



Minutes

Big Local Central Jarrow Partnership Board Meeting

29th August 2017

Big Local Base, Jarrow Hub

Chairman Roy Merrin

Minutes Anne Corrigan

Present		
Roy Merrin	Chair /Resident Board member	Nicole Abbott Local Trusted Organisation
Anne Corrigan	Project Coordinator	John Drynan Resident Board member
Keith Hemmer	Resident Board Member	Madeleine Lynsley Resident Board member (volunteer with YMCA)
Mark Gibson	Resident Board member	Faye Hutchinson Resident Board Member
Cllr Jim Perry	Resident Board member	Vivien Forrest Resident Board member
Malcolm Walker	Local Trust Representative	
Sheila Spour	Resident Board member	
Welcome and Apologies		
Cllr Ken Stephenson elected member		
Julie Molyneaux Organisation Board Member		
Christopher Pickering Organisation Board Member		
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Minutes from Previous Meeting		
Agreed		
Matters Arising:		
<p>Unltd – notification of successful application. What will happen next Date- August 17...Awards manager will make contact by end August to arrange initial meeting. October - 2017...Meet to discuss priorities and agree the specific work to be undertaken over the next three years. Nov - 2017...Agree terms of the partnership and match funding arrangements by end November. January- 2018...detailed work planning and delivery begins.</p> <p>To establish a task group. <i>Action Agreed: A Corrigan, V Forrest, C Pickering, K Hemmer and M Walker to be the task group for the work with UNLTD.</i></p> <p>Apprentice: Sufficient to move funding around in the budget to cover the cost of the</p>		

apprentice an additional year without drawing down further funding. Local Trust have agreed the variation.

Riverside Steps

Cllr Stephenson has been in talks with A Whittaker and It has been agreed he will attend the November Board Meeting to give an update. A Whittaker has agreed the date and time.

Landscape and Gardening Project Update

A report was received from the landscape and gardening .N Abbott then gave a verbal update with regards to the work with the volunteers and the apprentices. The apprentices spend some of their time with the volunteers on a Tuesday afternoon and within Jarrow Hall.

The Chair expressed the marked improvement in the Grounds of Jarrow Hall and Anglo Saxon Museum since being taken over by Groundwork and asked that this was passed on to the relevant managers.

An update on consultation re the final Gateway Feature, The wrought Iron cross with the metal filigree work was the preferred design.

Discussion took place re the siting of the feature, original site was Monkton Terrace at the cleared area at the rear of Elberfeld Court. Some concerns had been raised as to whether the feature would be viewed from the road because of the barriers and an alternative site at the corner of Croft Terrace and Monkton Terrace would provide greater visibility.

Issue of area of neglected space following the development of the new housing around Linear Park and Friar Way, where most of the area has been reinstated, there is one area which is still in a state of disrepair. Board members felt the first port of call for this would be the Local Authority and South Tyneside Homes to find out who is responsible and to offer support to tidy up the area but not to take on the responsibility for this area. Cllr Perry informed the Board that the Local Authority are aware of this area and it was being looked at.

Agreed Actions:

N Abbott to liaise with Local Authority/ South Tyneside Homes to see if the landscape and gardening volunteers could offer one off support to tidy up this area.

N Abbott to speak with Local Authority and South Tyneside Homes to confirm which site would be most suitable and gain relevant permissions for installation of the feature. The Landscape and Gardening project to then progress the work to create and install the gateway feature.

Picnic in the Park

The Board were given an update of the progress being made by the Jarrow Community Choir supported by Tony McNally. Tony and Board member M Linsley have been collaborating with Friends of West Park to coordinate an event in West Park Jarrow.

The event will be a Picnic in the Park with live band and the Jarrow Community Choir. The event will take place on the 17th September 2017 2pm – 4pm. All the relevant permissions, risk assessments and event schedules had been submitted. Volunteers were requested to support the event, to steward and give information with regard to Big Local.

A suggestion was made to have activities on hand for children to do during the event, discussed this could only be possible if there was sufficient volunteers on the day to supervise and monitor the activities.

The Chair thanked Maddie on behalf of the Partnership Board for the work she has put in to get this event off the ground.

Agreed actions:

A Corrigan, M Linsley, F Hutchinson, R Taylor would be available to support the event. Other Board members would support if they were available but unable to commit at this time. Therefore small table top activities for children would be offered at this first event. If it is successful it could be built upon in future years with increased time to plan. A Corrigan to order a number of Big Local T Shirts for the volunteers.

Easy Riders NE Interim Board Support

Mark gave an update of the progress he has made to date with his Idea of a supervised and supported cycle club; supported through funding from the Unltd Star People Awards.

Mark has attended training to gain the required skills and knowledge and two further volunteers are undertaking the required training to become cycle leaders. Regular bike rides were now happening.

Groundwork have established links with the appropriate council staff Mark needs to be in contact with to look at viable options in West Park Jarrow, South Tyneside Council Road Safety Officer has offered to support Mark with the necessary risk assessments and the loan of some bikes from Temple Park.

Mark outlined some of the frustrations he has had in trying to get support to create the structure he needs to be able to apply for additional funding but the biggest barrier has been the location of a safe space to store the bikes and meet riders. Mark has the option of considering space at Bilton Hall Trust to run the club from.

The Chair asked what support Mark was seeking from the Partnership Board at this point.

Mark asked if support would be available from the Board to fund storage and running of the club at Bilton Hall Trust but also in developing his venture and setting it up as a

legal entity to access other funding streams.

Agreed actions: N Abbott offered the support of Groundwork as the LTO to support Mark to put a plan in place and talk to appropriate organisations such as CVS and Unltd to look at his options of developing his idea further in order that further funding streams can be accessed, and to support with the meetings and discussion with the council re suitable venue options for storage and a base.

