

AREA 4 FORUM

Tuesday,
18 July 2006
6.30 p.m.

Shildon Sunnydale
Leisure Centre

AGENDA and REPORTS

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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 2nd May 2006. (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. SEDGEFIELD BOROUGH LOCAL AREA IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME

To consider the attached report of the Head of Strategy and Regeneration. (Pages 5 - 8)

7. QUESTIONS

The Chairman will take questions from the floor.

8. 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.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

19th September 2006 at Shildon Sunnydale Leisure Centre at 6.30 p.m.

B. Allen
Chief Executive

Council Offices
SPENNYMOOR
10th July 2006

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Councillor J. Robinson J.P., Lead Member Culture and Recreation

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Item 3

SEDGEFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL

AREA 4 FORUM

Shildon Sunnydale
Leisure Centre

Tuesday,
2 May 2006

Time: 6.30 p.m.

Present: Councillor D.M. Hancock (Chairman) – Sedgefield Borough Council and

Councillor G.M.R. Howe	–	Sedgefield Borough Council
Councillor J.G. Huntington	–	Sedgefield Borough Council
Councillor J.M. Smith	–	Sedgefield Borough Council
Councillor Mrs.I.Jackson Smith	–	Sedgefield Borough Council
Councillor Mrs. L. Smith	–	Sedgefield Borough Council
Acting Inspector S. Ball	-	Durham Constabulary
Councillor Mrs. D. Bowman	-	Durham County Council
M. Quigley	-	Jubilee Residents
J. Johnson	-	New Shildon Residents Association
C. Thompson	-	New Shildon Residents Association
D. Sadler	-	Patient and Public Involvement Forum
Councillor Mrs.A.M. Armstrong	-	Sedgefield PCT
B. Carr	-	Shildon Community Safety
C. Fletcher	-	Shildon Community Safety
B. S. Hind	-	Local Resident

In

Attendance: F. Hill – DISC, Mrs. G. Garrigan – Sedgefield Borough Council

Apologies: Councillor H. Robinson - Eldon Parish Council
Mrs. K. Vasey – Sedgefield PCT
Councillor J. Thompson – Shildon Town Council

AF(4)38/05 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
Members had no interests to declare.

AF(4)39/05 MINUTES
The Minutes of the meeting held on 7th March 2006 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

AF(4)40/05 POLICE REPORT
Acting Inspector Ball was present at the meeting to give details of the crime statistics for the area.

The reported crime figures for February and March 2006 were as follows:

<u>Type of Crime :</u>	<u>February :</u>	<u>March :</u>	<u>Detection Rate</u> <u>:</u>
Total Crime	69	68	Just over 28%
Violent Crime	18	14	50%
Burglary (Dwelling)	2	0	40%
Burglary (Other)	4	2	10%
Criminal Damage	26	29	17%
Vehicle Crime	6	8	Just under 20%
Theft from vehicle	1	5	
Nuisance/Rowdy Behaviour		93	

With regard to nuisance/rowdy behaviour, it was noted that the Police were currently preparing a strategy in conjunction with other partners and they wished to ascertain views on what was classed as “acceptable behaviour”.

Specific reference was made to the areas in Shildon, which had been identified in a report prepared by the Police analyst as hotspots for nuisance/rowdy behaviour. They included: Church Street, Cheapside, outside Shildon Sunnydale Comprehensive School, Coronation Avenue around Jubilee Public House, Birch Avenue/Cedar Grove, Furnace Pit Industrial Estate, Maddison Street/Upper Byerley Road and Windsor Gardens. It was pointed out that a copy of the report had been forwarded to Helen Stewart, Anti-Social Behaviour Co-ordinator for Sedgfield Borough Council.

Members of the Forum also expressed concern regarding the nuisance caused by the riding of quad bikes. The Police agreed to look into the problem.

AF(4)41/05

SEDGFIELD PRIMARY CARE TRUST

Councillor Mrs. A.M. Armstrong attended the meeting to give an update on local health matters.

Specific reference was made to the future PCT configuration in County Durham. It was pointed out that a proposal had been submitted to the Department of Health for one PCT to be established for the whole of County Durham and Darlington.

With regard to dental services, it was reported that all dental practices within Sedgfield Borough had signed up to provide personal dental services under the NHS.

Specific reference was made to a presentation regarding the bid for foundation status by County Durham and Darlington Acute Hospital Trust and the proposed job losses over the next three years as more services were provided within the community.

With regard to needle disposal, members of the Patient and Public Involvement Forum questioned why there were no pharmacies within Sedgefield Borough licensed to dispose of needles. Councillor Mrs. Armstrong agreed to look into the matter.

AF(4)42/05

DISC DRUG SERVICES

Frazer Hill, DISC (Developing Initiatives Supporting Communities) attended the meeting to give a presentation on the above.

DISC Drug Services were a specialised agency, providing structured interventions for people with substance misuse problems. Programmes were delivered in Drug Treatment Centres and various settings within the community. All participants using the service would be 18 years of age and over and have a substance misuse issue and a residency within the respective PCT area. There was an open referral policy. Referrals could be made directly to the treatment centres by telephone, fax or drop-in.

