2009 at 6.30 pm - 9.00pm at The Exchange, Sturminster Newton. It is an evening to celebrate and hear about what we have achieved in the last year and presentation to the successful local groups of their small grant funding from Dorset Strategic Partnership.</p>	
6. Finance report	Balance at bank as at 10 th February 2009 £6964.12.	
7. Reports from the Projects working groups		
Stourpaine Bridge	<p>Scott Norman - Keith Yarwood and Scott Norman's meeting with the Environment Agency went very well. They also had meetings with the Trailway group and Sustrans. An expression of interest was made through Sustrans for £160,000. The access to and land purchase of the adjoining land will be a commercial decision at the end of the day. Angus Campbell will be contacting the farmers involved to see what they want in order for the project to go ahead.</p> <p>Jo would like to thank Scott Norman for all his help with this matter.</p> <p>Additional funding will be needed from elsewhere.</p> <p>Scott Norman would like North Dorset be made aware of Angus Campbell's efforts and help him where possible.</p> <p>It is proposed to hold a barbecue on the 21st June up on Stour Meadows.</p>	<p>Scott Norman Keith Yarwood</p>

Stour Meadows	The plan is to make the area more an accessible space with the support of Kevin Morris the Environment Manager at North Dorset District Council. The forum will need to consult with the public with regards to this project.	Steve Adamson
Climate Change	Carrie Lewis sends her apologies. We need to raise the profile of climate change and have an environment green day maybe in July.	
Website	The new logo was agreed at this meeting which now can be entered on the website, once this process has been completed the website should be ready to go live. Jo Rose would like to thank Doc Addison and Marilyn Peddle for all there hard work with regards to the website	Jo Rose
Arts	The Arts group is researching sites which would be useful for this purpose. A meeting will be held at a later date for people interested in getting involved.	Keith Yarwood
Blandford Leisure Centre Action Group	No updates available due to the last meeting being called off because of the snow.	
8. DT11 Forum Management policies	Jo received no comments on these documents. Propose all 3 ratified. Approved by Scott Norman and seconded by Susan Bennett and Dave Astin. Accepted by this forum.	
Data Protection		
Child and Young People Protection		
Equal Opportunities		
9. DT11 Forum Ltd and Terms of Reference	Company set up by Blanchards. Three volunteers to stand forward Chris Whitfeld, Peter Slocombe and Scott Norman, gives us a directorate of 4 due to the Chair of DT11 taking on a director role. There will always be an opportunity to add new directors. There will be a separate AGM for the Company and for the Forum. Dorset Strategic Partnership set up by legislation. Clarify the role of the Community Development worker and	

	DT11 Forum. DT11 can choose its own direction and will have a bridge into the Dorset Strategic Partnership. Peter Webb will write a document regarding this matter.	
10. AGM	Papers will go out end of March for Chair, Vice Chair and Treasurer.	
11. Any other business	<p>Julie Ann Foster - Signpost do put money into the community directly by the tenants forum and there is a small fund of money which will benefit the local community. Liz Baker at Signpost will have application forms to send out for these funds.</p> <p>Moving into recession Signpost Housing and North Dorset District Council are pulling together local people to help the community through the current recession. They hope to produce a leaflet and draw up an action plan to the current situation.</p> <p>Dorset Popp - Exploratory meeting was held at Blandford in January (over 70 attending) formed a steering group whose first meeting is tomorrow night the 12th February 2009.</p> <p>Scott Norman - Trailway looking at having an event in the Summer on the Stour Meadow this could be a joint event with the Environment group. The Brewery will need to be consulted.</p> <p>Dave Astin would like to thank Pauline for the glossary.</p>	
12. Date of next meeting	AGM Tuesday 28 th April 2009 at Cedar Hall Charlton Marshall	