

MEETING: DERWENT, HEWORTH WITHOUT & OSBALDWICK WARD
COMMITTEE 17th October 2006

PRESENT: COUNCILLOR MORLEY (chair)
COUNCILLOR LANCELOTT

APOLOGIES: COUNCILLOR GREENWOOD

IN ATTENDANCE: 14 Local Residents
Angus Young, Street Environment Officer, CYC
Phillipa Press, Health Improvement Manager, PCT
Russell Trewartha, Neighbourhood Pride Officer, CYC
Lynn Jeffries, OCAY
Steve Rouse, Area Youth Team Leader, CYC

Introductions

Cllr Morley introduced the meeting and officers in attendance and the minutes of the last meeting were approved with the following issues noted: it would seem that not many Osbaldwick residents received their your ward newsletter; a grant suggestion for a new scoreboard was for Dunnington Cricket Club, not Heworth.

Street Environment update

The issue of ward committees funding litter bins was discussed; RT explained that the WC had to bear in mind that there are two costs associated with buying litter bins- the capital cost of the actual bin and its installation and the revenue cost of maintaining and emptying the bin (note present costs- £210 per annum for 3 years maintenance revenue &£550 per bin capital) It was also noted that Neighbourhood Services has a small budget for the upkeep/maintenance of street furniture such as litter bins.

How are the issues with traveller in the ward progressing? AY explained that they are no longer on Panman Lane, but have moved onto Holtby Lane and are an ongoing time-consuming problem. To prosecute them for fly-tipping etc there needs to be witnesses. AY also explained that for health and safety reasons two CYC officers must approach the travellers to deal with issues.

Healthy eating

PP handed out a healthy eating leaflet explaining the work of the PCT in York. Eating a healthy balanced diet is one step toward leading a healthy lifestyle. A healthy balanced diet is essential in maintaining good health and may help prevent coronary heart disease, stroke and some cancers. Helping to achieve or keep to a healthy weight is an important attempt to reduce the increasing problem of obesity.

A resident asked what is being done to provide a better standard of food in hospitals? PP explained that PCT do work closely with hospital on diet and nutrition issues.

The importance of open space for children to play was mentioned as a key to the health of young people. What is the CYC policy on sport and physical activity? **ACTION: RT**

How were Derwent Junior School Playing Fields allowed to be used for residential development? **ACTION: RT to contact CYC Planning.**

Cllr Lancelott explained that Street Sport York will shortly be operating a programme of regular activities for young people on Monk Stray.

Older Citizens' Advocacy, York

LJ explained that the service is about supporting and working with elderly residents in all aspects of life such as at personal meetings and appointments. OCAY is a voluntary organisation and an independent advocate that is advertised on the Internet and newspaper. OCAY are based at the 52 Townsend Street, York.

Local Improvements schemes and grant applications 2007-08

DHO-07-22: Are the Community Rangers a better service now? Yes, they are more visible and play a more active role than before, e.g. they carry out gate locking. They are also cheaper, provide a call back service to residents and work more closely with the Police. Can the Rangers attend the next meeting in Osbaldwick? **ACTION RT.**

DHO-07-24: How would the grant to OCAY benefit this ward? It will not necessarily benefit the ward directly, but will extend the outreach service that will help increase the service available for this ward. How many WCs funded thee service last year? **ACTION RT.**

DHO-07-25: It was explained by a representative of YDSF that the group always feed information back to the ward committees that have contributed funds. A number of young people in this ward have benefited in the past. YDSF aims to support aspiring young athletes to assist with kit, transport and coaching costs.

DHO-07-26: Each play scheme session costs £175; the cost of £3,150 would provide six sessions in each area of the ward.

DHO-07-05: Dunnington Parish Council expressed their support of this project.

DHO-07-09: View expressed that there are already too many trees on the stray that need maintenance.

DHO-07-12: View expressed that the WC should not fund drainage on the stray and this should rest with CYC Leisure Services.

DHO-07-13: View expressed that the footpaths could benefit from some maintenance.

Have your say

Cllr Morley explained that the result of the Derwenthorpe enquiry will be announced on or before 11th April 2007.

Dunnington Parish Council expressed their concern at the 1079 proposals. **ACTION: RT to forward views to City Strategy.**

The meeting closed at 9.15pm

The next meeting will be held on the 31st January 2007