

## Committee Minutes

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# Craightinny and Duddingston Neighbourhood Partnership

Edinburgh, 7 September 2010

**Present:-** Councillors Tymkewycz (Convener), Ewan Aitken and Peacock; Giacomo Modica (Craightinny/Meadowbank Community Council), Ian Murray (Northfield/Willowbrae Community Council, Kevin McLean and Nadine Aliane (Lothian and Borders Police), Brenda Devlin, (Voluntary Sector Representative) and David White (NHS Lothian Representative).

## 1 Appointment of Convener 2010/2011

Councillor Tymkewycz was appointed as Convener of the Partnership for the last third of the remaining term of the Council.

## 2 Welcome and Introduction

Councillor Tymkewycz announced that Inspector Kevin McLean of Lothian and Borders Police was leaving the Neighbourhood Partnership. He expressed his appreciation and thanks for the Inspector's work and commitment to the Partnership and wished him well. He then welcomed Inspector Nadine Aliane to the Partnership as the new representative for Lothian and Borders Police.

## 3 Minute

The minute of the Craightinny and Duddingston Neighbourhood Partnership of 15 June 2010 was approved as a correct record.

## 4 ChangeWorks

Robert Barnham, Senior Project Development Officer, ChangeWorks, gave his presentation on Domestic Energy Awareness. This included the following:-

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- The activities of ChangeWorks.
- The training on domestic energy awareness being offered.
- Energy efficiency in Edinburgh.
- Energy efficiency in the home.
- Households using less fuel and saving money.
- Accessing grants.
- Related ChangeWorks projects through sustainable futures.
- Benefits to landlords.
- Benefits to tenants.

Discussion took place on the type of households eligible for assistance, the type of fuel households were likely to use and the need to make people aware of the benefits of the scheme.

### **Decision**

- 1) To thank Robert Barnham for the presentation.
- 2) That community groups be made aware of the offer by ChangeWorks to find out more about the Energy Saving Scotland Advice Centre.

## **5 Fairer Scotland Fund – Craigentiny and Duddingston Neighbourhood Partnership**

The Neighbourhood Partnership had previously agreed to carry out various proposals in relation to Fairer Scotland Fund (FSF) allocations.

Accordingly, Jim Hunter, the East Neighbourhood Manager, Services for Communities, outlined the recommendations of the FSF Funding Panel at its meeting of 27 July 2010. Details were given of the Neighbourhood Partnership's FSF budget allocation for 2010/11 and a small underspend by Circle. The Partnership was asked to consider requests from older people's services to agree an award to find a part-time development worker and from the Ripple Lunch Club for an award to meet the increased running costs.

Concern was raised about the need to clarify the method of accountability on decision-making on meeting local funding needs.

### **Decision**

- 1) To note the budget information included in paragraph three of the report by the East Neighbourhood Manager, Services for Communities.
- 2) To agree to the two recommendations in paragraph five of the report by the East Neighbourhood Manager, Services for Communities.

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- 3) To request more clarity from the Policy and Strategy Committee about the methods of accountability on decision-making on meeting local funding needs. This information would then be reported to the next meeting of the Neighbourhood Partnership.

(References – Craigentinny and Duddingston Neighbourhood Partnership 15 June 2010 (item 5); report by the East Neighbourhood Manager 7 September 2010, submitted.)

## **6 Neighbourhood Partnership Community Grants Fund**

Details were given of applications made to the Neighbourhood Partnership Community Grants Fund.

### **Decision**

To recommend to the Neighbourhood Manager:

- 1) To agree to the application for £2,000 for the Northfield/Willowbrae Community Service's Group for the Dementia Group to help improve the quality of life for older people living with dementia in the community.
- 2) To defer the award of £550 to Lifecare (Edinburgh) to provide equipment to deliver activities to older people with dementia living in the Partnership area, until more information was collected on the percentage of people from the Craigentinny and Duddingston area who used the service.
- 3) To note the opening balance of £15,284.
- 4) To thank the people involved in the Craigentinny and Duddingston Youth Forum.

(Reference – report by the East Neighbourhood Manager 7 September 2010, submitted; activities at Craigentinny/Lochend Social Centre, tabled.)

## **7 Neighbourhood Partnership Workplan**

The Neighbourhood Partnership had previously noted the progress that had been made with the Sub-Groups.

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### **7.1 Annual Report 2009/10**

Details were provided on the work of the Neighbourhood Partnership during 2009/10. An outline was also given of the main workstreams and challenges in the coming year.

#### **Decision**

- 1) To note the further progress that had been achieved.
- 2) To approve the "Community Engagement Plan".
- 3) To thank members of the Partnership Board, the community and partners, for their ongoing support and commitment.

### **7.2 Local Community Plan - Update**

Details were provided on the Local Community Plan.

#### **Decision**

To extend the life of the existing Local Community Plan until 2012. The plan would be revisited and updated in 2011, once more information on service delivery was known.

### **7.3 Environmental Forum – Update**

An update was provided on the activities of the Environmental Forum.

#### **Decision**

To note the update.

### **7.4 Health and Wellbeing Sub-Group – Update**

Details were provided on the Community Health Initiative, Old People Services in Northfield, the Food, Health and Training Hub, and Care for Carers.

#### **Decision**

To note the update.

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**7.5 Support for Families, Children and Young People Sub-Group - Update**

An update was provided on the proposed activities for the 2010 summer programme.

**Decision**

To note the update.

(References – Craigentiny and Duddingston Neighbourhood Partnership 15 June 2010 (item 7), submitted; report and briefing note from the East Neighbourhood Manager; briefing notes from Andy Matheson, the Roads Manager, John Palmer, the Public Health Practitioner and Colin Gough, the Senior Community Learning and Development Worker, submitted.)

**8 Date of Next Meeting**

Tuesday, 18 January 2011 (Northfield Community Education Centre, 10 Northfield Road, Edinburgh).