



**Neighbourhood Management Programme  
Working Group – Comeunity Pride  
South and Central Yarmouth  
Held - 23 June 2009  
Time: 10am  
At Neighbourhood Centre, King Street, Gt. Yarmouth**

**MINUTES**

**Present**

Peter Astle	Service Manager	GYBC – Environmental Health
Barbara Brown	Resident	Comeunity Forum
Derek Brown	Resident	Comeunity Forum
Lorraine Finch	Resident	Comeunity Forum
John Holmes	Councillor	VSP
Ann Rowden	Resident	Comeunity Forum
Leon De Beer	Neighbourhood Officer - Facilitator	NM Comeunity Forum
Carolyn Cliff	Resident	Comeunity Forum
Siobhan Mead		Great Yarmouth VIP User Group
Steve Roper	PCSO	Norfolk Constabulary
Veronica Carver	Resident	Revolution Skate Squad
George Devon	Area Housing Manager	Community Housing - GYBC

**Apologies**

Rob Gregory	Neighbourhood Manager	NM Comeunity
Terry Bensley	NEMO Officer	GYB Services/Comeunity
Peter Stockwell	Service Delivery Manager	GYB Services Ltd

**Not in attendance**

Ian Barnett	Service Delivery Manager	GYB Services Ltd
Nick Cheshire	Inspector	Norfolk Constabulary
Simon Mutten	Service Manager	GYBC- Environmental Health
David Taylor	Resident	Comeunity Forum

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| 1. <b>Welcomes/<br/>Introductions</b> | Leon welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made.   |
| 2. <b>Minutes</b>                     | Approved.  |
| 3. <b>Matters Arising</b>             | None.  |
| 4. <b>Delivery Plan</b>               | Leon reported back on progress with the Pride Delivery Plan projects:<br><br>G2G: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Victoria Place:</b> planting day happened on Fri 19 June – this concludes the project. Residents have also been provided with a garden hose to enable them to water plants. This will become a My Back Yard scheme.</li> <li>- <b>Artillery Square:</b> as everyone knows, this scheme has become complicated due to various plans being put forward by different parties. However, Leon is waiting to be invited to a NCC meeting to see how the residents' G2G plan can be incorporated into the larger Artillery Square / Russell Square project.</li> <li>- <b>Camden Passage:</b> the area is currently being resurfaced by NCC. Upon completion, the Team will do a small G2G project on a grass verge that is currently used for parking.</li> <li>- <b>Patterson Close:</b> the project is ready to go, but it is currently being debated who will take on the maintenance of the site in the long term due to the lack of a strong residents group. GYBC and GY Community Housing to decide who to take this on.</li> </ul> |

**ACTION: George Devon to inform Leon of any progress.**

- **Trinity Place:** Leon informed the group that the SNT had asked whether this area could become a G2G. PCSO Roper explained that the area is prone to fly tipping and anti-social behaviour. Leon said that after considering the issue, it would probably be best passed over to Terry Bensley as an enviro-crime issue.

**ACTION : Leon and Terry to do site visit.**

My Back Yard:

- Lorraine Finch informed the group that a leaflet drop had been done for the top end of St George's Road. This was followed up by a meeting, which was somewhat contentious, and which left residents confused as to the exact nature of the project. A follow-up leaflet is being prepared to address this, which will be followed up by a door-knock, to inform residents of the funding that is available to enable them to become a My Back Yard area.

Facilities / amenities:

- Leon, Sheree Grimmer (Estate Manager) and Cora Batley (resident) had a walkabout on the Blackfriars Estate and identified 3 potential sites that could be improved with additional seating. Leon has requested prices etc from GYBS, but has not had any response. It was suggested that Norfolk Constabulary be invited to the next walkabout to ensure that any new benches are assessed in terms of likelihood for future anti-social behaviour.

**ACTION: Leon to organise walkabout when ready.**

NEMO:

- As Terry Bensley was unable to attend, the Group made a list of environmental issues that will be communicated to Terry.

**ACTION: Leon to report the following to Terry:**

a) Issues with commercial properties leaving their bins on the roads (Deneside, King Street, Paget Road and Princes Road).

b) 19 and 20 Nelson Road South – confirmation is sought that this will be part of SHARP2; alternatively, what can be done about the area as it is a great eyesore to local people.

c) Nelson Road South – bin issues.

d) Roman Place – fly tipping

e) Top end of Lancaster Road (not York Road as mentioned in meeting) – fly tipping. Generally a lot of litter about.

f) Trinity Place (see G2G update).

Litter Bin repositioning:

- Leon reported that after the last meeting, he, along with Terry Bensley, Pauline McConnachie (Environmental Ranger) and Ann Rowden (resident) had a walkabout to initiate the South Quay pilot. It has just been established that the cost of relocating a bin is approximately £350, which allows the group to take on this project according to its budget and in line with the targets. The group asked whether new bins would be a cheaper option. However, it was raised that new bins would imply more collection by GYBS, which would increase costs.

**ACTION : Leon to investigate and present back to group and move pilot forward.**

**5. AOB**

Two issues were raised:

a) Residents reported that they were concerned about young people fishing off the quay. PCSO Roper informed the group that this is not illegal and that they continuously patrol the area and informed young people of safety risks.

b) Lorraine Finch reported that someone from Norfolk County Council had mentioned to her that stats for the Nelson Ward show that "things are just getting worse". The group asked whether the person could provide more details on which stats they were referring to. The group discussed the issue of resident's perceptions being crucial. Leon informed the group that a marketing campaign is scheduled for August and that the Board could perhaps look at this as an opportunity to address perceptions.

**ACTION: Leon to discuss with the Board.**

**6. Time/Date of next Meeting**

Date: 25 August 2009

Time: 10am-12pm

Venue: The Neighbourhood Centre