

MINUTES OF THE TORMOHUN WARD PARTNERSHIP MEETING

held on 16th January 2007
at The Foyer

Present:

Gill Battye	Torquay Community College
Madeleine Cooper	Torquay Community College
Robert Excell	Torre Traders Torquay Chamber of Commerce
Maureen Giffard	CAPTARA / HVCA
Sue Smith	HVCA (Street Wardens)
Susie Colley	Health Plan Plus Ltd
Kevin Fannon	TCAG
Gill Hayman	Counsellor
Jenny Faulkner	Counsellor
Jenna Bundy	Chair & Hele Road Baptist Church
Mark Pocock	Windmill Centre
Tracey Cabache	Torbay Council
Sarah Briggs	Devon and Cornwall Police
Robert Horne	CRS Ltd
Y Harding	Torbay Foyer
Sarah Bugler	Torbay Foyer
Inspector Ian McCure	Devon and Cornwall Police
PC T King	Devon and Cornwall Police
PC S Briggs	Devon and Cornwall Police
Phil Vandenhove	Street Warden
Chris Thomas	Upton St James Parents

1. Apologies

Apologies received from:

Jenny Faulkner
Steve Stoppard
David Harborne
Sue Smith
Robert Excell

2. Minutes

Update on Action Plan on agenda.

Dog ban in Upton Park – proposal that all dog bylaws change to Dog Control Order. In March will be recommended to Council, 28 days consultation following that. Change will allow prosecution.

Public meeting re. Rebecca Smale foundation save the graves from vandalism. Proposal to open lodge at cemetery to use as a base for PCSO's anticipate need for £15,000. (£5,000 already raised).

Public Meeting 2nd March (Friday 1.00pm).

Councillor Faulkner agreed to be 4th signatory on Bank Account.

Question asked about controlled parking zone. TC responded – residents' parking, visitor tokens, yellow lines etc. Residents can expect a questionnaire within next 6 weeks. Following that will be a proposal street by street. Nothing likely to be confirmed for 6-8 months.

Agenda

3. Matters Arising

- Update on BSF build at TCC – given by GMB. Response from public exhibition.
- 50 visitors – 17 written responses.
- Majority supportive of design, and site security.
- Concerns around vehicular access onto Cricketfield Road.
- Will increase traffic. Presently looking at traffic calming measures.
- Move of all-weather pitch to bottom corner of site, with floodlighting.
- Planning permission to be sought in January '07. Fully opened and operational in September '09.
- Offer made for people to contact and come to TCC to look, discuss etc. Welcome feedback on plans until end of January.

4. Sub-group Updates

- a) Children and young people
- b) Community development
- c) Community safety

a) Chris Thomas gave feedback; see attached sheet and minutes below.

Additional Feedback SC

- 2 meetings SCM
- Citizenship Day – mock debate
- Revisit 1st December asked if could arrange for other speakers
- Student tasked with finding somewhere in TQ for a 'chill-out' centre

TCC students also spoken to.

Promise of 5 t/t tables from Director of Barnetts – SC

CT – said awaiting details of account before releasing funds to RE for more tables

b) Jenna Bundy gave feedback - sheet attached and minutes below.

a) Feedback by Jenna Bundy:-

Launch of Best Pub - need to spend money by March '07. Nomination forms in pubs themselves, forms to be returned to police station. Pre-publicity necessary * MG and JB to move this forward. Landlords want a certificate rather than a cup.

CT raised issue of mobile phones. TK said that matter is being reviewed. New CC so might be receptive to letters from community. Councillor Jennings waiting for meeting with CC. GH – suggested writing to Councillor Doggett, local Councillor who liaises with the police.

Ward Partnership have written with reference to removal of mobile phones from police. TK said that police in general would rather have the mobiles, in response to question from KF. CS suggested application to mobile phone operators to donate mobile phones.

Stephen Otter new CC based at Middlemoor.

5. Neighbour Improvement Plans – Tristan King.

- Divided into 3 parts

- 1 – Current issues
- 2 – Public issues
- 3 – Social issues

1) Need to feed into police objectives

- criminal damage suggested as focus. Full agreement.
- target areas/hot spots. TK asked for suggestions. FK said more a matter of response times. TK agreed and being looked at but need names of hot spots.

KF – Castle Circus

Ties in with neighbourhood watch.

2) Public Issue

ASB. Full agreement. Would involve NBMs, Neighbourhood Watch, PSCO's, ASB co-ordinator.

TC asked about tactics. Heighten patrols in hot spots, interviews from YOT, diversionary tactics – what activities are available in locality to divert away from ASB? TK would look to Community Partnerships to give this info. CT highlighted issue of where might ASB migrate to if some areas become 'too difficult' for ASB perpetrators. GMB asked about role of Jane Warren. Also said that Constabulary are trying to remove NBMs from TCC, Westlands and Paignton SCC. Meeting with Nick Bye today. TC asked reason for removal. Resourcing.

