

**Minutes of the meeting held at the
Woodhouse Library, Skelton Lane, Woodhouse,
Facilitated by the Woodhouse & District Community Forum
Thursday 21st April 2016**

Attendees

Howard Constable (Chair), Kathryn Taylor, Liz Turton, Graham Postello, Alan Charlesworth, Cllr Mick Rooney, Cllr Ray Satur MBE, Joan Longstone-Hull, Margaret Wheeler, Peter Wolstenholme, George McCusker, Andrew Watson (Salvation Army), Judith Taylor, Lynn Woodhead, Joyce Crookes, Pauline Outram, Margaret Doncaster, Peter Doncaster, Pauline Kilner, Mike Peat, Nick Gilbody, Maurice Birch, Anna Smith (PCSO), Tina Weston (Trading Standards)

Apologies

Anne Kennedy, Ann Deeley, Graham Deeley, Cllr Jackie Satur

1. Welcome & Introductions

2. Minutes of last meeting & matters arising - none

3. Guest Speaker: Tina Weston, Trading Standards

- Highlighted the issues with pestering phone calls, rogue traders and scams (prize draws/lotteries etc) can be vicious, asking for admin fees can add up to £1,000s
- Targeting the vulnerable and lonely - eg prize draws as an incentive to send money.
- Once replied to - companies have victims' information which is then shared to other scammers, operating outside of UK legal intervention.
- Recommend call blockers.
- Interested to know of people's experiences with BrightLife.

4. Updates

South Yorkshire Police

- Break-ins - Eurolock in UPVC doors easily broken into - it's worth buying anti-snap locks: 3 on Rodman Street, 4 on Waterslacks, 3 on Spa Lane area; one arrest.
- Shed break in on Waterslacks
- Vandalism on the allotments in Handsworth.
- 6 shoplifting at the Co-op.
- Off-road bike increase - call 101 to advise of any sightings as this builds up a picture.
- Speeding clampdown on Station Road.
- Facebook page 24 hour updates - please add as a friend.
- Adopt a post office - working in partnership with Post Offices in the area - trying to communicate with staff and customers.

- Multi agency meeting re anti-social behaviour in Market Square. Young people are coming from other areas to Woodhouse. Upping presence in the village.
- Issues with begging in the village - report on 101.

Andrew Watson (Salvation Army) Report

- Easter Holidays activities including Urban Art, Fire Project, Tannery Park & Library where young people played board games like chess.
- Now seeing an increase in other activities.
- Have a good volunteer team.
- Sheffield Hallam University, staff development day - worked on the planters, the Salvation Army hall and the allotment.
- Event on Woodhouse Mill on Saturday 18th June. Advertising to include banners & leaflets to schools.

Neighbourhood Watch

- Scams - talk talk - asking for payment. DO NOT do it!
- Talk Talk internet scam - convincing
- Attended victims of crime visits and signed up 7 new members.
- Co-op event where more members signed up.
- Alliance meeting (co-ordinators) last night - no police attended.

5. Library

- Storytime session 11 - 12pm and 3 - 4 pm on Thursdays.
- Volunteer (Mark) is setting up the Facebook page.
- Plant sale on 5th May - donations welcome.

6. Reports

a) Trustees - No trustees meeting. The new building development is going to Legal.

b) Project Development and Learning Champions

- People Keeping Well tender unsuccessful getting on the framework. Will attend feedback meeting on 3rd May to get information as to why it failed and plan to resubmit in June/July. Ship Shape Wellbeing, who has been successful, has strong partnership links. Our partnership with the medical centre gives us strength.
- Research with Sheffield Housing Services re social isolation.
- Kate (Health Trainer) is now on 3 days, implementing new health initiatives including exercises, weight management and fun/fit & healthy.
- Garden project - please see attached report.
- Work on a new Healthy Activities and Adult Learning brochure.
- Trying to make our brochures as professional as possible.

c) Youth Forum - Woodhouse Carnival planned for 11th June.

d) Publicity

Peter gave a list of publicity activity in March. A new editor at The Star - hope this will improve the coverage.

Photo-cabinets are in Woodhouse and Crystal Peaks Libraries. The cabinet at Crystal Peaks is now in bad shape.

7. Councillors' Information Session

- Multi-Agency Meeting in the Square to tackle the issue re the Kids. Also the general condition of the Severnside Estate - problems with fly-tipping etc.
- Ray - £10K has been spent in Tannery Park with a Bucket Swing and equipment for younger children.
- Small grants available in the Woodhouse area. Think about possible projects.
- Neighbourhood watch could potentially benefit from LAP funding in each area if a bid is put in.
- Praise for Streets Ahead work.

7. A.O.B

- Mini sports day cancelled - now 21st June
- Anyone who has a hospital appointment prior to 9.30 am can use their pass on production of a hospital letter.

8. Time and date of next meeting: 19th May 2016 at 7pm

**AN OPEN MEETING OF THE
THE WOODHOUSE & DISTRICT COMMUNITY FORUM
WOODHOUSE LIBRARY, SKELTON LANE
ON THURSDAY 19TH MAY 2016 AT 7 PM**

AGENDA

1. Welcome, Apologies and Introductions
2. Minutes and Matters Arising of meeting held on
21st April 2016
3. Updates:
 - PCSO's
 - Community Youth Workers – Salvation Army
 - Neighbourhood Watch – Graham Postello
4. Library
5. Reports:
 - a) Trustees
 - b) Project Development and Learning Champions
 - c) Youth Forum
 - d) Publicity
6. Councillors' Information Session
7. Any Other Business
8. Date and Time of Next Meeting
16th June 2016 at 7pm