



Broxtowe Borough
Partnership

**Bramcote
Community Action Team
Notes of Meeting
Bramcote Memorial Hall
5 September 2011**



**Broxtowe
Borough
COUNCIL**

Positive People - Positive Leadership - Positive Partnerships

Present

Cllr S Heptinstall	Broxtowe Borough Council, Chair	SH
PC K Barlow	Nottinghamshire Police	KB
PCSO C Archer	Nottinghamshire Police	CA
J Balchin	Broxtowe Borough Council	JB
Dave Lawson	Broxtowe Borough Council	DL

26 residents signed the register

1. Welcome and Introductions

Local ward Councillor Stan Heptinstall (SH) welcomed everyone to the 42nd Bramcote CAT meeting and introduced Dave Lawson, BBC, Senior Planning Officer (Policy)

2. Apologies

Received from 8 residents:

3. Update on previous actions

Issue	Responsibility	Action
Hillside Road, Cow Lane and Derby Road - badly littered particularly near the post box at bottom of Cow Lane which was suggested as a suitable site for a litter bin.	SH	Litter bin installed at junction Cow Lane/Derby Road
Bramcote Golf Course – yellow arrow painted on the pavement on Deddington Lane which seems to indicate an entry point to the site, residents asked if this could be removed.	SH	Arrow now gone

Police visiting scrap metal dealers checking records in connection with increase in theft of metals	KB	Notts Police currently running Operation Metallica Scrap dealers/collectors being checked - if no licence reported for summons
Coventry Lane – fencing damaged near the site of the old tip allowing access to motorcycles.	SH	Fencing still damaged
Lollipop Person – request for volunteer lollipop person on Moor Lane	SH	KB to look into this now new term has started
Residents concerned re management of A52 by A1 Plus	SH	SH wrote to A1 Plus detailing residents concerns see response below
Real time display on Derby Road bus stops not working - awaiting delivery of parts	SH	SH clarified that LED displays give scheduled timetable not real time. Barton Transport acknowledge that the previous system did not work well and are looking into new provision
Chesham Drive - poor condition of the road surface due to wide pot holes	SH	Now repaired
Gateford Close - near to 21 Eastcote Avenue, pernicious weed known as horse or mares tail is growing through pavement.	SH	Resident to update SH as to whether this still an Issue (Post meeting note - this was dealt with but the weed is coming through again
Grass verges – condition of these throughout Broxtowe is very poor and needs attention	SH	Notts County Council had reduced number of annual cuts from 6 to 4, this has been reconsidered, there will now be 5
Concern re poor condition of some public areas.	SH	SH to enquire whether Community Payback scheme can be utilized for grass cutting - There are restrictions on the type of tasks which

		can be undertaken by those on the scheme due to the need for close supervision
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Details of response received by SH from AI Plus in reply to residents concerns re management of A52.

1. Traffic island, Sherwin Arms looks a mess – works programmed for next few weeks
2. Grass cutting needs attention – crews carry out cutting for visibility not aesthetics, a growth retardant is used to restrict regrowth. SH proposed that the Highways Agency should be contacted re grass cutting on trunk roads through urban areas, the meeting agreed
ACTION – SH to contact Highways Agency to request grass cutting on trunk roads which pass through urban areas
3. Restricted visibility, due to lack of cutting of verges at some access points onto A52 – Incident Support Unit has cleared 700km of verges this year.
4. Lack of information when carrying out noisy work – A1 Plus asked for dates to be provided, SH was unable to provide, PCSO Archer added that A1 Plus have now stated that letters will be sent out to residents when night work undertaken between Bardills/Sherwin Islands, the example given was Russley Avenue
5. Concern re additional traffic lights will make it more difficult for road users accessing the A52 from side streets to get onto A52 – Work is intended to ease travel and should have no adverse impact. The Priory island and QMC island will be signal controlled and priority will be matched to need.

The previous minutes were agreed as a true and accurate record.

SH updated the meeting as follows:

The Hemlock Happening 2012 will launch the Queens Diamond Jubilee celebrations.

Broxtowe Footsteps Festival a week long series of led walks, is taking place between 3– 11 September, there will be a variety of walks including a Community Safety Walk around Beeston Town Centre. A leaflet detailing all the walks was available at tonight's meeting.

Steve Austin, Bramcote Today – updated the meeting as follows:

There have been 27,000 views on the website which has been nominated for an award. An attendee thanked SH for judging the recent Art Competition which had been undertaken in order to form links with and raise interest amongst local schools, similar competitions may well occur in the future for eg short stories, poetry.

4. Police

PC Karl Barlow (KB), Notts Police, Safer Neighbourhoods Officer provided the following statistics:

The following crime figures were reported:

Description	Previous Qtr (08/03 – 06/06)	This Qtr (07/06 – 05/09)
ASB	19	17
Burglary	14	8
Auto crime	6	13
Criminal Damage	4	5
Theft	8	12
Robbery	0	2
Violence	5	6

Bramcote Figures Year to Date:

Burglary	–	down	30% (down 6 incidents)
Autocrime	–	down	38% (down 9 incidents)
Criminal Damage	–	down	69% (down 20 incidents)
Theft	–	up	35% (up 7 incidents)
Robbery	–	up	50% (up 1 incident)
Violence	–	up	21% (up 3 incidents)
Total crimes	–	down	34% (down 47 incidents)

KB went on to advise the meeting as follows:

Stapleford Police Station is due to close, it is intended that officers will be relocated to Stapleford Co-Op.