SC – asked GMB whether issue was around budget. Yes, want to redeploy officers because can not employ more. TC will follow up this matter with Constabulary. SC requested e-mail with info JB also to receive.

3) State of area (whatever that might be)

- residents/housing associations working together
- group asked to identify such places

TC asked if knew main perpetrators of ASB? Boys 13-15 years.

MP identified safer communities/extended schools looking to support diversionary activities. Winter is particularly difficult. SC said consultation with TCC and SCM students should identify activities that young people want and should reduce problems.

MP suggested Partnership ask Bob Plumb to provide training for youth workers/volunteers.

TK asked meeting to think under 3 headings and pass on ideas/suggestions to him. TC explained it was important for Community Partnership to engage. With police and neighbourhood. Implement plan. Police required to feed back to each meeting.

6. Need to set dates for meetings ahead, at moment meetings clash.

Tuesday 13 th March	6.00pm	Windmill CC
Tuesday 22 nd May	6.00pm	
Tuesday 10 th July	6.00pm	Public Meeting
Tuesday 25 th September	6.00pm	

7. Any Other Business

- 1) TC – no need for use of word Tormohun in title
- MG – thought good idea not to have a TCP Queen!
- KF – thought good name – majority agreed

- 2) CT - school crossing patrol. Only one insured is across Forest Road – very busy. Need one at bottom of Upton Hill. Extra crossing place on Lymington Road. Request for police to look at matter. Apparently highways do not see it as a priority.
- 3) KF – 2 weeks activities at Easter at Foyer for 9 year olds, could police be involved again?
- 4) TF – Street Warden Steering Group. Meeting agreed proposal – see attached sheet
- 5) Ms Anderson-Smith asked for list of pubs being nominated for Best Pub.
- 6) MFH – Candlelight carols in churchyard
 - very successful
 - short listed for Community Service Volunteers
 - MFH to go to a presentation in London
 - Development at St. Efrides has put forward alternative proposal – 13 residential units Developer would like to come to a meeting
- 7) Letters from the MP – reference football area at Upton Park, complaints made to Adrian Saunders.

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Children & Young People Action Sub-Group Report to Meeting on 16th January 2007

Sub Group Leads:

Susie Colley (SC), Kevin Fannon (KF) & Chris Thomas (CT)

Priorities (as agreed at WP Meeting on 12th September 2006:

- a) Consult with young people to identify their needs
- b) Campaign for play facilities at Torre Abbey
- c) Adult existing facilities and market them to ensure people know about them

Actions since last meeting:

- a) SC & KF met Marcus Lamborne at Torquay Community College to arrange Student Council meeting
- b) CT attended meeting of Friends of Upton Park/Community Group on 14th December 2006
- c) SC, KF conducted mock debate at Cuthbert Mayne Citizenship Day 21st November 2006
- d) SC, KF & CT paid return visit to Student Council at Cuthbert Mayne on 1st December 2006
- e) SC & KF met with TCC Student Council on 4th December 2006

Outcomes:

- a) **Torquay Community College** – similar issues raised at Cuthbert Mayne. Awaiting follow-up after school holidays

- b) **Friends of Upton Park/Community Group**

Group awaits reports on feasibility of providing lighting at the Park. Council is reviewing Dog Banning Orders across Torbay so unlikely to get an outcome for Upton Child Safe Zone until March/April. Groundwork are pursuing providing coaching events at the Park but may need some volunteer helpers. Await formal report on how much, and when, 106 money from SDC site development will be released. Bulb planting took place with Upton St. James Primary School during December.

Asked to bring the issue of Madeline Road one-way system signage to the Ward Partnership.

Next meeting Wednesday 24th January 2007 at 6.00pm in Upton St. James C of E Primary School.

- c) **St Cuthbert Mayne School**

Follow-up session on 1st December 2006 involved some 6th Form students as well

Discussed the type of activities youngsters would welcome (ranging across ice skating, music groups, more free rugby facilities, floodlit basket ball courts and a chill out café). Concerns raised about anomalies between bus groups and councils for student bus passes. Eagerness for a Decoy Park type facility in Torquay. Students have been tasked to prioritise their needs and wants and assess affordability with the help of TOFFY (Torbay Opportunity Fund For Youth). SC, KF and CT following up issues and seeking information across range of topics.

- d) **Table Tennis**

Robert Excell has obtained a quotation for one Joola Duomat Table and accessories at £595. Await confirmation that sufficient Tormohun Ward Partnership funds exist to go ahead and order. Sue Colley is also pursuing possibility of gaining further funding from other sources to pay for additional tables to be sited at the Foyer.

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