

## **Minutes Meanwood Valley Partnership Open Meeting**

**7.30pm Tuesday 26th October 2016 Holy Trinity, Lower Community Hall**

**Present :** Chris Sheard (CS - Chair), Gordon Charlesworth (GC), Rachel Fletcher (Minutes), Sue Sheard (SS), Norman Ramsden (NR), Eileen Hart, Cllr. Alex Sobel, Cllr. Sharon Hamilton + 22 local residents

**Apologies :** Karen Waddington, Chris Swales, Rachel Ramsden, Sylvia Jay, Jackie Brewer, Kingsley Dowling, Barbara Blakeney, Ali O'Riordon, Ian Jackson

**Minutes of previous meeting** - agreed.

**Presentation by Mr Ed Flatley** - During the meeting Ed Flatley the new owner of the former Highbury Cricket Club site gave a brief outline of his proposals for the site. A copy of the plan of his proposals (shown at the meeting) will be put on the MVP website. Cllr Sobel said he would contact Mr Flatley to make sure there was a proper public consultation on his proposals (i.e. the presentation at this meeting was not seen as the main public consultation).

### **1. Boundaries commission review of ward boundaries 2017**

Cllr. Sobel explained that the change of the current Moortown Ward boundary was not likely due to the current population size. However, a suggestion to change the name to Moortown & Meanwood Ward might be considered.

### **2. Church Lane Paddock Site Allocation Plan (SAP) housing (H2/50) Update**

Cllr. Sobel explained that the site had been recommended by the council for removal from the SAP and unless there were any objections/appeals this should be a formality.

### **3. Meanwood WMC site planning application Update**

Cllr. Hamilton said the applicants had been asked to contribute £60,000 to Meanwood Park and £100,000 to King Alfred's Fields, but the council were waiting for the agent to get back to them/agree.

### **4. Planter and Bins Outside Ladbrookes (CS)**

CS is waiting for Highways to get back to him re. the plans. Cllr Hamilton will look into this.

### **5. 13-15 Parkside Road (ripped blue plastic on roof) possible enforcement action**

Cllr. Sobel said that Planning have been to see the site and asked the landowner to improve the visual appearance of the building and remove vegetation. He also said that a new planning application had also been submitted for the site, 16/05216/FU.

### **6. Green Road/Stonegate Road junction improvements**

LCC Highways have told CS that they have a concept design, but do not have enough funding at present, so are looking at options for funding.

In the meantime NR asked for a 20mph sign to be painted on the road surface of Green Road near its junction with Stonegate Road as cars are not noticing the roadside 20mph sign as they are busy looking at the road while negotiating the busy junction. It was also commented that the pedestrian crossing on Stonegate Road is not allowing enough time for less able people to cross the road.

It was also stated that comments/suggestions such as these can be made direct to Highways at [www.leeds.gov.uk/residents/Pages/Barriers-bollards-lights-and-signs.aspx](http://www.leeds.gov.uk/residents/Pages/Barriers-bollards-lights-and-signs.aspx)

### **7. Funding applications and requests (GC)**

GC stated that no new funding applications would be made before the end of this year. Currently MVP have £7,857.82 in the bank. £50 had been donated to Holy Trinity Church, Tiny Tots.

### **8. Festival & Funday 2017 (GC)**

The 2017 Festival and Funday will now definitely be going ahead. There was a recent meeting with enough volunteers willing to help organise the events. There will be another meeting of volunteers in early December. The Funday will be on bank holiday Monday 29th May 2017.

### **9. Highbury Cricket Ground Update (Highbury Trust Community Group)**

Julian Oxley said there would be another Highbury group meeting soon. See updates at [highburyworks.org](http://highburyworks.org)

**10. Tetley Field Planning Application Update** (Tetley Field Campaign Group)  
Martyn Thomas (Chair, Weetwood Residents Association) gave an update. See details at [sogtetleyfield.com](http://sogtetleyfield.com) .

**11. Christmas/Festive lights**

The 2016 lights will be switched on on 14th November outside Asda, Meanwood. North Leeds Music 5.45-6.10; Meanwood School Choir 6.10-6.30; Lights Switch On at 6.30; North Leeds Music 6.30-6.45. CS showed the new light with MVP logo and stated that other groups might be able to get match funding if they wanted to commission their own light.

**12. Meanwood Hall & Woodleas**

CS said good comments had been received about the tree/path works that had been done around the Woodleas and the contractors will continue to maintain the paths etc. It was noted that there can be drainage problems on the paths between November and April. It was also thought that some of the hall might have been sold, the agents thought to be Manning Stainton.

**13. Damaged wall near Meanwood Grove and drystone walling event**

Carolyn Hull said that the Ranger had looked at the stone wall and many of the stones are too big for volunteers to lift, so professional help would be needed, thus it was suggested to look for Heritage Money to help rebuild the wall in the future.

**14. Bulb planting**

This was discussed at the meeting. The Village Association had already planted 1000 bulbs on Stonegate Road (avoiding the grass verges where cars park). It was agreed after the meeting that MVP will probably do their planting at 10am on the 13th November probably on the grass verge at the junction of Stonegate Rd and Parkside Rd.

**Date/s of future open meetings** - Second Wednesday of alternate months from **11th January 2017** all at Holy Trinity Church, Lower Community Hall unless stated otherwise nearer the time.