

**BRISLINGTON COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP (BCP)
WORKING GROUP
MONDAY 19 September 2011
7.00 pm
Wicklea Youth & Community Centre**

PRESENT

Councillor Peter Main, Brislington West, Councillor Jackie Norman, Brislington West, Angela Piccini, Secretary, BCP, Steve Pearce, Chair and Treasurer, BCP, Ann Stobbs, BEC, Jason Thorne, Brislington Resident, Joules Taylor, Brislington resident and BCP webmaster.

1. WELCOME

Those present were welcomed to the meeting by the Chair.

2. APOLOGIES

Ali Hender, Brislington Neighbourhood Centre, Liz Venn, Friends of Victory Park, Theresa Driscoll, BCP, Gemma Dando, Brislington Neighbourhood Partnership

3. INTRODUCTION

We opened the meeting by reminding those gathered that these meetings are now project-focused meetings, rather than agenda-driven reporting meetings. This is in response to the changes in the community brought about through the effective Neighbourhood Partnership Forums, where community feedback and reporting takes place under the auspices of the City Council.

The July 2011 BCP meeting decided that it needed to move towards a positive, pro-active position now that many of its historical functions had been taken on by the Neighbourhood Partnership structure.

We also discussed appropriate ways to pay tribute to our much-loved Chair, David Waters, who passed away at home in July. Peter Main reported that he'd discussed with Gemma Dando the possibility of naming a Pride of Place award the David Waters Prize.

Action: AP will raise this in writing with GD. We also agreed to refer to the Wicklea meeting room as the David Waters Room, effective immediately.

Action: Steve Pearce will take Brislington Pride of Place awards to BEC for display. AP will send Ann Stobbs a Powerpoint show for Brislington, which can be printed off or displayed at BEC.

4. WELLBEING FUND

We discussed the Neighbourhood Partnership's reminder of the 23 September deadline. Louise Bale continues to sit on the Wellbeing Fund panel.

We also discussed BCP's still extant funds, which were granted in January 2011. We have not been able to progress drafting a job description for either the website assistant or the administrative assistant due to capacity issues.

Action: AP to confirm the terms of the fund and to draft job descriptions and call for applications, for circulation via e-democracy forum and Neighbourhood Partnership contacts. JT to send website job description to AP. Materials must be ready for 3 October.

5. BRISLINGTON BROOK PROJECT

SP summarised the project's history as an HLF-funded project that employs a 0.5 project worker for 3 years. The project blog is now online and activities have been scheduled. Themes include Young Explorers, Wildlife Watch, Pilgrim's Way, Watery Tales, Brook Trail, Stream Cleaning. AP has asked that her students contribute to the project as part of their assessed work in the autumn and is communicating with the project steering committee.

Action: SP to send JT a revised timeline for posting to www.brislington.org.

6. LOCAL SHOPPING, HEALTH AND TRANSPORT

Neighbourhood Partnership asked that we discuss these matters and feed back to them in advance of the Neighbourhood Partnership meeting on 17 October 2011.

SP confirmed that BCP still has £475 set aside for a shopping bag project. Jason Thorne reported that the Bristol Food Independence Campaign was launched over the previous weekend and that there is an opportunity for BCP to connect to that, with the potential for artwork to be supplied for the BCP bags.

Action: SP and JT to take this forward and have bags in place for November, in advance of the Christmas season. Anyone who is interested in getting involved should sign up and email through the Brislington e-democracy forum <http://forums.e-democracy.org/groups/bristol-bris>, Brislington Facebook group <https://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/158704310900/> or the www.brislington.org website.

JT reported that he'd conducted a sample traders audit in his own time, talking to traders about what they provide, what their opening hours were and why and so on. This activity is necessary as Sandy Park Road and other Brislington shopping areas are not delivering what customers are seeking. Customers are looking for independent traders who can offer longer (or at least later) opening hours, excellent presentation of produce/goods, a wide range of goods and who will respond to the Healthy Eating agenda. We also discussed the potential for empty shops to be occupied by NHS dentists and to be used as community and art spaces (eg, shops in Broadwalk, Broadmead and 212 Gloucester Road). JT is looking for more people to participate in this audit.

Action: Ann Stobbs will send JT her link at BEC. Anyone interested in working with JT, please sign up and email through the Brislington e-democracy forum, Brislington Facebook group or the www.brislington.org website.

7. PLANNING

We discussed the appeals from the Bristol Neighbourhood Planning Network to participate in Community Involvement work with developers involved in pre-application process. BCP does not currently have enough people in place to engage in this process. We agreed that we will keep informed of pre-application work but that we cannot comment on all planning material that comes our way for the time being.

Action: AP will pass any planning matters on to community via the e-democracy forum and aim to liaise between interested parties. Anyone interested in getting involved should sign up and email through the Brislington e-democracy forum <http://forums.e-democracy.org/groups/bristol-bris>, Brislington Facebook group <https://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/158704310900/> or the www.brislington.org website.

8 IMPORTANT DATES

Brislington Neighbourhood Forum: Monday, 3 October, 7pm, St Peter's Church. All welcome to participate. This is an open meeting for local priority setting and input into community activity.

Brislington Neighbourhood Partnership: Monday, 17 October, 7pm, Holymead Junior School. This meeting focuses on local decision making and formal progression of action plan. Public welcome to attend but chair to decide their involvement.

Brislington Neighbourhood Forum: Monday, 7 November, 7pm, location tbc

BCP Working Group: Monday, 21 November, 7pm, Wicklea. This is a meeting to progress local action plan and to work on specific projects and areas of interest arising from Neighbourhood Forums and from community approaches. Open to all.

Future meetings and locations:

Meeting Details

	Brislington Neighbourhood Forum	BCP Working Group	Brislington Neighbourhood Partnership Meeting
What is it	Open meeting for local priority setting and input into community activity	Meeting to progress local action plan and priorities and to host subgroups and updates.	Local decision making and formal progression of action plan
Who attends	Open for all people in the community to take part	Open for all people in the community to take part	BCP partnership members, public welcome to attend but chair to decide their involvement
Who supports	Police to take notes on priority setting Ariaf to facilitate additional work	Self-supporting	Area co-ordinator
Who pays for rooms	Police	Council	Council
Oct 2011	Monday 3 rd Oct 7pm – 9pm		Monday 17 th October 7pm –9pm Wicklea
Nov 2011	Monday 7 th Nov 7pm – 9pm	Monday 21 st Nov 7pm –9pm Wicklea	
Dec 2011	Break	Monday, 12 Dec 7-9pm Wicklea	
Jan 2012	Monday 9 th Jan 7pm – 9pm		Monday 16 th Jan 7pm –9pm Wicklea
Feb 2012	Monday 6 th Feb 7pm – 9pm	Monday 20 th Feb 7pm –9pm Wicklea	
Mar 2012			Monday 19 th March 7pm –9pm Wicklea

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