

Ponteland Community Partnership
Monthly Meeting

Date: 19th July 2017

Venue: Ponteland Town Council Office, Meadowfield, at 7.p.m.

Attending: Alma Dunigan, Shirley Hill, Frank Harrington, Cllr Alan Varley, Cll Alan Hall, Robin Ramsay, George Clasper, Mike Brown, Pratima Mehra, Chris Winks and Nirmal Sehgal. Yvonne Ferguson observed

1. **Apologies:** Heather Thomas and Yuvi.
2. **Minutes:** Both April and June minutes were passed.
3. **Matters Arising:** None.
4. **Community Matters:**

AD reiterated that the NCC had withdrawn the Core Strategy.

5. PCP Financial Report:

At 12th July 2017 the PCP bank account stood at £1287.20. In due course an additional £50 will be received for its Highly Commended New Project for the Old Railway Line Bridleway in the Love Northumberland Awards.

6. Sub Groups:

Management Meetings:

A Child Safeguarding Policy meeting with Caroline Friend from Voices on Friday 21st July at the home of SH. The Designated Officer will be Pratima Mehra, Deputy Shirley Hill and Senior Lead Frank Harrington.

Ponteland Neighbourhood Plan Group:

Consultation completed Independent Examiners Report accepted by PNPSG.

32 Policies in the Plan, 12 unchanged, 13 minor alterations, 5 alterations and 2 changes.

Examiner made reference to the many PCP responses to the Policies.

AD presented it to the PTC on 12th July at their monthly meeting.

Police Representative:

A new representative was being sought.

Editorial:

Nothing to report.

Projects:

The continuation of the Bridleway Project from Rotary Way to the Airport was estimated to take place in October.

Pedestals for current project to be installed on Saturday 22nd July.

Perch Bench organised for Bridleway – Scouts to construct and install.

PCP entry in 'Love Award' highly commended and given £50 prize.

Article in PN&V regarding the 'Love Award'.

Website updated.

Funding and Financial:

Application for funding being made to the Community Foundation.

Youth Forum:

Pratima reported that Yuvi has had his meetings at home because his favourite coffee shop was closed. A new recruit has been added to the group, age 18.

Christmas Lunch for Older Residents:

AD reported that Cllr Veronica Jones had pointed out that this kind of project would be outside our remit and there was a regular provision for such events in Ponteland already. AD thanked Nirmal Sehgal for the suggestion.

7. Reports from other organisations:

- **Friends of the Park**

Latest report in May 2016 A.G.M Minutes.

- **Civic Society**

Mike Brown report in A.G.M Minutes

- **The Memorial Hall**

Robin Ramsay reported two donations of £10,000 from the Northern Freemasons and just under £3,000 from the Co-op towards the regeneration project.

- **Greenbelt Group**

Chris Winks warned that the Banks planning application “minded to approve” will need monitoring.

8. A.O.B.

Mayor Alan Varley agreed to “open” the first section of the Bridleway which will help to promote the next project and encourage residents to use all of the “Old Railway Line”

Mike Brown said that although NCC had withdrawn the schools Planning Application he felt a new application would be proposed.

Robin Ramsay reported that the Northumbria in Bloom Judge had praised, in particular, the design on Merton Way. The PCP 'Love Award' was incorporated in this. Britain in Bloom Judging takes place on 9th August.

Meeting closed at 8.25pm.

Date of next PCP Meeting: 16th August 2017 in PTC Meeting Room at 7.p.m.