



WELLINGBOROUGH PARTNERSHIP

the Local Strategic Partnership for Wellingborough

Neighbourhood Renewal Theme Group Meeting

11th September 2007 – Hemmingwell House

Draft – subject to confirmation at the next meeting

Present:

Dipana Patel (DP)	Northamptonshire County Council – Neighbourhood and Rural Renewal Unit (Chair)
Gill Chapman (GC)	Borough Council of Wellingborough
Insp. Ali Reynolds (AR)	Northamptonshire Police
Clr Alan Bailey (AB)	Borough Council of Wellingborough (Chair of the Community Committee and Council Lead for Community Cohesion)
William Thallon (WT)	Prosper Task Group
Maria Thomas (MT)	Borough Council of Wellingborough
Funke Adedeji (FA)	Healthier Task Group
Carole Stephenson (CS)	Borough Council of Wellingborough
Jamie John (JJ)	Northamptonshire Primary Care Trust (item on Health Presentation)
Stephanie Canning (SC)	Northamptonshire Primary Care Trust (item on Health Presentation)

1. Apologies

Hugh Fenton (HF)	Better Task Group and Voluntary Sector Forum
Chris Hill (CH)	Northamptonshire County Council – Neighbourhood and Rural Renewal Unit

2. Matters Arising from notes of last meeting (not on agenda)

AOB

HF had reported prior for NRTG attention - workshop on integrated youth offer planned, neighbourhood renewal representation through various members. Future topic.

3. Presentation Health - in Neighbourhood Renewal Areas

FA, along with colleagues from the PCT health improvement team, JJ and SC gave a presentation on matters relating to health inequalities and the impact this can have on local communities. Presentation slides to be circulated.

JJ spoke of her role as a contact for Wellingborough and a lead in harm reduction for the county.

SC mentioned the variety of local programmes being held in the borough and in particular she spoke of:

- Wellingborough Hearty Walkers; 7 walks taking place across the borough. The newest one to start was to take place from The Well, at Hemmingwell, at 10.30 every Tuesday.
- a community allotment project at Breezehill Allotments off Oak Way (near Hemmingwell) - the project is in partnership with BBC Northampton 'Our Patch', the project will start on Wed. 17th October 10 - 3pm and will link in with the Well.

A discussion took place in which more work was planned to be targeted in neighbourhood renewal areas around the health inequalities agenda. This includes health trainers' project and the healthier collaborative project.

Actions:

- (a) *Progress report on health trainers and health collaborative work for next meeting – FA*
- (b) *Mapping Localised provision with Neighbourhood Renewal Indicators – DP and SC to meet to forward*

3. Neighbourhoods Update/ Performance

(a) Hemmingwell

- Congratulations to the HOPE project for winning both the district and overall winner prizes for 'Improving Your patch' Awards from Northamptonshire Environmental Forum
- MT met with Chris Goozee, (Borough Engineer) explore the viability of creating a new pathway in front of the 'WELL' and also some improvement works to the steps leading to the shops and those on the approach to the bridge – received a quote for £8,700 and actively seeking to secure the funding so the work can commence on 24th September
- Steve Benemore has been contacted re the relocation or removal of a tree that's positioned to the right of the steps in front of the 'WELL' because it is compromising the security camera – Hemmingwell Action Group have approved its removal.
- MT and Simon Trundle went to a Cabinet Office Seminar which looked at Transfer of Community Asset to Third Sector. The Big Lottery Funding and has a fund of 30million allowing LA's & Third Sector to make applications for at least 150k and not exceeding 1million
- Inaugural National Neighbourhood Management Network Awards – NRTG encouraged an application being submitted to the above for and on behalf of the HOPE Project – submission date is 24th September and if successful will attract national interest. The awards are sponsored by the Academy for Sustainable Communities and has 5 categories as follows:
 1. Neighbourhood Management Team of the Year
 2. Community Volunteer of the Year
 3. Cleaner, Greener Innovation Award
 4. Community led Crime & Safety Initiative
 5. Neighbourhood Entrepreneur Awards – the latter being the category in which the application will be based.
- The Well - official opening on the 29th October 2007

(b) Queensway

- Relate are being supported in putting a bid together to seek funding for the roll out of Counselling project across in other schools
- Hardwick School have agreed to fund the Counselling project themselves
- CASPAR report which contains the action plan and forward strategy into the NR agenda was distributed with a joint statement by BCW, NCC & Police being submitted to the local press

c) Kingsway

- Lottery bid for Kingsway Centre was unsuccessful and Michelle Watkins is actively supporting them is identifying other suitable funding streams
- Buckingham Close Garden won the most inspiring project to start for Improving Your Patch Award

d) Swanspool

- SCT have held another community priorities meeting

e) Overarching Neighbourhood Plans

- Deferred to the next meeting due to time constraints; especially the headline performance data for neighbourhoods

4) Any other business:

- CS mentioned WWW.immobolise.com and encouraged all to register

5) Dates for future meetings:

- Circulated and approved – all at Hemmingwell House, 9.30am

2007	23rd October 11th December
2008	5th February 18th March 29th April 10th June 22nd July 9th September 21st October 9th December