

TREETON PARTNERSHIP

Minutes for Trustees meeting at 7pm On Tuesday 19th July 2005 in the Community & Resource Centre

Attendance: Gordon Payne (Chair), Andrea Beckingham (Company Secretary), Kevin Atkins (Trustee), Susan Broadhead (Trustee), John Swift (Trustee), Robin Carter (Trustee), Reg Littleboy (Trustee), Nic Marshall (Development Manager), Angela Wood (Publicity & Admin Officer), Catherine Cooper (Finance & Admin Officer), Steve Ruffle (Community Connects), Trevor Ledger (Treeton Medical Centre), Mick Fellowes (Community Capacity Worker), Chris Edwards (member), Joan Frost (member), Pat Nuttall (member), Margaret Watson (member).

419 Apologies

Eric Haycox (Trustee), Sarah Gibbs (Trustee), Caroline Simpson (PCT).

420 Minutes of the meeting 21st June 2005

It was agreed that these were a true record. The dates for the First Aid course had changed and these would be amended for minutes going on the website and to the press.

421 Matters Arising

Gordon stated he and Nic had attended the Future of Rotherham Conference and it had been a good event.

John stated that clearing of the footpath from Well Lane to Admiral Briggs is now on the works programme.

422 Correspondence

A list of correspondence was circulated.

Gordon stated he had received a letter from Louise Warwick-Booth thanking him for his time given to discuss our community consultation. She has enclosed a summary of her findings and if anyone would like to look at them they are in the Partnership office.

A request had been received to fund the room hire for the summer activities film club and this was approved by all.

423 Manager's Report

Outstanding issues

Nic stated that the Business Plan is now almost complete.

Nic gave some information on the Voice and Influence Youth project and if anyone would like to know more about it they are welcome to call into the office. Gordon explained that Nic had given support to people from other areas in setting up the project and Treeton were not initially included, we will now have approximately £80k for use with Youth Services. Gordon thanked Nic for his effort on this project, as without it we would not have had any involvement in it.

Nic stated the Open Day had gone very well and everyone agreed, he thanked Angela for all her work in setting up the day.

Nic explained he had met with Phoenix Enterprises about the possibility of employing an ILM worker. It was agreed the Trustees would discuss this at the closed session at the end of the meeting.

It was agreed that either Andrea or Kevin would sit on the Orgreave Community Gain funding panel dependant on when the meetings were due to be held.

New issues

Nic confirmed that the Partnership has been contracted to facilitate the Business Plan for Treeton Village Association. It was explained that although this is being done for a reduced amount, it is supporting another group in the village and meeting our social aims whilst generating an income for the Partnership. Robin stated that he believed the charges should have been discussed with Trustees prior to an agreement being made, and asked that his disapproval be minuted. It was agreed that roles and responsibilities within the new structure would need to be discussed.

It was agreed that the advert for businesses in the middle page spread of the Recorder arranged by Sarah looked good and should hopefully raise the profile of the Business community.

It was agreed that we would book a stall at the Footsey event in October which would include 2 delegate places, further places are available but have to be paid for. Gordon stated he would also like to attend.

424 Community Connects

Steve had produced a report which was circulated.

It was agreed that adverts could go ahead for a temporary part-time worker to support the Community Links Day. Steve confirmed he would be on the interview panel along with 2 members of his steering group.

There will be a planning meeting at 9.30am on Wednesday 20th July.

Support of the funding bid to continue providing regular Job Clubs was approved by all.

425 Community Capacity Worker

John confirmed that funding had been granted for a further 6 months for Mick's post.

Mick stated that all the summer activities have now been arranged, however he still needed volunteers to help out on some days. Anyone willing to help would need to have an enhanced CRB check. If anyone can offer some time, please contact Mick as soon as possible.

Mick confirmed that the registration days to sign up for the summer activities 25th and 26th July would be open drop in days between 9am and 4pm in the Reading Rooms.

Mick also explained that he was looking into the possibility of having a community cinema open to all ages and had been working closely with Alan Isaccson. The idea would be to share films with other local parishes to reduce costs.

426 Finance

Andrea stated that the loan from RMBC of £70,000 had now been re-paid and we have approximately £20,000 left in the bank account.

Andrea explained that our funding from Objective 1 is claimed in arrears, however they loaned us £15,000 up front to enable the Partnership to get up and running. We are due to pay back the loan when the funding comes to an end in November. As we have some unrestricted funds available Andrea proposed that we do not claim the £8,000 for this quarter. This would demonstrate that we are able to pay back monies borrowed but it would also prevent an unrealistic bank balance as we are applying for future funding. Currently we have a £20,000 balance but it is not all ours to keep. Everyone agreed that this was a good idea and would be helpful when we came to the end of our funding.

427 Feedback from Sub-committees

Robin stated that at Friday's environment meeting it had been agreed we would look at an Environment Policy as the Partnership does not currently have one.

428 New Members

There were no new members.