

Henley & Studley Community Forum Notes
7th July 2011
Dorothea Mitchell Hall

A total of 51 people attended

The chair, Cllr Stephen Thirlwell welcomed everyone to the meeting and has decided to stand down as Chairman of the Forum meetings.

Election of Chair

Proposed Cllr Thirlwell that Cllr Justin Kerridge be elected as Chair ,**seconded** Cllr Mattheou. Cllr Kerridge elected as Chair.

Election of Vice Chair

Proposed Cllr Kerridge, **seconded** Cllr Mattheou that Cllr Peter Oakley be elected as Vice Chair.

Cllr Thirlwell agreed to continue chairing this Forum meeting.

Local Policing update

Presentation by Sgt Bob Shaw including an update on the three priorities agreed at the last Community Forum which were:

- Anti- Social behaviour in Millennium Park area and also along Pool Road close to Leisure Centre.
- Dangerous parking along Pool Road, Studley, particular in relation to school traffic.
- Speeding cars along the built up area of Mayswood Road, Wootton Wawen.

Issues put forward and to be voted on for the next Forum meeting:

- Parking issues JPH Autos (at present subject to planning enforcement notice with owners and operator)
- Speeding A4189
- Anti Social Behaviour Crooks Lane, Studley after 1.30am.
- Speeding and improvements to Mayswood Road at junction with A3400 to slow traffic down.
- Speeding, Bromsgrove Road, Studley
- Speeding through Claverdon
- Burglary – Henley, Wootton Wawen

Petition and photos presented to the Forum concerning traffic and speeding problems, Forshaw Heath, Earlswood. Problem with signage at roundabout junction. Would like to see weight restriction on the road, but this would affect local businesses.

Action Cllr Perry

‘Operation Crunch’ has been in force and has made a difference.

Query concerning Alcohol Restriction Zone in Studley – Confirmation from PC Bennett that it is not time limited.

Dispersal Zone in Studley has expired. For reinstatement need to ascertain if it is justified.

Not designed as a permanent deterrent. Will look at evidence every 6 months to see if it is

required.

Double yellow lines in Pool Road missing. WCC issue as they need to be reinstated.

Further information www.safer-neighbourhoods.co.uk/an

You Said We Did

The You Said We did presentation is on our website

www.warwickshire.gov.uk/communityforums

Parking in Henley – Multi- partner approach to continuing problem.

- Various suggestions concerning parking outside One Stop but as a conservation area unable to carry out. Perhaps need to start booking people or supply parking provision.
- Width of the road an issue. Not enough room for delivery lorries. Difficult to get the right balance.
- Exhaustive surveys carried out and Somerfield approached to vary deliveries but that would cause anti-social problems for residents especially in the early morning.
- Only solution to put in a loading bay for deliveries only so no one can park and then can issue an instant parking ticket. Yvette Widdowfield (SDC) could take the issue forward but Henley would have to pay.
- Jonathan Simkins (WCC) would hesitate in recommending a loading bay unless levels of enforcement are stepped up as could lead to having the expense of a public enquiry if objections were raised.
- Parking tickets can only be issued by SDC employees, cannot be delegated to local level
- Cllr Perry will speak to representatives after the meeting to see if a resolution can be reached.
- Lots of problems throughout the District concerning parking especially around schools
- Query from the floor concerning parking officers and if they are fairly employed throughout the district and not just in Stratford. Yvette confirmed they have 17 staff and 12 on duty at any one time. Require details of how many hours are spent in rural areas?

Action: Report for next meeting

Public Sector Budget update

Library Review – Steve Smith

Consultation now concluded together with Public meetings and Roadshows. Should have gone to cabinet on 14th July but period has been extended as all libraries earmarked for closure have submitted bids. Looking at all bids to see which ones are viable. Decision due in October. Libraries will continue to operate until resolved.

Discovered at a recent workshop that other local authorities were offering grants towards running costs of libraries. Will not be happening in this financial year.

Both Henley and Studley in the same situation. Other grants are available. S106 money will find its way to Community run libraries. Too early to say what will happen at Cabinet.

Transformation of Youth Service – Rob Townsend

Youth Service has had much public support and money has been put back into the service. 32 youth centres have gone out to see if they will be run by the Community. All buildings have

received expressions of interest.

Studley is being kept as a 'Centre of Excellence' Basing people there and looking at early intervention.

Henley High School has expressed an interest with a strong bid from War Memorial Trust.

There are a number of premises and land but now need a business case which will take place during the summer. Very pleased with outcome.

Will lose staff and about 50% of part time staff. Staff has already left and there has been a recruitment freeze.

Feel that Society will regret the decision being made to close youth centres. They are a 'soft target'.

Police Authority – Bob Malloy

Copy of the presentation is available to view on our website.

NHS Warwickshire – Manoj Sanghera

NHS has launched Warwickshire Healthline available 24 hours a day, seven days a week – 0300 247 111

Arden Cluster Chief Executive Stephen Jones has announced his new executive team who will lead the cluster as it transfers responsibility of healthcare commissioning to GPs

A report published by the Health Protection Agency revealed young and middle aged adults were worst affected by flu last winter.

NHS Public Health annual report to be published soon and can be found on Warwickshire NHS website.

Parking charges at University Hospitals of Coventry and Warwickshire have reduced the cost of car parking and for certain patients it will be free.

Further details on the Briefing paper available on our website.

SDC & Place Survey update – Lizzie Price

On 28th February Council Tax frozen by SDC Band D £129.34 which is the lowest in Warwickshire.

Results of questionnaire received, completed by 321 from Henley/ Studley area. Further details can be found on our website .

VASA briefing report

Currently undergoing structural review to determine best use of resources.

Continue to provide funding advice and support free of charge. The centre continues to be very busy registering around 40 new volunteers each month and providing advice.

Pleased to confirm receiving part funding from WCC this year for Volunteer Community Transport

Community Links funding this year is secure but mindful of future funding issues

4 Wheelchairs have been recently donated bringing the total available to 60.

Further details can be found on our website.

Have Your Say

- Road Safety concerns The Green, Claverdon regarding road layout, signage. Used as a 'rat run'. Major issue as used by School children etc. Petition passed to the Chair Stephen Thirlwell.

Action Stephen Thirlwell

- Petition passed to the Chair, various issues concerning Studley

Action Stephen Thirlwell

- Air Quality report for Studley will be issued soon.
- A448, Bromsgrove Road, Studley – two recent fatalities. Need to make the junction safer.

Action WCC

- Petition from Cllr Horner concerning the state of a pavement in Claverdon on the way to Warwick.

Action Cllr Perry

Priorities for the next Community Forum

After voting the following priorities were agreed:

- Burglary – Claverdon, Henley, Wootton Wawen – 12 patrols
- Speeding & improvements to Mayswood Road/ A3400 junction & improvements to slow traffic down.
- Speeding checks A4189 through Claverdon

Information Sharing

- Studley Total Place project update postponed until next meeting as well as Straw Poll.

Date and Venues of Future meetings:

Thursday 6th October 2011 from 6.30pm Wootton Wawen Village Hall

Thursday 22nd March 2012 Studley Youth Centre



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