Clients were given the opportunity to move away from problem drug use and into healthier lifestyles through one-to-one key working, group work and workshops.

Copies of leaflets were available at the meeting for Members' information, which made reference to a client's journey and the various stages involved, which were:

- Refer into the service
- Assessment of need
- Formation of Care Plan
- Intervention/Programme
- Review and monitor
- Improve social functioning
- Improve life and basic skills
- Increase personal independence
- Increase personal responsibility
- Exit Strategy

It was noted that from the period April 2005 to March 2006 there had been 131 referrals across Sedgefield Borough, of which 19 were from Shildon.

It was reported that the success of DISC Drug Services work was measured both the service users themselves reflecting on their progress and by the workers evaluating the progress of their clients.

AF(4)43/05

JUBILEE FIELDS COMMUNITY CENTRE

It was noted that Jubilee Fields Community Centre which had been experiencing financial difficulties, was now breaking even. A new Chairman and Treasurer had been appointed. The Forum was advised to "use the Centre or lose it".

AF(4)44/05 COMMUNITY RADIO

The Forum was informed that a letter of intent had been submitted to the Broadcasting Authority regarding a proposal to establish a community radio station for the area. The proposal involved working with Bishop Auckland Hospital Radio, King James School, Bishop Auckland and other schools within Sedgefield Borough.

AF(4)45/05 RECYCLING

Members of the Forum expressed concern that they were not able to put cardboard or plastic bottles in their green boxes for recycling. It was pointed out that cardboard was recycled in Wear Valley District.

Concern was also expressed that some wheelie bins, which were fuller than normal owing to the recent Bank Holiday/s, had not been emptied.

AF(4)46/05 BUS SHELTERS

It was reported that it was intended to replace the glass in the bus shelters within the town with see-through stainless steel screens.

AF(4)47/05 CCTV

It was noted that the Borough Council would be replacing the close circuit television cameras in the near future.

AF(4)48/05 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting would be agreed at the annual meeting of Sedgefield Borough Council on 19th May 2006.

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Item 6

AREA 4 FORUM

18th July 2006

Report of the Head of Strategy and Regeneration

Sedgefield Borough Local Area Improvement Programme

Information Report

Introduction

This report highlights the Local Improvement Programme (LIP) and the potential for funding in the Area 4 Forum locality.

Programme Background

The Local Improvement Programme forms part of the Housing Land Capital Receipts Programme, which was approved by Cabinet in June 2005. In total, £3.8 million has been allocated over 3 years to 2008 / 09 for the Local Improvement Programme across the Borough to tackle the issues as outlined in the community strategy. This will be achieved by a range of interventions including creating new resources and supporting community engagement in the regeneration of the Borough.

Local communities and partner Town and Parish Councils can submit project proposals at any time. These are appraised and scored and then discussed at the Area Forum meeting. The Area Forum role is key in providing a view as to the priority of the project within their area. The project is then tabled at the Management Team of the council and then Cabinet, who will assess the project and decide which projects are supported.

Criteria

Projects eligible for support through the Local Improvement Programme **must** demonstrate that the project meets the following key criteria:

- Conformity to the newly created Department for Communities and Local Government (formerly the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister) Regeneration criteria which states;
'the carrying out of works or activities on any land where the land or a building on the land is vacant, unused, underused, ineffectively used, contaminated or derelict; and the works or activities carried out in order to secure that the land or the building will be brought into effective use'

Examples of such projects include the renovation of derelict land to create a children's play area or the renovation of a derelict building to provide a drop in centre.

All projects must demonstrate the additionality i.e. extra activities or facilities, which will be provided upon receipt of any grant.

- Clear linkages to the delivery of the Council’s Community Strategy and its key aims and planned outcomes.

Projects are also expected to meet the following secondary criteria:

- The project should have carried out appropriate levels of community consultation. A clear need for the project must have been identified.
- The project should have specific measurable benefits.
- The project should have considered how any recurrent or revenue funding implications will be managed.
- Value for money should clearly be demonstrated, to include any match funding from other grant sources as well as accessing a minimum of 3 quotes regarding the proposals of work.
- Where the applicant is a Town or Parish Council, there should be a financial contribution of at least one third of the total costs of the project, to ensure that the resources made available are addressing local priorities as well as those of the council.

Allocation for Area 4, Shildon

To date, we have not received any projects, which meet the criteria above, and therefore the full amounts highlighted below are available.

Forum allocation (Net)			
2006/ 07	2007 / 8	2008 /09	Total
£152,000	£152,000	£152,000	£456,000

Applicants should be aware that the allocation available is for the whole Area Forum locality therefore we do not anticipate funding projects to a high value.

It is however, important to note that there is no pressure to spend allocated budgets within any financial year. Unspent money will be rolled forward and protected for that forum area.

Further Details

Further details on the Local Improvement Programme are available from the Strategy and Regeneration section, Sedgefield Borough Council:

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 Sedgefield Borough Council

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Recommendation from the Strategy and Regeneration Section:

It is recommended that the report is noted and any interested groups contact the Community Project Development Officer to discuss initial project ideas.

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