# **Your Community, Your Voice Record of Meeting and Actions**

6:30 pm, Thursday, 16 October 2008 Held at:

Who was there:

Councillor Culdipp Singh Bhatti
Councillor Ross Willmott

#### INFORMATION SHARING - 'CAROUSEL' SESSION

The following information stands were sited in the room. Members of the public visited the stands and were given an opportunity to meet Councillors, Council staff and the local Police and to bring enquiries and raise and issues.

**Table 1 Ward Councillors** 

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At the conclusion of this informal session members of the public were invited to take their seats and take part in the formal session of the meeting.

#### 24. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor Clair.

#### 25. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Councillor Bhatti welcomed those present to the meeting.

#### 26. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made at this time.

#### 27. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

#### RESOLVED:

that the Minutes of the meeting of the Community Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> July 2008, as previously circulated, be confirmed as a correct record.

#### 28. COMMUNITY MEETING BUDGET

#### 1) Community Meeting Budgets - General

Jerry Connolly, Members Support Officer presented an update on the funding previously allocated by the Community Meeting from the Community Fund element of the budget as follows: -

Highfields Rangers	£900
(Summer soccer initiatives)	

Balance (Community Fund) £2,400 approx.

The balances available in the other funds were reported as follows: -

Balance (Ward Priority Fund)	£6,700
Balance (Community Cohesion)	£2,000.

### 2) Application for Funding (Community Fund)

Jerry Connolly, Members Support Officer, reported that an application for funding had recently been received as set out below: -

	£
Santana Football Club	<u> 1898</u>
Hall Hire	960
Training Balls x 4	40
Mesh Bibs – 36	90
Water Bottles – 36	108
Meditravel bag/first aid/ice packs	100

Corner poles and flags	30
16 x 20 catering	320
Stationery and consumables	250

The Community Meeting considered the bid and it was felt that only certain aspects of the bid should be funded and that certain responses should be sought from Santana FC prior to the funding being released.

#### **RESOLVED:**

that the following elements of the bid be funded, subject to satisfactory responses being received from Santana FC regarding their target groups, where the club was based and the funding applied for, and received, from other City Council Community Meetings: -

	£
Training Balls	40
Mesh bibs	90
Water bottles	100
First aid equipment	100
Corner poles and flags	30
Part funding towards cost of	40
stationery and consumables	
-	400

Subject to a satisfactory response this would leave a balance of £1900 in the Community Fund budget.

#### 29. DRAFT WARD ACTION PLAN

Jerry Connolly reported that he had drawn together the feedback received from previous meetings but it was unfortunate that the majority of the information was not specific or adequate to be able to follow up. It was therefore suggested that a better approach might be to visit local groups and identify any issues they might have and use these responses to form the basis of the Draft Ward Action Plan. This approach was supported.

#### **Issues Raised**

#### i) Speeding Traffic on Gleneagles Avenue

It was stated that, despite mini-roundabouts having been installed on Gleneagles Avenue, there was a lot of speeding traffic using Gleneagles Avenue. It was suggested that a way forward might be to identify what options would be acceptable to address speeding traffic on Gleneagles Avenue, these could include flashing 'Slow Down' signs and speed cameras. This approach was supported.

#### ii) Accident – Lockerbie Avenue

It was stated that there had recently been an accident on Lockerbie Avenue, involving a car and a cyclist, with the cyclist being badly injured. It was suggested that the Police be asked for an outline of the accident and whether further action was required. It was further stated that large vehicles

sometimes used Lockerbie Avenue and caused problems for other traffic. It was suggested that a 'Not Suitable for Large Vehicles' sign could be erected at the entrance to this road.

#### iii) Restaurant – Glencoe Avenue

It was stated that the restaurant sited on Glencoe Avenue was located on a blind corner. Visitors to the restaurant parked on the road, even though the restaurant had its own car park.

#### **RESOLVED:**

that the comments be noted.

#### 30. ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

#### 31. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

#### Domestic Violence

Stephanie McBurney and Shobhana Patel attended the meeting and outlined their area of work. It was stated that nationally around 50% of women were the victims of Domestic Violence. It was further stated that, on average, women were subjected to 37 Domestic Violence experiences before they reported their experiences to the Police. The Domestic Violence team attempted to encourage people to talk about their experiences and to get the appropriate help. There were currently a number of good resources in the City for Domestic Violence victims.

A Domestic Violence Campaign Week was due to start on 24<sup>th</sup> November 2008, highlighting Domestic Violence issues with number of events planned during the week.

#### 32. SOAR VALLEY COLLEGE

Mel Berry, Principal attended the meeting and stated that he would be happy to attend future meetings and outline progress on the works planned as part of the Building Schools for the Future (BSF) programme. It was stated that there was no funding allocated within BSF specifically for Community or Vocational education, although it was planned to utilise facilities at the college during evenings and weekends and the Humanities Block would also be available. The Hall within the Lecture Theatre would have seating for 250 people and could be partitioned off to create smaller areas. The Dining area adjacent to the Main Hall would have seating for up to 150 people. The new facilities to be provided would comprise: -

New Sports Hall Dance/Activities area Fitness Suite Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) Netball Courts.

Mel Berry was thanked for his presentation.

## 33. CLOSE OF MEETING

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 8.20 pm.