

AREA 5 FORUM

Tuesday,
22 July 2008
7.00 p.m.

Town Council Offices,
School Aycliffe Lane,
Newton Aycliffe

AGENDA and REPORTS



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বাংলা (Bengali)

যদি আপনি এই ডকুমেন্ট অন্য ভাষায় বা ফরমেটে চান, তাহলে দয়া করে আমাদেরকে বলুন।

(中文 (繁體字)) (Cantonese)

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हिन्दी (Hindi)

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Español (Spanish)

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اردو (Urdu)

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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 29th April 2008 (Pages 1 - 4)

4. POLICE REPORT

A representative from the Police Force will be present at the meeting to give an update in relation to crime figures etc.

5. LOCAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME - PROGRESS REPORT

To consider the attached report. (Pages 5 - 6)

6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Next meeting is scheduled to be held on 30th September 2008.

7. 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 Friday preceding the meeting in order that consultation may take place with the Chairman who will determine whether the item will be accepted.

B. Allen
Chief Executive

Council Offices
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Durham County Council Representative

Councillors Mrs D Bowman, P Gittins, Mrs J Gray, Mrs S J Iveson and Mrs E M Paylor

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Agnew -Agnew Community Centre,

School Aycliffe - School Aycliffe Community Hall,

Woodham - Woodham Community Centre,

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Greenfield - Mr J D Clare,
School Community
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Item 3

SEDGEFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL AREA 5 FORUM

Town Council Offices,
School Aycliffe Lane,
Newton Aycliffe

Tuesday,
29 April 2008

Time: 7.00 p.m.

Present:

Councillor Mrs. D. Bowman (Chairman)	– Sedgefield Borough Council and
Councillor W M Blenkinsopp	– Sedgefield Borough Council
Councillor Mrs. L. M.G. Cuthbertson	– Sedgefield Borough Council
Councillor P. Gittins J.P.	– Sedgefield Borough Council
Councillor G.C. Gray	– Sedgefield Borough Council
Councillor B. Haigh	– Sedgefield Borough Council
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Councillor T. Hogan	– Sedgefield Borough Council
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Councillor Mrs. E.M. Paylor	– Sedgefield Borough Council
Councillor A. Warburton	– Sedgefield Borough Council
Sergeant G. Milne	– Durham Constabulary
Inspector A. Neill	– Durham Constabulary
Councillor P. Ducker	– Great Aycliffe Town Council
Councillor Mrs. B.A. Clare	– Great Aycliffe Town Council
Councillor B. Hall	– Great Aycliffe Town Council
Councillor Mrs. B. Raw	– Great Aycliffe Town Council
J.P. Rodwell	– Agnew Community Association
J.D. Clare	– Greenfield School and Community College
G. Farley	– Newton Aycliffe Sports Club
A. Oliver	– Newton Aycliffe Sports Club
B. Atkinson	– Newton Aycliffe Sports Club

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Attendance: L Goundry, N Woodgate and E North (Sedgefield Borough Council) and A Bailey (Great Aycliffe Town Council)

Apologies:

Councillor V. Crosby	- Sedgefield Borough Council
Councillor Mrs. J. Gray	– Sedgefield Borough Council
Councillor Mrs. S. Haigh	– Sedgefield Borough Council
Councillor Mrs. S. J. Iveson	– Sedgefield Borough Council
Councillor Mrs. A. Clarke	– Middridge Parish Council

AF(5)33/07

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were received.

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MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 11th March, 2008 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

AF(5)35/07

POLICE REPORT

Inspector Neill reminded the Members of the Forum that at the previous meeting they had considered a set of three Neighbourhood Priorities for Area 5 for the next six months. These were :-

- Anti-social Behaviour
- Domestic Violence
- Substance Misuse.

It was explained that in relation to Anti-social Behaviour five specific areas would be covered over the next six weeks. Five priority areas were to be determined by the Forum for specific attention during the next six weeks and an update would be given at the next meeting of the Forum. The Forum identified the following areas :-

Baliol Green/Oak Tree area
Tesco and the surrounding streets
Entrance to Greenwells town centre from Greenwell Road
Garburn Place/Skipton Close
The underpass in the vicinity of Avon Court

Sergeant Milne then outlined the current crime figures for the Area for March 2008 which were as follows :-

<u>Type of Crime:</u>	<u>February, 2008 :</u>	<u>March, 2008 :</u>
Total Recorded Crime		157
Total Violent Crime		39
Violence Against a Person		36
Robbery		2
Burglary (Dwelling)		6
Burglary (Other)		14
Criminal Damage		60
Theft of Vehicle		4
Theft from Vehicle		1
Shoplifting		3
Total Theft		31

LOCAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME

AF(5)36/07

St. Oswald's Park Refurbishment

Consideration was given to a report of the Assistant Chief Executive regarding the above. (For copy see file of Minutes).

