

AREA 4 FORUM

Tuesday,
19 July 2005
6.30 p.m.

Shildon Sunnydale
Leisure Centre

AGENDA and REPORTS

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To notify the Chairman of any items that appear later in the agenda in which you may have an interest.

3. MINUTES

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 3rd May 2005. (Pages 1 - 4)

4. POLICE REPORT

A representative of Shildon Police will attend the meeting to give a report of crime statistics and initiatives in the area.

5. SEDGEFIELD PRIMARY CARE TRUST

A representative of Sedgefield Primary Care Trust will attend the meeting to give an update on local health matters and performance figures.

6. LOCAL STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP - APPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBERS AND 'ALTERNATE'

To consider the attached letter and appoint a representative to the Local Strategic Partnership Board and an 'Alternate.' (Pages 5 - 6)

7. NEIGHBOURHOOD WARDEN STEERING GROUP

To appoint a representative of the Area 4 Forum for the Neighbourhood Warden Steering Group.

8. QUESTIONS

The Chairman will take questions from the floor.

9. ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT

To consider any other business which, with the consent of the Chairman, may be submitted. Representatives are respectfully requested to give the Chief Executive Officer notice of items to be raised under this heading no later than 12 noon on the day preceding the meeting in order that consultation may take place with the Chairman who will determine whether the item will be accepted.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

20th September 2005 at 6.30 p.m. in the Hackworth Suite, Shildon Sunnydale Leisure Centre.

N. Vaulks
Chief Executive Officer

Council Offices
SPENNYMOOR
11th July 2005

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A. Armstrong and K. Vasey

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Item 3

SEDGEFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL AREA 4 FORUM

Hackworth Suite,
Shildon Sunnydale
Leisure Centre

Tuesday,
3 May 2005

Time: 6.30 p.m.

- Present:** Councillor D.M. Hancock (Chairman) – Sedgefield Borough Council and
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| Councillor Mrs. I. Jackson Smith | – Sedgefield Borough Council |
| K. Johnson | – Durham Constabulary |
| Sergeant E. Turner | – Durham Constabulary |
| Councillor H. Robinson | – Eldon Parish Council |
| B. Carr | – Jubilee Fields Community Association |
| S. Collins | – Shildon Community Safety Group |
| C. Fletcher | – Shildon Community Safety Group |
| Mrs. A. Armstrong | – Sedgefield Primary Care Trust |
| C. Bean | – Sedgefield Primary Care Trust |
| C. Vasey | – Sedgefield Primary Care Trust |
| J. Pope | – Sure Start Shildon and Newton Aycliffe West |
| C. Thompson | – New Shildon Residents Association |
| C. Hind | – Local Resident |
- Apologies:**
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| Councillor G.M.R. Howe | - Sedgefield Borough Council |
| Councillor J.G. Huntington | – Sedgefield Borough Council |
| Councillor J.M. Smith | – Sedgefield Borough Council |
| Councillor Mrs. L. Smith | – Sedgefield Borough Council |
| Councillor Mrs. L. Goldie | – Shildon Town Council |

AF(4)38/04 Declarations Of Interest
There were no declarations of interest received.

AF(4)39/04 Minutes
The Minutes of the meeting held on 8th March, 2005 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

AF(4)40/04 Sedgefield Primary Care Trust
Further to a request from the Forum at its meeting on 8th March, 2005, (Minute No: AF(4)34/04 refers), Carol Bean, Access Facilitator for Sedgefield Primary Care Trust was present at the meeting to discuss GP access and inform Members of the appointments procedure.

C. Bean explained that the NHS planned targets had been set by the Government. The target for GP access had been set at 48 hours and was to be met by December 2004. She informed the Forum that evidence had shown that this target had been met within that time, however Members of

the Forum reassured her that this was not the case and that there were still problems in accessing GP's. It was pointed out that the above target also included access to a Primary Care Professional, not just GP's and did not include access to a GP of choice.

Members of the Forum were also informed of the procedure for pre-bookable appointments. It was explained that an appointment should be able to be made within at least a week of when that appointment would be needed. It was pointed out that that again was not the case. Members of the Forum explained that it was often the case that they could only be made on the same day, as the appointment was needed or the previous day. C. Bean reassured Members of the Forum that appointments should be able to be made whenever the patient required them and assured them that every effort would be made to rectify the problems.

It was explained that contact would be made with the surrounding surgeries to identify problems. It was pointed out that any information that was requested would need to be provided and that response from the surgeries was mandatory. It was hoped that there would be more information by the next Area Forum, however if problems continued then she requested that contact be made with herself at the PCT in order for her to monitor the surgeries.

AF(4)41/04 Police Report

Sergeant E. Turner was present at the meeting to give details of crime statistics for the area.

It was reported that the crime statistics were as outlined below: -

Year on Year March 2004 – March 2005

Vehicle Crime	↓	10%
Vehicle Damage	↓	43%
Burglary Other	↓	39%
Burglary Dwelling	↑	22%
Criminal Damage	↓	39%
Violent Crime	↑	8%

Sgnt Turner introduced Kate Johnson, the new PCSO to the Forum. Members of the Forum were informed that she would be deployed to the Byerley Ward and when necessary would move to other areas of Shildon. She had been employed on a full time basis and would be seen working on the beat, not in a vehicle. Members were reassured that she was the link between the Police and the community to monitor all levels of anti social behaviour and target problem areas.

Members raised concern that the problems on Jubilee Estate were still continuing and in particular the area around the Jubilee pub. Members were re-assured that officers were aware of the problems in that specific area and that concerns would be taken back. It was pointed out that although resources were limited every effort was being made to combat the problems.

