

AREA 5 FORUM

Tuesday,
10 March 2009
7.00 p.m.

Town Council Offices,
School Aycliffe Lane,
Newton Aycliffe

AGENDA and REPORTS



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العربية (Arabic)

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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)

如欲索取以另一語文印製或另一格式製作的資料，請與我們聯絡。

हिन्दी (Hindi)

यदि आपको सूचना किसी अन्य भाषा या अन्य रूप में चाहिये तो कृपया हमसे कहे

polski (Polish)

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Español (Spanish)

Póngase en contacto con nosotros si desea recibir información en otro idioma o formato.

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 20th January 2009 (Pages 1 - 2)

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 - UPDATE REPORT

Report of Assistant Chief Executive.. (Pages 3 - 4)

6. QUESTIONS

The Chairman will take questions from the floor.

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

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Durham Constabulary Inspector A Neill Divisional Police Office,

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Dales Mrs D. Bowman
Williamfield -
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Community Associations Representatives

Agnew -Agnew Community Centre,
School Aycliffe - School Aycliffe Community Hall,
Woodham - Woodham Community Centre,

School Representatives

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School Community
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Woodham - M. Adamson,
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Item 3

SEDGEFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL AREA 5 FORUM

Town Council Offices,
School Aycliffe Lane,
Newton Aycliffe

Tuesday,
20 January 2009

Time: 7.00 p.m.

- Present:** Councillor V. Crosby (in the Chair) – 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 B. Haigh – Sedgefield Borough Council
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 - Councillor Mrs. E.M. Paylor – Sedgefield Borough Council
 - Councillor A. Warburton – Sedgefield Borough Council
 - Sergeant B. O.Connor – Durham Constabulary
 - Councillor B. Hall – Great Aycliffe Town Council
 - Councillor Mrs. A. Clarke – Middridge Parish Council
 - J. P. Rodwell – Agnew Community Association
 - Mrs. E. French – Sedgefield Residents Federation
- Apologies:** Councillor Mrs. D. Bowman - Sedgefield Borough Council
- Councillor G.C. Gray – Sedgefield Borough Council
 - Councillor Mrs. J. Gray – Sedgefield Borough Council
 - Councillor T. Hogan – Sedgefield Borough Council
 - Councillor Mrs. H.J. Hutchinson – Sedgefield Borough Council
 - Councillor Mrs. S. J. Iveson – Sedgefield Borough Council

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were received.

AF(5)22/08

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 25th November, 2008 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

During discussion of this item specific reference was made to Minute No : AH(5)18/08 naming of access road south of Millennium Way Aycliffe Business Park. It was explained that the developers had chosen the name Moordale Road for the access road south of Millennium Way, Aycliffe Business Park.

AF(5)23/08

POLICE REPORT

Sergeant B. O'Connor was present at the meeting. He explained that if members of the Forum had any particular issues/concerns relating to crime in the area he would inform the local Police Office for appropriate action to be taken.

It was explained that there was anti-social behaviour in the area of the new nursing home in Silverdale Place. This issue needed to be addressed.

Concerns were also raised regarding the issue of motorcycles and scooters being ridden by youths in various open spaced areas and causing anti-social behaviour. Members of the Forum were advised to inform the Police control room of such incidents with if possible description of the bike etc. It was explained that the Police had powers to cease such motorbikes if uninsured and on second offence.

The issue of graffiti and anti-social behaviour in the area of the town centre was also highlighted.

Concerns were also raised at the lack of police cover for Middridge. Reference was made in particular to an incident which had recently occurred in Middridge.

AF(5)24/08 NHS COUNTY DURHAM

It was reported that the representative from NHS County Durham who had intended to be at the meeting had been required to attend a meeting in Durham and therefore could not be present at Area 5 Forum for the start of the proceedings.

He would however forward information for circulation to members of the Forum.

AF(5)25/08 QUESTIONS

It was explained that at a meeting of the Residents Federation concerns had been expressed regarding the formation of a new residents association – Great Aycliffe Residents Association – to cover the whole of the town. It was explained that the newly formed Association could not be recognised as it covered too big an area and also there were three Associations in place funded by the Borough.

Members of the forum also expressed their concerns.

AF(5)26/08 DATE OF NEXT MEETING
10th March 2009

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Item 5

AREA 5 FORUM

10th March 2009

Report of the Assistant Chief Executive

Sedgefield Borough Local Improvement Programme

Overview

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. The Area Forum may recall that Area 5 was oversubscribed by £208,065 following the cut off date of 31st July 2008. Cabinet has now considered all project applications received from the Area 5 Forum locality and have allocated funding accordingly. Approved projects are summarised below.

The Current Position with approved Area 5 Forum Projects:

LIP Approvals

Gt Aycliffe Way	Project Complete
Middridge Village Hall	Project Complete
Woodham Community Centre	Project Complete
Neville Parade Comm Centre	Project Complete
Neville Parade Methodist church	Project Complete
Simpasture Park Refurbishment	Project Complete
Moore Lane Refurbishment	Work ongoing
Newton Aycliffe Sporting Club	Work ongoing
St Oswalds Park	Work ongoing
Agnew Centre	Planning Application submitted

Next Steps

Although the application process for LIP is closed, work will continue supporting the groups who have received grants to assist with the implementation of the project. This will also include monitoring of the intended outcomes to ensure that targets outlined in the application for the residents within the locality are met.

In addition to this, it is clear that due to the budget pressure and the amount of schemes submitted against the funding available, not all projects have been successful. Officers from the Strategy & Regeneration Division will continue to work with these projects to assist in trying to secure additional external grant monies.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all Area Forum participants for their involvement in shaping the LIP over the past 3 years. The comments made through the Area Forum process have been valuable in helping to challenge project ideas and ensure we get quality schemes that benefit the local community.

Recommendation from the Strategy and Regeneration Section:

That the Area Forum notes the information provided on the current position of the Local Improvement Programme within Area 5.