Andrew Bailey, Clerk to Great Aycliffe Town Council, was in attendance to present the application and answer questions.

Members were reminded that the Area 5 Forum had been allocated £1,140,000 of Local Improvement Programme Capital Resources between 2006 and 2009. A total of £380,000 had been allocated for 2007/08.

The aim of the project was to refurbish St. Oswalds Park. There were four areas that had been identified as particularly requiring capital investment for improvement and consisted of a disused roller skating rink a disused bowling green a junior play area and an infants play area. Those areas would be refurbished on a two stage phased basis. Great Aycliffe Town Council intended to fund a second stage with monies from their 2009/2010 budget.

Phase 1 would consist of refurbishment of the disused roller skating rink to a junior play area, the refurbishing of the infant play area and the disused bowling green to a formal garden.

Phase 2 would involve the junior play being refurbished and a picnic area created.

The total amount requested was £134,740 representing 84% of the total estimated project cost.

AGREED : That the Forum support the project.

AF(5)37/07

Newton Aycliffe Sports Club

Consideration was given to a report of the Assistant Chief Executive regarding the above. (For copy see file of Minutes).

Gary Farley, Alan Oliver and Brian Atkinson from Newton Aycliffe Sports Club were in attendance to answer questions on the application which had been considered by the Area Forum in October, 2007 and was being reconsidered by the Forum as a result of increased costs.

The project involved the provision of a senior football pitch to a standard specified by the Northern League (Division 2) with floodlights, spectator fencing, perimeter fencing and new self-contained changing rooms for two teams plus officials. The field would be reached by a new footpath with lights. The intention was also to create a new junior football pitch on the club site. The cricket club would have a practice net area with two lanes and the rugby club a new floodlight training area. The cricket score board would also be repositioned and the current changing rooms relocated. The patio area to the front of the main sports hall would also be refurbished.

The total amount requested from the Local Improvement Programme was £304,980.

AGREED: That the project be supported.

AF(5)38/07

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Next meeting to be arranged at the Annual Meeting of Council on 16th May, 2008.

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Item 5

AREA 5 FORUM

22nd July 2008

Report of the Assistant Chief Executive

Sedgefield Borough Local Improvement Programme

Update on Project Activity

This report provides the Area Forum with an update on project activity as part of Sedgefield Borough Council's Local Improvement Programme (LIP).

The purpose of the LIP Programme is to improve community assets and support community engagement in the regeneration of local areas. As part of this, Local Communities can propose projects against set criteria agreed by Sedgefield Borough Council. Through this Programme resources will be released to improve sites and improve the usability of community facilities and buildings across the Borough.

The Area 5 Forum has been allocated £1,140,000 of LIP capital resources between 2006 and 2009. This level of resource is available for community organisations and partner Town and Parish Council's to bid for to fund a range of eligible project activity.

The Local Improvement Programme will close to new applications on 31st July 2008. If anyone is working on applications and requires any help or guidance, please contact Nicola Woodgate or Linda Goundry on 01388 824002.

Projects Funded to date within the Area 5 Forum locality

Great Aycliffe Way	£162,991
Middridge Village Hall	£76,485
Woodham Community Centre	£25,200
Neville Parade Comm Centre	£45,103
Neville Parade Sports Club	
Technical Study	£5875
Neville Parade Methodist church	£18,475
Simpasture Park Refurbishment	£89,245
Moore Lane Refurbishment	£25,089
Total	£448,463

Updates on projects previously considered by the Area Forum:

Aycliffe Village Hall

Applicant is working on appraisal queries.

Newton Aycliffe Sports Club

This project is now fully developed and it is hoped it will progress to Management Team and Cabinet for decision during July.

St Oswalds Park

It is hoped a decision will be made on this project during September.

Applications Received, to be brought to the next Area Forum:**Newton Aycliffe Scouts Hall**

An application has been received. We are awaiting information to strengthen the application before taking it to the Area 5 Forum.

Recommendation from the Strategy and Regeneration Section:

That the Area Forum notes the content of the report and recognises the need that in some instances, further reports will need to be brought to the Area Forum as progress on particular projects develops. Any new applications received before the end of July will be brought to the next Area 5 Forum.