Specific reference was also made to the damaged fence surrounding the Jubilee car park. Members raised concerns that the damage had been reported in January and it had still not been fixed. It was pointed out the damage was getting progressively worse, was an eyesore and would end up costing even more money if it was not repaired in the near future. It was explained that there was a problem in identifying who was responsible for the fence, however, the Chair explained that the matter would be investigated.

AF(4)42/04

Sure Start Shildon and Newton Aycliffe West Programme

Julia Pope, Programme Manager Sure Start Shildon and Newton Aycliffe West, attended the Forum to hold a presentation to update Members of its role within the community and inform them of new and existing initiatives. Copies of the presentation were distributed to Members. (For copy see file of Minutes).

Members of the Forum were informed of the aims, objectives and key principles of Sure Start set by the Government, together with the responsibilities of Sure Start at a local level, by Durham County Council and Sedgfield Children and Young People's Partnership, a policy group of the Local Strategic Partnership.

J. Pope then carried on with the presentation to discuss progress of the programme locally. Details were given of its priorities, together with how the community, health and childcare was being engaged and developed with the use of the programme.

Members were also informed of the plans for the development of the new family centres at the sites of Stephenson Way, West Ward and Timothy Hackworth School, Shildon.

Detailed consideration was given to the level of demand the childcare service was expected to receive and what would be the result if there was limited demand. It was explained that evidence had suggested that there was a certain level of demand, however that could obviously not be confirmed until the centres were developed. It was also pointed out that it was a Government requirement to introduce a childcare service within the centres. If the childcare service was not successful then it would be up to the leading authority of Durham County Council to decide what would happen to the facility.

AF(4)43/04

Naming Of Development

Land off Redworth Road, Shildon

Consideration was given to a report of the Building Control Manager regarding a request received from Broseley Homes to officially name and number the above development comprising of 90 dwellings. (For copy see of Minutes).

Members of the Forum proposed the names of Primrose, Bluebell, Foxglove and Celandine.

**AF(4)44/04 Questions
Street Wardens**

With regard to concerns raised at the previous meeting (Minute AF.436/04 refers) regarding the transfer of the Neighbourhood Wardens from Shildon to Newton Aycliffe, Members were re-assured that the Wardens were back and would continue to be based in the Shildon area.

Littering

Detailed consideration was given to Sedgfield Borough Council's Special Collections, specifically what items could be taken free of charge and what would be taken at the residents expense.

AF(4)45/04 Date Of Next Meeting

It was noted that the date of the next meeting of the Area 4 Forum would be agreed by Sedgfield Borough Council at its Annual Meeting on 20th May, 2005.

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Item 6

Sedgefield Borough
Local Strategic Partnership



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Our Ref: R6/4/2
Your Ref:

This matter is being dealt with by: Angela Mulholland

Date: 12th April 2005

Dear John

Nominations to the LSP Partnership Board April 2005

You will be aware that the Annual General Meeting of the LSP Partnership Board is to take place on Wednesday 27th April 2005 at the County Durham Education Development Centre. In accordance with the Partnership Memorandum of Administration and Procedures all organisations represented on the Partnership Board are asked to confirm their nominees annually.

We therefore ask that you confirm your nominees to the Partnership Board for the coming year April 2005 – April 2006. Your confirmation should be returned no later than Monday 18th April. You can do this either by telephoning the above number or alternatively you can respond by email to amulholland@sedgefield.gov.uk

Your present representatives are:

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| 1. Area 1 Forum: Councillor A Smith | Alternate: Councillor Mrs AM Armstrong |
| 2. Area 2 Forum: Councillor A Hodgson | Alternate: Councillor G Morgan |
| 3. Area 3 Forum: Mr J Robinson, JP | Alternate: Councillor T Ward |
| 4. Area 4 Forum: Councillor M Stott | Alternate: Councillor H Robinson |
| 5. Area 5 Forum: Councillor M Dalton | Alternate: Councillor AM Fleming |

It is expected that organisations will nominate individuals to the Partnership Board for a minimum of three years to facilitate continuity in the management of the LSP.

The Board comprises representatives from the public, private, community and voluntary sectors. It is responsible for providing the strategic direction for the work of the Partnership and monitoring its performance. It will continue to oversee the development, supervision and delivery of the Borough Community Strategy, agreeing local initiatives and set priorities for tackling matters of strategic importance to the well being of the

Borough and its communities. The Board will agree the way resources are committed to achieve the Community Strategy and these local area initiatives. It is important therefore that Board representatives are able to speak and make decisions on behalf of the organisation or group that they represent.

Contributions to the Partnership from all sectors, and in particular, those from community representatives are recognised and valued by the Board who will promote community consultation and engagement that is inclusive, responsive and co-ordinated to determine the needs and aspirations of the residents and communities within the Borough.

The Board works closely with the six LSP Policy Groups and where necessary establish guidelines to assist them in their roles. It also promotes and gives publicity to the work of the LSP.

Composition of the Board

<u>Organisation</u>	<u>Number of Places</u>
Area Forums	5
Bishop Auckland College	1
Business Forum	3
Community Empowerment Network	12
County Durham and Darlington Fire & Rescue Service	1
County Durham Connexions Service	1
Durham Constabulary	1
Durham County Council	3
Durham Police Authority	1
Groundwork East Durham	1
Learning & Skills Council (Vacant)	1
Sedgefield Borough Council	2
Sedgefield Primary Care Group	3
Sedgefield District Local Councils' Committee	3
Total	38
Government Office for the North East (Observer Status)	1

Your co-operation in this matter would be greatly appreciated and should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

LSP Team