

Ponteland Community Partnership

Monthly Meeting

Date: 17th June 2015.

Venue: Merton Hall, Ponteland.

Attending: Alma Dunigan, Shirley Hill, Brian Prickett, Syd Cowan, Frank Harrington, George Clasper, Rob Anderson and Mike Brown.

Meeting opened at 19.00.

1. **Apologies:** Carl Rawlings, Robin Ramsay, Christine Greenwell, Sheila Campbell and David Gambles.
2. **Welcome:** Newly elected Chairman, Alma Dunigan, welcomed everyone present. She said she wished to present to the Committee her ideas for the future new profile for the PCP.
3. **Minutes:** Passed.
4. **Matters Arising:** Alma was pleased to report that £500 of the requested £650 would be given to the PCP by the PTC to establish a website. Although, in her absence, Christine Greenwell had expressed her preference for a cheaper website run by a High School Student the committee was in agreement that the one involving Chris Jennings and PN&V was the preferred option. PTC to be thanked for their donation.
5. **Monthly Meeting Date:** Due to Merton Hall now being booked for the third Wednesday in the month it necessitated the committee taking the 4th Wednesday in the month. In Christine Greenwell's absence this had to be confirmed.
6. **Chairman's View for Moving Forward:**
 - **Re-Launch PCP in September 2015**
 - **PN&V article on Re-Launch (Free)**
 - **Expenditure/Website/Insurance/NCYP and others**
 - **Meeting with Richard Powell from Community Trust for funding for October**
 - **Meeting with a local business for sponsorship re website and activity**

The Future

- **Meeting 22nd June with Alma, Ashley Brown, Rob Anderson and Jon Niblow of NCYP re activities and youth service provision.**
- **Monthly notice in PN&V re meetings and invitation**
- **New member – Nirmal Sehgal coming to July meeting**
- **Grant application to Lions and Rotary**
- **Meeting 25th June with Sure Start – young mums and babies**

- 29th June Alma training day/Democracy issues on Debating Skills/prospect of group from High School/opposing adults/ public as audience/business group- for Democracy Week on October 12th. Memorial Hall coffee lounge!?

7. Discussion & review of 5 Subgroups and outcome:

- Editorial
- Youth Activities
- Constitution Review
- Health & Wellbeing
- 1 Vacant

8. Discussion & review of Reports – and Outcome:

- Neighbourhood Plan Group-report by Alma
- Community Trust- report by Brian Prickett
- Civic Society- report by Mike Brown
- U3A- report by Margaret Chater
- Friends of the Park- report by Heather Forshaw (or another FOPP)
- Airport Consultative Committee- report by Sheila Campbell
- Ageing Well- report by Brian Prickett
- Environment- report by George Clasper
- Transport- report by David Gambles

9. Pont News & Reviews – Financial Report: Same as last month.

10. Sub Groups Reports to date:

Community Trust and Youth: Brian Prickett reported that on 16th June he attended a meeting of Ponteland Community Trust. One of the topics discussed was that of a suitable pilot project.

The possibility of refurbishing the youth facility at Twizell Place, currently on the Town Council long term replacement programme was considered in detail. If the project included the PCP play pitch proposal as well as replacing the exiting play facilities a combined Trust/Partnership/Council approach could meet the wishes of all three organisations and the needs of the young people.

When put to the Committee all were in agreement that the Community Trust should go ahead with this.

Brian asked the Committee who should represent the Partnership on the Trust Board and the unanimous reply was that he should.

Neighbourhood Plan Group: Alma Dunigan reported that they were well ahead with their submissions for consultation.

Their Core Strategy Consultation Group was questioning the NCC on issues not included in their Core Strategy.

A.O.B. Frank Harrington was asked to write an article on the inception of the PCP and PN&V for the Website.

The NPG was to have a Stakeholders Meeting and Presentation to show how far their Core Strategy process had taken them.

A rota for the reports on a 3 monthly basis was to be set up by the Hon.Sec.

Members were asked to each do a brief biop of themselves for the Website.

Meeting Ended at: 8.55.