

Sketty Park Communities First Partnership

Notes of Meeting

Meeting Title:		
Communities First Partnership Meeting		
Meeting No:	Chair:	Minutes taken by:
10	co-chaired by Jason Williams & Cathy Evans	Nasir
Date of Meeting:		Venue of Meeting:
Monday, 7th March 2011 at 6pm		Sketty Park & District Community Centre
1. Attendance:		Apologies:
Roshan Begum (Resident), Gill Gregory (Resident), Mark Davies (Resident), Barbara Brimfield (Resident), Cathy Evans (Resident), Heather Elphick (Resident), Albert Rogers(Resident), Julia Mitchell (Resident), Timothy Gale (Resident), Joel Worgan (Resident), Liam Branford (Resident), Alex Gillett (Resident), Anthony Grove(Resident), Josh Tang (Resident), Ben Dover (Resident) Jane Smith (Sketty Resident Association) Councillor Cheryl Philpott, Mandy Harvey (Parkland Church), Councillor Paul Meara, Orla Banville (Communities First), Jason Williams (Communities First), Nasir Shahzad (Communities First), David Stallard (Youth Worker), Angela Boat (PCSO S.W.Police), Nadia Curry (PCSO S.W.Police), John Duff (Community Development Cymru)		Councillor Mike Day, Councillor Hue Rees, Councillor June Stanton, Lauren Howlett (SCVS), Maggie Wood (Hanover Parkland), Ivor Rees (Resident), Delyth Rees (Resident), Clare Hazel (Resident), Bethan Baglow (Olchfa), Pam Williams (Hazel Court), Alison Gough (Traffic Team CCoS), Lauren Howlett (SCVS), Andy Reed (Inspector SWP), Claire Smith (LASA), Glenis Pike (Recreation CCoS),
2. Introductions		
Jason Williams opened the meeting by welcoming and thanking all for attending. John Duff of Community Development Cymru was introduced and welcomed to the meeting.		
3. Matters discussed, developments from the last meeting and Action Points		
3.1 Previous minutes and matter arising		
The minutes of the last meeting were agreed as a true record.		
3.2 Election of Chairperson		
The Partnership has agreed to look at the options of developing a more formal structure to the Partnership. In the first step towards this Cathy Evans put herself forward as Chair Person. Heather Elphick, Mandy Harvey, Timothy Gale and Councillor Philpott seconded Cathy's nomination as Chairperson. Cathy then took over as chair of the meeting.		
3.3 Future Development of Partnership		
John Duff was introduced to the Partnership. John has been working for Community Development Cymru (CDC) for over 6 years and was asked by the Wales Council for Voluntary Association (WCVA), after discussion with Jason Williams, to support the Partnership in its development. John gave a brief presentation on future development possibilities for the Partnership and facilitated some discussion to talk of ways forward for the partnership. Details of John's presentation are attached. Jason referred to the fact that development of subgroups is well underway with some groups having already been formed, including Clyne Court Resident Association, Doodles Events, I Love Sketty Park, Environment Group, IT Collaboration, Older Person Forum, Youth Workers Network and the Youth Action Team. Their fit and operation within the		

structure of the partnership will need to be discussed as the partnership develops. John suggested the next step should involve an informal session to work through the steps to developing the structure of Partnership. It was agreed that we should hold further sessions to develop this area of work, although the format of the session was not agreed. It is noted that some did feel it unnecessary to

ACTION: Jason to organise with CDC and WCVA future sessions to pick up the development of the Partnership

3.4 Communities First - Summary Update

Everyone was asked to read through the summary report produced by Jason. Time was given for questions and general discussion concerning this report. No comments or questions were noted. Please see the attached summary update.

3.5 Any other business.

3.5.1 Local Development Plan

Jason informed the group of an upcoming The Local Development Plan (LDP) meeting in Sketty Park. The LDP is a document the council's planning department will develop and use as a guide when considering future planning applications. The City and County of Swansea is currently at the stage of consulting all residents on what should be included in this document. Communities First Sketty Park has organised an upcoming LDP meeting for the 23rd of March. This meeting will give an opportunity for all to find out about the the process used to ascertain community opinion on the local authority's future land planning and development. All were encouraged to attend.

3.5.2 Environment Launch

The Environment Subgroup launch will take place on the 28th of March, from 4:30pm at the Sketty Park Community Centre. Everyone was asked to join, to meet others interested in the local environment, and to help plan this year's environmental activities in Sketty Park.

3.5.3 Young People

Seven young people attended the partnership meeting. They spoke of their concerns regarding local young people having little to do in the evening and get bored. A suggestion was made by one of the older people in the meeting that youths can spend time at the beach and Singleton Park. Singleton Park was said to be too far from their house to go, and not everyone can attend youth drop-in sessions on Thursdays. Many who attended said most have football and training on Thursdays.

PCSO Nadia explained that young people are not allowed on beaches by themselves; and due to recent burglaries at Singleton Park, they are also moved on if found there. Orla mentioned that the next Youth provision meeting is in half term on Monday 18th April and encouraged the youths to attend, to raise their concerns.

David Stallard informed the meeting that their new youth drop-in sessions have got table tennis, pool tables, games consoles and other activities. Councillor Philpott, Jason and others in the Partnership commended the young people for attending the meeting and voicing their concerns.

4. Summary of Actions

4.1 Jason to organise with CDC and WCVA future sessions to pick up the development of the Partnership

5. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be on Monday 25th May at 4pm in the Sketty Park Community Centre
Subsequent meeting dates: Monday 4/7/11 at 6.30pm; Monday 5/9/11 at 6.30pm and Tuesday 8/11/11 at 1pm