



Withernsea
Steering Group Meeting 15/10/15

Present:	<p>Residents: Peter Crawley (Chair), James Shaw (Vice-Chair) Andrew Fielding, Terry Dagnall, Torkel Larsen, and Donna Lyon.</p> <p>Partners: Nick Middleton (HEYCF/Minute Taker), David Burnby (BLR), Jayne Nendick (SHOREs), Jane Crossley (ERYC) and Dave Edwards (WTC).</p> <p>Observers/Guest: Matt Lewer.</p>	Actions
1.	<p>Welcome and Apologies Apologies received from: Richard Williman, Felicity Walmsley & DWP</p>	All to note:
	<p>Withernsea Neighbourhood Renewal Presentation (Matt Lewer)</p> <p>ML presented the barriers to regenerating an area when houses are in a poor state of repair and inefficient to heat; commented on decent home standard and the Withernsea housing stock that didn't meet this criteria.</p> <p>Goole was the first area to benefit from a Government funded initiative; houses benefitted from a "facelift" as well as energy efficient products. Withernsea was the next priority area but the funding stopped – however enough was made available to develop a row of showcase properties.</p> <p>5 areas have been identified within Withernsea to be suitable for the initiative which would assist tenants with their wellbeing and home finances. ML reported the following factors were considered to identify these areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pre-1919 housing - Do not meet decent home standard - Not energy efficient - tenants cannot afford home improvements - Negative appearance on the street 	

	<p>ML explained it would be unlikely Government Funding will be available again but finance model can be adapted to include affordable loans and/or train and promote trusted local trades people. Reiterated the purpose of the presentation was to make members aware of the initiative (the research, achievements and the options).</p> <p>Members had the opportunity to ask questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Measures in place to reduce risk of Landlord profiteering from charitable funding? - What interest has been shown from landlords/tenants for affordable home improvement loans? - How would tenants be held accountable if they were to remove the new features? i.e. new boiler. <p>ML explained the affordable loan model would be preferable but demand is uncertain and a process to stop funding being awarded and used elsewhere need to be considered. ML also explained within early stages of Goole initiative some landlords increased rent to reflect improved standard of accommodation.</p> <p>With regards to accountability this would need to be explored and included within agreements between interested parties.</p> <p>DB explained the purpose of Big Local charitable funds and the dangers of private profiteering. If support was given to one house, people might question the fairness and consistency if not accessible to all. E.g. Landlord given unfair advantage over a neighbouring responsible landlord.</p> <p>Members thanks ML for the presentation.</p>	
<p>2.</p>	<p>Minutes of the Last Meeting (17/09/15)</p> <p>Minutes correct and accepted with amendments to the attendance record.</p>	<p>All to note</p>
<p>3.</p>	<p>Matters Arising.</p> <p>To be covered within agenda; no additions reported.</p>	
<p>4.</p>	<p>Finance</p> <p>NM reported some financial decisions are now being made but some funds had yet to be released.</p>	

	<p>Quarter 1 & 2 finance report was requested by Local Trust; this was submitted and included Social Investment Fund projected costs.</p> <p>Report identified first instalment was behind profile due to no worker in post, High Street Fund not accessed and Communication subgroup still being established. Full report to be circulated.</p> <p>NM advised Qtr3 funding will not be released by Local Trust due to an underspend of £20,245.21 – anticipating little impact for the partnership.</p> <p>Qtr3 funding included Sea Front budgets; JC confirmed this value is not required in the next Qtr. If circumstances change the partnership can request the payment earlier (currently scheduled for Jan '16).</p>	<p>NM to action</p> <p>All to note</p> <p>All to note</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>Community Plan</p> <p>a) Fountains & Raised Seating Update</p> <p>JC explained Dong Energy requested a quote from ERYC for their press release; this was provided and included Big Local quotes and editorial notes. It was Dong Energy that pulled together the final press release and publication date was only provided on the day itself. JC received this on the day via email with no warning; therefore could not advise all partners.</p> <p>SG members expressed their disappointment for not being included and not being aware of the source of the restricted income. JC confirmed information was being restricted to her and not the wider authority as this was a condition made by Dong Energy.</p> <p>JC also explained the Dong investment was originally offered for one fully funded small initiative, JC negotiated with Dong to consider match and fund the raised seating and pavement fountains.</p> <p>All agreed lessons will be learnt. DB suggested in future that external funding conditions should be made clear and the partnership should be careful when accepting funding from unknown sources (if information is restricted this should be given in confidence to the Chair).</p>	<p>All to note</p>

	<p>JC confirmed funding now within ERYC accounts and Dong Energy will not be involved during delivery stage but will be included within opening event and publicity.</p> <p>AF suggested the partnership should have seized the publicity opportunity; especially when they are the main partner. JN also advised the how the partnership should be ready for further match opportunities.</p> <p>JC continued to update the partnership with news regarding the Plant Room for the fountains. Unexpected manufacture requirements means a structure needs to be built and the preferred location is within Memorial Gardens. A meeting planned for 20th October with the trustees; DE advised the group he was Chair of the Trust and cannot make comment. PC asked if he could attend, DE confirmed he would be allowed to observe.</p> <p>AF reflected on the charitable conditions on the land held in Trust and explained potential difficulties to agree installation of a plant room. JC explained the appearance and use of the structure would be part of the discussion.</p> <p>JC to arrange an update meeting after the meeting with Memorial Gardens; meeting to discuss outcome for the Plant Room, alternative options and the materials for the work.</p> <p>b) HEYCF Support Update NM provided a quick update regarding publicity and support for the Social Investment Fund; some groups are not ready for application and currently tasked with actions in preparation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - St Nicholas Church: letter provided however require the approved "Scheme" referenced within the letter (follow up meeting planned on 16/10/15). Members queried land permission. - School trail meeting still trying to be arranged. - Received a request for funding to help a new business. NM explained a meeting already planned as the person appears to have knowledge of the vision but may need guidance to understand the ethos of Big Local. Not expecting to progress request but may present a business partnership opportunity for the High Street Fund. 	<p>All to note</p> <p>PC to attend meeting</p> <p>JC to action</p>
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	<p>Seaside Radio (Media Hub Consultant)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The SIF panel proposed a dedicated meeting to discuss the 9th October presentation findings. - Agreed 5.30pm 26th October @ SHOREs 	<p>Sif Panel members to note meeting date:</p>
6.	<p>Media & Communications</p> <p>JS advised the “what’s on” website page and domain is now live and attracting interest from local groups wishing to promote their work (www.whatsonwith.co.uk). Problems with mobile compatibility but the developer is looking to fix in the near future.</p> <p>Subgroup met on 7th October at HEYCF office; attendees included Mike Bisby & John Olivent. Discussions became focused on a quick win to engage local businesses by using Federation of Small Business. Now planning an event mid-November to take place with a local café; FSB are providing promotion support and some funding.</p> <p>Next meeting planned for 20th October venue HEYCF; anticipating the venue will change to meet new member’s availability.</p> <p>NM asked if SG members are aware of a list for local businesses? AF advised 141 are located within the town and list should be available from WTC Kerry Dawson.</p>	<p>JS to action</p> <p>All to note</p> <p>NM to follow up</p>
7.	<p>AOB</p> <p>AF requested a copy of the Local Trust finance report (including breakdown).</p> <p>No other business discussed.</p>	<p>NM to action</p>
	<p>Next Meeting 19th November 2015 – 7pm at Shores Centre</p>	<p>All to note</p>