

**Minutes of the meeting held at the
Woodhouse Library, Skelton Lane, Woodhouse,
Facilitated by the Woodhouse & District Community Forum
Thursday 19th March 2015**

Attendees

Alan Charlesworth (Chair), Liz Turton, Kathryn Taylor, Howard Constable, Cllr Mick Rooney, Cllr Ray Satur MBE, Cllr Jackie Satur, Steve Noble, Graham Postello, Joan Longstone-Hull, Anne Kennedy, Lynne Woodhead, Judith Taylor, Margaret Wheeler, Margaret & Peter Doncaster, Dorothy Hamilton, Peter Wolstenholme, PCSOs

Apologies

none

1. Welcome & Introductions

2. Minutes of last meeting & matters arising

The minutes were accepted as a true record and no matters arising.

3. Updates - South Yorkshire Police

- Update on burglaries since last meeting - 6 dwellings burgled, 2 attempted, 5 thefts from motor vehicles. Improvement on last month.
- Anti-social behaviour on Severnside. Flats with 1 occupant and empty dwellings attracting undesirable people. Young people making a noise but no crimes committed.
- Cllr Mick Rooney has been stopped by a number of people complaining about the problems on the estate. Meeting planned with SCC to discuss the estate and the problems. Require an agency wide approach.
- Impact statements at the time of incidents may have more effect.

Steve Noble (Salvation Army) Report

- Increasing number of children.
- Funding been hit and impacted on the allotment project - feeling the loss of disability services. Toilet removed from the site. Management Group to develop work.
- The Forum would like to thank the Salvation Army for the Employment Plus programme.
- Centre Management - Christine has had to leave the project so there is an opening.

Neighbourhood Watch - Graham Postello

- Numberplate theft - can acquire numberplate security screws.
- Eurolocks still a problem.
- 1047 reported crimes in South Yorkshire 455 in Sheffield.
- Effectiveness of security - double dead locks.
- Concern re 'door knocking' offering services such as gutter clearing (Profinish').

4. Library

- First Aid awareness training on 10th for volunteers.
- Funding bid for co-ordinator has got past its first stage.
- Digital inclusion 3 days per week.
- Cllr Jackie Satur has received a comment from a member of the public to say how well the library is run - better than before.

5. Reports

a) Trustees - no meeting this month.

b) Project Development and Learning Champions

- 2 tenders ready to go.
- Employed Nicola Garnett for 5 weeks short-term contract for the Eat & Heat project looking at if people require help with choosing the best most appropriate energy supplier for their needs, and referring those in need to local Food Banks.
- 2 classes doing well in Westfield with a possible 2 more.
- Gathering interest for a new Craft Group on Thursday afternoons 1.30 - 3.30. To be self-funded but a possibility for group to learn new crafts/skills by way of courses.
- First Aid Course at Brunswick school for staff.
- Coffee morning tomorrow (Fri 20th March) for the Eat & Heat in Woodhouse Library and in the afternoon at Com.Unity.
- Also gauging interest for the Android/iPad tuition.

c) Youth Forum

Summer Fayre 20th June and 5th December for the Christmas Market.

d) Publicity

Peter gave a comprehensive list of publicity activity during February.

6. Councillors' Information Session

- Skelton Lane - comments rather than objections will be asked for in future.
- Complains about the litter around Beighton Road tip.
- Asked St Annes to be involved in Litter Picks.
- Potential to use land at St Annes for Community Allotments.
- Consultation was undertaken re the Badger Road improvements. When the estate was built there was not enough provision for parking. Have tried to come up with the best with the space available.
- Tannery Lodge site - test digging - no news yet
- Road outside Woodhouse West School - concern re the safety pedestrians especially children. Cllr Mick Rooney has been looking at getting road safety measures placed near the school. 1 household objected & the shop.
- Anyone with needing to contact Cllr Ray Satur MBE can call his home number on 2698605.

- Severnside estate - improvement works should have been done last October. Amey have been instructed to write to all households to explain where they are with repairs/works.
- Howard - wreaths at the war memorial get blown away - is there anything that can be fitted to hold them in place? Could look into possible LAP to fund this.
Mick - need to contact whoever is responsible for the memorial - could be a national organisation.

7. A.O.B

Tannery Park - Mini sports day on 14th April at 1pm between Brunwick & Woodhouse West schools.

8. Time and date of next meeting: 16th May 2015



**AN OPEN MEETING OF THE
THE WOODHOUSE & DISTRICT COMMUNITY FORUM
WOODHOUSE LIBRARY, SKELTON LANE
ON THURSDAY 19th APRIL 2015 AT 7 PM**

AGENDA

1. Welcome, Apologies and Introductions
2. Minutes and Matters Arising of meeting held on
19th March 2015
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
21st May 2015 at 7pm