Section 59 powers relating to driving in an anti-social manner are being used to deal with nuisance motorcycles in the area, this has resulted in seizure of off-road bikes.

Local intelligence recently led to detection of a large cannabis grow in Bramcote, 550 plants with a street value of around £340k were seized.

Hillside Road – Lining of road has now been done, after an initial 2 week period of educating motorists by issuing verbal advice vehicles parked on solid white lines are now liable to be removed which will incur a cost to the owner. (Post meeting note: Nottinghamshire County Council has now advised that parking on white lines is not illegal in this county.)

Attendees believe speeding traffic is still an issue, KB advised that speed guns are utilized in the locality.

Speed Gun – KB now trained, Police Special officers are also trained and undertake regular speed gun duties, they are deployed this evening on Cow Lane. KB cannot use speed gun on dual carriageways and as concern has

been raised about speeding traffic on the A52 he will pass this on to colleagues in the traffic division.

ACTION KB to inform traffic division re concerns raised about speeding traffic on A52 through Bramcote

Cycling on Pavements – This raised as an issue by an attendee, discussion followed, attendees were advised that discretion is applied by the Police and attention is paid to this during patrols.

Tesco, Beeston – It was acknowledged that this is not within our area, however concerns were raised re young people riding in trolleys down car park ramps which is dangerous.

ACTION PCSO Archer to pass this onto to Beeston Town Centre Safer Neighbourhoods Team.

Neighbourhood Priority Surveys can be completed on-line at www.neighbourhoodprioritysurvey.co.uk

up to date crime information can be found on the Neighbourhood Alert system at www.broxtowecommunity.co.uk

Local police contact details:

PC 2882 Karl Barlow
karl.barlow@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk or on 07525 989423

PCSO 4662 Chris Archer
chris.archer@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk or on 07702 141766

Crimes can be reported anonymously by contacting Crimestoppers 0800 555111

SH thanked KB for attending and acknowledged the commitment to Bramcote by the local policing team.

5. **Broxtowe Core Strategy**

Dave Lawson, BBC, Senior Planning Officer (Policy) gave a presentation on Broxtowe's Core Strategy giving information about proposed levels of housing which will need to be built in Broxtowe. All information can be seen on BBC website and in local libraries.

A consultation period which includes a series of public meetings will continue until 03.10.11. Residents can respond via the website, by email or by letter if preferred.

It has been suggested that Broxtowe needs to build 6100 new dwellings between 2011 – 2028. 3100 of these can be built in urban areas, this leaves a balance of 3000 which will need to be built in green field sites. Approx 1800 might be built around towns and villages eg Eastwood, Kimberley, Watnall, Nuthall etc this will still leave a balance of approx 1250.

Proposals for these include two sites near Bramcote –

1. Land between Toton and Stapleford south of the A52, a proposed development of up to 800 homes.
2. Fields Farm, North of Ilkeston Road, Stapleford, a proposed development of up to 450 homes.

As up to date information and supporting evidence is needed in order to make an informed decision regarding housing provision BBC will continue to monitor statistics throughout the process.

After 03.10.11 BBC will publish a final draft of the strategy for comment, this will be submitted to the government and by the end of 2012 the Official Council Policy should have been made.

DL took questions.

Discussion followed during which the it was emphasised that if Broxtowe fail to identify sites for housing it may result in the Government making the final decision, this is therefore a very important process of which the consultation forms a very important part.

6. Residents Issues

- Footpath – Sandy Lane to Maidstone Drive and Brookside Avenue needs attention as it is covered with leaf mould and soil debris.
SH – this reported to BBC, it has been inspected and is safe, level and without ruts. A sweeper cannot be used as this would remove the gravel surface, the Friends of the Ridge group have been contacted and will be cleaning the path. (Post meeting note – this has now been done).
- Pot Hole repairs – these are not of a good enough standard, eg given Cow Lane, where a wacker plate is used to level repair but edges are not sealed with bitumen
ACTION SH to report dissatisfaction to Notts CC
- Wellington Street – Outside number 31, smelly drain
ACTION SH to report
- Closure of Stapleford walk-in centre – this was discussed. The Shelia Gibson unit will be relocating from Bramwell to the walk-in centre.
- Cow Lane – questions were asked re:building work at house at bottom near junction with A52, SH advised the meeting that all works undertaken have planning permission.
- Bramcote Hills Golf Course – SH spoke about an invitation he had received to visit the Larkhill Retirement Village in Nottingham/Rushcliffe at the invitation of an architect working for the owners of the BHGC. He was most impressed with the facilities at Larkhill.

The Silver Surfers group is now up and running and meets weekly on Thursday between 1 – 3 pm at St Michaels Church centre. The group provides help with computer use and in particular 1-2-1 guidance for beginners . Thanks were expressed to the Broxtowe Action Fund which allocated funding to the group.

7. Date of Next Meeting

Monday 28 November 2011

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