MINUTES OF THE AREA FORUM WEST

5 April 2011

The Area Forum West met at Water Orton Primary School, Attleboro Lane, Water Orton, at 6.30pm.

Present: Borough Councillor Payne in the Chair

Borough Councillors Lewis, M Moss, Phillips and Swann.

County and Borough Councillor B Moss.

In attendance: Angela Coates, Jenny Price and Robert Beggs -North

Warwickshire Borough Council

Alistair Rigby – Warwickshire County Council PC Nina Boden, and PCSO's Tim Staten, Caroline McMurchie and Gavin Scott - Warwickshire Police

Ian Thomas and Julia Rawlins – PCA
Carol Fox – Warwickshire Police Authority
Alan Vaughton – Curdworth Parish Council

C Ayasamy, Andy Jenns, Margaret Evans, Jenny Deebank

and Katie Trow - Residents

Steve Turner – Wood End Community Association

Tony Hardman – NW Neighourhood Watch Jenny Pearson – Hurley Community Association Rachel Robinson – NHS Warwickshire Public Health

Chris Chown - Water Orton Parish Council

John Wadsworth Kingsbury Resident

Apologies: County and Borough Councillor Lea

Borough Councillor Simpson.

P Ross and A Rimmer - Curdworth Parish Council

Bob Perks - Warwickshire County Council

Sue Turner – Wood End Community Association

Anne Garner – NHS

Lea Marston Parish Council.

1. **Declaration**

Councillor Payne declared an interest in Minute No. 9 Area Forum Funds by reason of being a member of Water Orton and District Tennis Club and vacated the Chair for this item.

2 Minutes of the meeting held on 27 January 2011

The minutes of the meeting held on 27 January 2011 were agreed as true record and signed by the Chairman.

3 Matters Arising

Signage

New signage installed at Kingsbury Road and junction of Wishaw Lane, Curdworth, showing industrial estates and village centre.

Survey of weight limit signage around parts of Nether Whitacre were found to be non standard and un-enforceable. Signage will be brought up to standard.

NHS Warwickshire

Ann Garner has left Primary Care Trust to join South Warwickshire Foundation Trust and therefore no longer the health representative for Area Forum West. No replacement as yet.

EMR Site, Kingsbury

Two visits by the Fire and Rescue Service. One under the terms of the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005. The inspecting officer was satisfied that the premises adhered to the terms of the Act. The second was a familiarisation inspection undertaken by local fire crews to update their knowledge of the processes and risks associated with the site.

Health and safety concerns were raised relating to a double line of containers backed up with scrap being used as a barrier. It was agreed that contact should be made with Health and Safety inspectors.

4 Safer Neighbourhoods

PC Nina Boden, Warwickshire Police, together with Robert Beggs, North Warwickshire Borough Council presented a summary of the progress and actions that had been undertaken on the three PACT priorities nominated by the Forum at its last meeting. A copy of the summary detailing these actions can be viewed on the Council's website www.northwarks.gov.uk via the link for meetings and minutes.

The North Warwickshire Community Safety Partnership Strategic Assessment 2010/11 summary was highlighted.

A general discussion then followed about the next set of priorities to take forward for this round.

It was decided that the priorities to be taken forward from Area Forum West were:-

- ASB and crime problems Water Orton Attleboro Lane / Vicarage Lane and the village green area including the use of an access route of the footway bridge into Castle Bromwich and Chelmsley Wood.
- ASB Wood End club car park
- ASB

 Kingsbury including nuisance vehicles at Pear Tree Avenue car park and asb at the recreation ground and St Peters Place.

5 Police Authority Update

Carol Fox, Police Authority representative, updated the meeting on the changes taking place within the Police service. These were:

- Strategic Alliance with West Mercia Police ongoing to report back at next meeting.
- Atherstone Police Station to move to Old Bank House. Front desk service now operational at the One Stop Shop in Atherstone.
- No decision yet on relocation of Coleshill Police Station.
- Police appointment system in place.

6 Public Questions and Parish Issues

None were raised at the meeting.

7 Health and Well-being in North Warwickshire

Rachel Robinson, NHS Warwickshire Public Health, presented a case history as background to a presentation highlighting the key health issues for North Warwickshire. These were:- high level of alcohol related hospital admissions; high level of obese children in reception classes; and high level of families in fuel poverty.

8 HS2 Update

The Chair highlighted the maps and consultation information displayed prior to the meeting. Dorothy Barratt (NWBC) was present to take any questions.

9 Area Forum Funds

Councillor Swann took the Chair for this item.

Three eligible applications to the Area Forum Fund were considered.

Resolved:

- a That Hurley Community Association be awarded the sum of £957 towards the project highlighted in the report;
- b That Hurley Kings Football Club be awarded the sum of £1,210 towards the project highlighted in the report; and
- c That Water Orton and District Tennis Club be awarded the sum of £2,955 towards the project highlighted in the report.

10 Future Agenda Items

Changes in the planning system.

11 Any Other Business

The libraries consultation programme was highlighted.

Concerns about the loss of the 777 bus service from Wood End to Atherstone were raised.

12 Date of the Next Meeting

Thursday 28 July 2011 – venue to be confirmed.

Chairman