



## Bellingham Assembly Coordinating Group Minutes

**Monday 10 September 2012, 7pm-9pm  
St Dunstans Hall. Bellingham Green**

### **Attendees**

Councillor Ami Ibitson	Councillor Alan Hall - Chair
Councillor Jacqui Paschoud	Rosemary Davies
Mark Saunders	Thelma Daniels
Julian Rouse	Carmen Lindsey
Nancy Stridgen	Edward Blyden

### **Apologies**

Rev Raymond Singh	Antony Scully
Joy Prime	Cassandra Flavius

### **1. Introductions, apologies and declarations of interest**

#### **Declarations of Interest**

Julian Rouse – Bellingham Community Project

Rosemary Davies – Young at Heart

Thelma Daniels – Phoenix Residents Board Area 5

Cllr Ami Ibitson – Church Warden St Dunstans

Cllr Alan Hall - Board member, Phoenix CH and Chair of Bellingham Health Forum

### **2. Minutes of the previous co-ordinating group meeting**

It was asked that the minutes of the previous meetings are circulated to the group a week before the meeting. **NS**

It was asked that answers to the assembly fund projects questions in the last minutes are circulated. **NS**

It was requested that the African Family Project are contacted to see if they are receiving support as they did not receive funding. **NS**

### **3. Assembly Fund**

#### **Review of the 2012-2013 projects**

It was asked that the group are given feedback on the match funding situation for the Open Futures project. **JR**

It was requested that the Youth Theatre update the group on how they are recruiting young people from Bellingham for the project and if post codes are being used. **NS**

It was requested that Luncheon Club OlympAge Games project and Palmers boxing Academy also update the group on their projects. **NS**

### **Sydenham Community Library**

It was asked how the community library advertises its activities in Bellingham and whether Phoenix have all the details. **AS**

### **Remaining Assembly Fund**

The group agreed to ask the Assembly on 9 October if the remaining monies should be awarded to the three Bellingham Festivals; Carols on the Green, Home Park Family Fun Day and Bellingham Festival. The fund amounts to £5,069 - £1,319 Assembly Fund and £3,750 Councillors discretionary fund.

### **Know Your Neighbour Day**

Edward Blyden spoke about Home Parks' 'Know your Neighbour Day' which Home Park TRA would like to make a regular event in the area. He advised that less people nowadays are friendly with their neighbours and this is a project to build community relationships. It was suggested that the Friends of Home Park help Home Park TRA with this and that there are links with the Family Fund Day next year. It was asked that Lewisham Homes are approached for funding for these events. **EB&AS**

## **4. Assembly Action Plan**

### **A Twitter account**

It was confirmed that the first tweet would be the meeting details for 9 October meeting. It was discussed that twitter would be a good way for young people to be updated about the assembly and its work.

It was suggested that the youth apprentices could tweet about the assembly if they start working with the assembly. Until then Mark Saunders agreed to run the account. It was suggested that the feed could be on Friends of Home Park blog and Bellingham Community Project websites. **MS**

### **C2 Meadowview Road Traffic Calming**

Get an update from highways. **NS**.

### **D2 Home Park changing rooms**

Get an update from Steve Gough and Colin King. **NS**

### **E1 More social services community groups getting help with form filling and entitlement of benefits**

It was advised the Lewisham Disability Coalition will be moving to the rent office shortly.

### **New residents in Bellingham**

Ideas about engaging with new residents in the large new builds in Bellingham ward were discussed. It was asked how the council were going to initially communicate with residents and if they could be made aware of the assembly. **NS**

## **5. Planning for 9 October assembly meeting**

### **Safer Neighbourhood Team**

It was asked that the Safer Neighbour Team are invited to give an update and take questions at the assembly. It was also asked that the Inspector is invited to attend.

**NS**

### **Agenda for 9 October Assembly**

- 7pm Welcome from Cllr Hall
- 7.03 Bellingham Festival Film
- 7.10 Assembly Fund (remaining funding)
- 7.20 Update from Bellingham Safer Neighbourhood Team
  - Questions from the Assembly
- 7.50 Refreshment break
  - Please look at the display on the work of the Assembly
- 8.00 Bellingham Assembly's Action Plan
- 8.15 Table Discussions
  - What did the Assembly do well?
  - What more does the Assembly need to do?
- 8.40 Feedback from each table
- 8.50 Community updates
- 9.00 End of meeting

## **6. Any Other Business**

It was asked that Bellingham Health Forum, the Deanery's GP Scheme and Well London are discussed at the next coordinating group meeting. **JR to present NS to schedule.**

### **Bellingham Festival comment cards**

It was confirmed that the comments from residents at the festival will be added to the action plan and casework files. **NS & Cllrs**

### **Lewisham Hospital discharge**

Thelma Davies commented that she had written to the Chief Executive of Lewisham Hospital to complain about the many older people being discharged

improperly and without an adequate care plan in place. She has not had a reply and would like the assembly to help investigate this. **Cllrs & NS**

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<b>D2 Home Park changing rooms</b> Get an update from Steve Gough and Colin King. <a href="#">It is hoped (subject to finances) to commission landscape architects to consider the whole frontage of Home park including possible options for the changing rooms. Following consultation they will develop costed plans for the frontage. Options could include an offer of long lease for possible cafe/sports use or demolish. Once we have costed designs the community group/council can then try to bid externally for funding.</a>	<b>NS</b>
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