

## **Initial Community Meeting – 27<sup>th</sup> July 09** **Feedback received on current priorities**

### Community Safety and PACT

- An official senior citizens crossing outside Hanover Parklands
- Crossing outside Hanover Parklands, crossing is very dangerous
- Communities First team should update the local people on the issues raised in PACT, but importantly on issues resolved.

### Substance misuse problems

- Heroin addiction is on the increase in Sketty and will become an increasingly urgent problem
- More power to the police to arrest found trouble makers
- Addition awareness and education that shows addicts are sick and need help and support. We need to treat the issues that are causing addiction as well as the addiction

### Local sports activities and opportunities

- Lacking in the above in Sketty Park, women included.
- School playing fields are there for use during vacation?
- Use school playing fields during after school hours?
- More local sports activities and apprentices in Sketty Park
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- School fields could be used to run organised sports groups
- Play wall in Parry's Park.
- Olchfa to be used more.
- More communal sports would be good such as football leagues if we could get Olchfa to lend playing fields.

### Services for children (aged 0-10)

- More toddler groups needed.
- Services for children to play eg. Skate board park for children and something for 6 – 12 year olds.
- Swings for children 5-10 years old.
- Services for children age 0-10 years.
- Better play areas for 7- 10's.
- Should be more for children, two local schools should provide their buildings to be used by the community.
- More community groups such as crèches and drop in's and talk groups
- Some play equipment for disabled children .
- More organised care for younger kids over the summer/longer vacations to allow parents to hold down jobs.

### Youth provision and facilities (aged 11 – 25)

- Need for a youth club and activities eg. Sports for all types
- We need more communal play areas and a youth club. Youth club and sports facilities needed
- More youth provision and facilities for 11 – 25 years
- More youth clubs are required for ages 12-20
- Provision for youth aged 11-25 eg. Skate board park.
- More areas desperate for leisure facilities for children, especially in the evenings.
- Need a youth club for teenagers.
- More organised facilities eg. Dance groups and drumming.
- Schools should do more and use their facilities in the county.

### Improving our environment

- Parts are untidy (around shops) but not as bad as some areas in town. Other things are possibly more important
- Crossing necessary for upper Parkway
- Local shops should keep fronts litter free and clean
- Get involved in our environment.
- Attention is needed for all points raised
- Pavements by the shops are very bad
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- Litter on the road and streets are a big problem. Community pride is missing
- More varied and better recycling facilities
- Is it possible to do something with Parry's Park that families can use it as a play area for children and adults?

### Forming Action Teams

- To meet regularly and involve lay members
- We should have action teams for each themes or issues to deal with
- Forming action teams: Improving our environment, local financial services, community safety, substance misuse problems, employment and learning.

### Employment, training and learning

- Computer training for pensioners and young people
- Computer training for compete beginners
- Computer training for over 60's
- Computers for over 60's and 70's

- Hold college classes at centre for computer training for all age groups
- Provide financial services
- Provision for youth training facilities
- More local sports activities and opportunities
- Employment services to do a door to door survey and inform people about the service available
- Internet access locally for jobs etc... in Sketty Park or Sketty
- Employment training firms running IT training to disadvantaged, long term unemployed and with offenders.

#### Improving local financial services

- More financial services
- No rates for pensioners
- Credit union need to be promoted within the areas. CAB may also do some local surgeries.
- Litter and graffiti, dirty - Lack of care for others and getting worse.
- Drugs and substance misuse – lack of respect for self and others