

**Fourways Area Panel
(Moston and Charlestown)**

**Minutes of Meeting held at 1.30pm, 22nd March 2007
White Moss Road Local Services Office**

Chair: John Ward

Present:	John Ward (JW)	Panel Member (Chair)
	Grace Choularton (GC)	Panel Member
	Pam Angelucci (PA)	Panel Member
	John Biggs (JB)	Panel Member
	Peggy Yuill (PY)	Panel Member
	Mavis Harris (MH)	Panel Member
	Francis Carroll (FC)	Panel Member
	Carol Downes (CD)	Panel Member
	Dorothy LeMoignan (DLM)	Panel Member
	Joan Fitzgerald (JF)	(Board Member)
	Cllr Eric Hobin (EH)	(Board Member)
	Larry Patrick (LP)	Director of Property Services
	Anne Duffield(AD)	Principal Local Services Manager
	Diane Roberts (DR)	Governance Support Officer
	Nicola Holmes(NH)	Resident Involvement Officer

Observers: Charlotte Grant (CG)

ITEM	SUBJECT	ACTION
1	Welcome and Introductions Introductions were made. A full Quorum was in attendance.	
2	Apologies for Absence Apologies given by: Rhonda Finlayson, Cllr Basil Curley, Hazel Entwistle, Ann Ash	
3	Declaration of Interests/Confidential Matters Items 10 and 11 declared confidential. Observers will be asked to leave while Panel members discuss these items.	
4	Minutes of Last Meeting CD was present at the last meeting but was omitted from the attendance list. The minutes of Fourways Area Panel meeting on 22 nd February 2007 were approved as a correct record.	Approved

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<p>5</p> <p>5.1</p> <p>5.2</p> <p>5.3</p> <p>5.4</p> <p>5.5</p> <p>5.6</p>	<p>Matters Arising</p> <p>AD was given plans referred to in 6.2.</p> <p>AD to update on Langland Road at next meeting.</p> <p>JF highlighted that 13.4 – the door at White Moss Road is still not sorted. LP explained it has been treated as Stage 1 complaint and that the part needed to fix is due in today.</p> <p>DR circulated 'Care and Repair' leaflets.</p> <p>LP explained that there are no plans to replace stairs mentioned in 13.3. PY commented that she was concerned with the slippery tread. LP said would look into it further.</p> <p>JF highlighted the concern over the lack of consultation at the Ward meeting. (13.5). There is to be a consultation event today at St John Boscoes Church regarding the proposed Sure Start Centre.</p>	<p>AD</p> <p>LP</p>
<p>6</p>	<p>Business Plan</p> <p>LP explained the plan has been agreed by the Board. Ideas from the event at the waterloo centre have been incorporated. A summary will go to everyone who attended the event and the full copy is on the website or available on request.</p>	
<p>7</p> <p>7.1</p> <p>7.2</p> <p>7.3</p> <p>7.4</p>	<p>Environmental Works</p> <p>AD updated the Panel with the suggested environmental schemes. AD requested that people try and get further ideas to her or Julie by 5th April.</p> <p>EH wondered how many children actually used the playing facility on Earby Grove. PA reported that it was well used in daylight hours. AD reminded the Panel that all suggested improvements were in the very early stages.</p> <p>JF suggested that all wooden fences on the Charlestown ward be replaced with railings. AD explained that this would cost a lot more money than was available to the Panel. It would be more feasible to perhaps target high crime areas.</p> <p>DLM suggested that handrails on the Dam Head estate be put as a priority.</p> <p>EH and PY suggested that the 'flying bedrooms' on Dam Head</p>	

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7.5 7.6	<p>should be made the highest priority.</p> <p>PY remained the Panel that areas not represented on the Panel need attention.</p> <p>JB suggested putting some railings on the low walls on Clough Top and Pinfold Avenue in order to stop people congregating. Also a kick rail for the quadrant.</p>	
8.	<p>PLSM Report</p> <p>AD updated the Panel with local issues.</p>	
9 9.1	<p>Work Programme</p> <p>DR explained that the work plan is fairly packed and it could be an issue to fit everything in. She explained that a community update section has been added in each month.</p> <p>JF expressed concern at the lack of officially recognised TA's in the area.</p> <p>DR explained that the number of TA's do rise and fall in every area. NH added that now there are also many other ways to get involved but that a new TA has just set up called 'Moorway Court' covering Kentmere and Cartmel Court.</p>	
11 11.1 11.2 11.3	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>Study Visit The Panel agreed to see if Rhonda is at the next meeting. If not then they will go ahead and organise a study visit anyway.</p> <p>Void properties LP explained about carrying out works (Decent Homes Standards) in void properties. LP said that if a kitchen or bathroom is in need of replacement and the property is due to have Decent Homes Work carried out in the next 12 months the work will be carried out to Decent Homes Standards funded by the Capital Programme. However, if the work is due after this time a lower specification replacement is currently installed. When the property has Decent Homes Work carried out this replacement will be removed and replaced with Decent Homes Standard plus components. The Panel agreed that this is wasteful and that one-off void properties identified as needing replacement of a major capital improvement element can be carried out in accordance with the full Decent Homes plus specification funded by the Capital Programme.</p> <p>PY informed the Panel members that a TA carrying out fundraising activity does need to purchase a 'Lotteries and Amusements Act Certificate'</p>	

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11.4	JF asked what Northwards plans to do about the new law regarding smoking in public places. LP explained it is currently being looked into for multi storeys and sheltered blocks.	
11.5	JF informed the Panel that Earle Gardner has invited the panel to visit the street cleaning depot.	JF to ring Earle for dates.
11.6	Observers (Confidential)	
10	Constitution Review Update (Confidential)	
1.	Date of next meeting The next meeting is at Simpson Memorial Hall on Thursday 19 th April 2007 at 13:30. Please note change of venue	
2.	End of Meeting The meeting closed at 3:45pm	