The Partnership Board will continue to encourage and support Mark in his venture and to publicise, but not able to take on the full responsibility for the project. Unfortunately as Bilton Hall Trust is well out of the Big Local Area funding could not be committed to funding facilities on this site..

Looking to the Future

Discussion re coming to the need of the current two year plan and plan for the next one – two years would need to be submitted to Local Trust by the beginning of January.

Feedback from consultation at the launch event:

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What do we need to do to make this happen?

RESPONSES FROM THOSE ATTENDING:

- *Do something about the awful disruption from young people causing havoc around Abbey Drive creating a nuisance around Stanley Street.*
- *Publicise more, more grants, get people together through publicity*
- *Expand the area to include more of where Jarrow people live.*
- *More involvement of young people, Go into the schools.*
- *Simple advertising directed at residents.*
- *Approach groups that work with BME*
- *Approach groups that work with disabled people.*
- *Make a day of celebrating different cultures.*
- *Invest in good facilities.*

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- *Adults who work need to know what's going on and be involved.*
- *Work with parents of school children.*
- *More community groups needed, offering family learning and ways for new mums to meet.*
- *Consultation with young people on the streets re after school activities.*
- *Community groups for older people to lunch, socialise and meet people.*
- *Consultation with BME Community*
- *Consultation with disabled people of all ages. Ask them what their needs are.*

What activities would you like to see in the Big Local base?

RESPONSES FROM THOSE ATTENDING:

- *Business crèche to help support local people with business ideas and start up – pop up shop in the Viking Centre.*
- *Opportunities for young people to engage in after school sport 11-16year olds Monday – Friday.*
- *Litter pick at Jarrow Bus Station*
- *Community Cycle Club*
- *Fitness classes for new mums and toddlers/ babies.*

This is a snapshot of consultation and only from the one event but designed to start a discussion and start thinking around future years prior to beginning any plan.

From the snapshot and subsequent discussion it was apparent that “Communication and Community Engagement” need to be a high priority moving forward.

V Forrest: suggested that the Community Development Officer couldn’t possibly speak to every single person in Central Jarrow and that not everyone had access to social media, suggested that more frequent flyer delivery through people s doors. Should also consider having a regular market stall in the Viking Centre.

M Gibson suggested that to support increased community awareness the Project Coordinator and Community Development Worker should have Big Local emails and that the website should be stand alone and not part of Groundwork. To consider if all Board members would have a photograph on the website and up in the hub for identification.

Could the Viking Centre be approached to display a Big Local banner in an empty shop window.

The Chair suggested that as a starting point for the future planning discussion the Board should consider the current projects first and the impact they have had and what the cost would be to continue them in the future. Then when we have all the information collated from evaluation of the projects and consultation identifying need the Board will be in a better position to plan what services are required moving forward and would at least give a base to start the discussion in November.

Discussed sustainability and how the project can be sustained beyond the ten years, discussion took place around a building to generate income? Homes- to look to setting up an organization to generate an income to maintain the commissioned projects.

Malcolm Walker suggested a visit to Middlesborough as they have established this.

N Abbott gave information to the Board of a funding stream available through Nationwide to carry out research in the area to see if there is a need to challenge the current housing market model in Jarrow. It would challenge existing models and establish shared equity homes, with affordable housing giving residents an opportunity to get on the housing ladder.

The Board discussed the needs of Jarrow, the local community had never raised housing as an issue it hadn’t been identified as a community need.

Agreed action:

Project Coordinator to produce a budget forecast for current activities for future years

as a base to start planning discussions.
 To establish a task group to focus on Community Engagement.
 All members of the Board to support in spreading the word and with completion of surveys for analysis.
 To give some consideration over coming months of how to become sustainable past the ten years of funding.
 To consider website and email addresses.
 To consider photographs of Board members to be on display. This would require written consent from each individual.
 Invite A Watts to a Partnership meeting to give more detail with regard to the Nationwide application.
 AC to approach the Viking Centre re window display.

AOB

Next Regional Event in Hartlepool Sat 21st October 10.30-3.30pm to book a place contact Simon on 07787193968 or contact Anne Corrigan to confirm for you.

Dementia Friends: Mark Overton has been in touch and he is working to establish Jarrow as a Dementia Friendly Town, Hebburn already have this award. Mark would like to deliver a session to the Board, it will take approx. an hour.

Agreed action: AC to arrange an alternative evening to the Board meeting and open it up to partners to attend as well as Board members.

Shay has made it through to the finals for the YMCA awards, as such he needs to go down to London in September to take part in some filming ahead of the awards evening in November. This is a fantastic achievement, however YMCA nationally don't provide the funding for those involved to make the journey down to London for both occasions. The Board were asked if they were able to support Shay attending the events.

Agreed actions: To support rail costs for Shay and maximum of two others plus the purchase of an additional seat at the evening event.

The Board passed on their congratulations to Shay.

Keith Hemmer thanked the Board for the support given to fund his training course. He was happy to report he was successful and passed the course.

Keith also informed the Board that he had been accepted onto the Chairs and Vice Chairs group for Big Local and invited to attend the next meeting in October which would be in Blackpool. Keith asked if the Partnership Board would support with the travel costs.

Agreed actions: The Board congratulated Keith on his successful completion of his course and agreed to support him attending the Chairs and Vice Chairs meetings.

Date and time of next meeting: In Jarrow Hub

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- Open meeting 26th Sept 2017 at 6pm
- Board meeting 31st October 2017 at 6pm
- Planning and review meeting 28th November 2017 at 5pm