

RAMSEY NEIGHBOURHOOD MANAGEMENT (NM)
- BOARD MEETING

20th April 2010 – Ramsey Police Station

Present: Inspector Steve Poppitt Cambridgeshire Constabulary
 (SP)
 Penny Litchfield (PL) Neighbourhood Manager – Ramsey
 Cllr, Pete Reeve (PR) Cambridgeshire County Council
 Abi Ferrell (AF) Community Member
 Ian Curtis (IC) (Chair) Community Member
 Zoe Cook (ZC) Community Member
 Adam Wagstaff (AW) Community Member
 Trevor Roberts (TR) Luminus

Apologies: Sue Smith (SS) Health Improvement Specialist – Cambs NHS
 Phillip Swales (PS) Counsellor – Hunts District Council
 Jo Voce (JV) Locality Manager
 Kerry Skinner (KS) Community Member

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| 1. | Introductions and welcome: Inspector Steve Poppitt introduced himself as Rachel Gourlay's replacement, representing Cambs Police. | |
| 2. | <p>Previous Minutes Action Points and matters arising:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PR to approach Andy Monks to replace PS on the Board:- Done. Andy Monks keen to become the District Cllr on the Board but HDC advise that PS has to stay on. PL has spoken to PS – he is unclear of the role of a county counsellor on the Board. As PS has only attended one meeting he does not fit the new criteria of attendance on the agreed Terms of Reference. <p>Action: wait until after the election and PL will seek clarification of district council membership.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kerry Skinner is on the Neighbourhood News editorial team. PR and Marketing: - SP will speak to the police PR person to see if she can offer any advice/support. | <p>PL</p> <p>SP</p> |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Council Media Training Courses:- PL enquired if any Board member can attend the course, but it is only for Hunts District Council staff. • Website: PL as had an offer from Nyree Scott Cambs County Council to design a 'Ramsey Town' website for Neighbourhood Management. Board agreed it would be a good idea to meet her. Action: PR to liaise with Nyree Scott at CCC to organise a meeting • Hunts North NM Board Development Day:- PR would like to attend if possible. | <p>PR</p> <p>PR</p> |
| <p>3.</p> | <p>Board Membership Terms of Reference: SS has not attended many meetings due to health issues. The Board needs a local health professional to replace SS. Action: PL to write to both practices in Ramsey</p> <p>Kerry Skinner has not attended Board meeting for various reasons, but she is keen to work on Neighbourhood News. IC suggested getting in touch with the other nominees from the board election to see if they are interested in taking Kerry's place? AW: Thinks that keeping the Board as it is until the next board election. All agreed. Action: All agreed to keep the Board as it is.</p> | <p>PL</p> |
| <p>4.</p> | <p>Neighbourhood News (NN) Proposal Board agreed it is a good idea for NN to merge with Ramsey Matters. The advantages to this are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paid advertising – Vera Woolmer who worked for the Town Centre Partnership will be available to help with this (extra resources) • Bigger (more pages) • Larger printer – HDC will purchase a professional printing machine <p>The Board would like 'Ramsey' put into the title of the newsletter and it be available to the villages. Action: PL to liaise with Town Centre Partnership</p> | <p>PL</p> |

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| 5. | <p>Neighbourhood Agreements Process</p> <p>'Things to do in Ramsey' is based around leisure activities. Currently there is a working party of around 15 people, who have already carried out two surveys. Next will be a series of focus group discussions to explore the survey data. This will be followed by meetings with service providers to draft the agreement.</p> <p>The Agreement is hoped to be finalised by this summer.</p> | |
| 6. | <p>Invitation to Ramsey Town Council</p> <p>PL sent a copy of the Action Plan to Ramsey Town Council. (RTC) following this RTC would like a discussion about why they should be involved in NM in Ramsey.</p> <p>Agreed to invite the RTC to an evening, put on by the Board, as a positive action to work towards working together.</p> <p>Essential that all the Board attends to show a united front to support action for the good of Ramsey.</p> <p>Board will need to discuss presentation/QA ideas.</p> <p>Venue: Community Centre</p> <p>Date: In June. IC to get a couple of dates convenient to the RTC.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action: IC to talk to RTC</p> | IC |
| 7. | <p>Working Party Update</p> <p><u>Community Safety:</u></p> <p>Tidy up Day/Environmental Audit: Planned for June/July time.</p> <p>Next meeting: SP to arrange with IC and PR</p> <p style="text-align: center;">IC to circulate date ASAP so NM can drum up support.</p> <p><u>Job Skills and Training:</u></p> <p>Merged with Stronger Links Group at Abbey College (Charles Dallywater). Working really well.</p> <p><u>Health and Well Being:</u></p> <p>PI has spoken with SS. Suggestions that the three priorities – smoking, alcohol and obesity have speakers come to the working party meeting.</p> <p>Next working party meeting: June 29th at 2pm at Neighbourhood Office. Subject Obesity and Chip programme.</p> <p>Health Statistics: Board would like to see the health presentation previously given to the shadow board, ideally with and update.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Action: PL to speak to SS</p> <p><u>Transport:</u></p> | <p>SP/IC/PR</p> <p>IC</p> <p style="text-align: center; vertical-align: bottom;">PL</p> |

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| | <p>Have not met since 2nd October 2009. Reason is that not an awful lot to do as the Transport Strategy has been adopted at a higher level of the council.</p> <p>Big Bike Club – bid was unsuccessful by Hunts Forum.</p> <p>And as this Issue is still important, may be the best focus for the group</p> <p>Action:SP will contact the local schools and ask if they have done Cycling Safety.</p> | SP |
| 8. | <p>Securing the future of NM</p> <p>National Lottery, East of England office has awarded Ramsey NM 1.2 million pounds over 10 years (125k annually).</p> <p>This huge investment reflects the need for rural communities to tackle deprivation and apathy even in the relatively wealthy district of Huntingdonshire, and is coming to Ramsey in recognition of the work started by the NM approach here and its success with engaging local people in taking action for positive change.</p> <p>The money is to be used for revenue not capital spending (ie people not buildings) so for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More staff • Participatory Budgeting (grants to small groups) • Greater involvement activities <p>The NM Board will be a central part of discussions as decisions about how to allocate the money. Final authorisation of the funding will be given on 12th May.</p> <p>Action: PL to contact Board members with news after 12th May</p> | PL |
| 9. | <p>Any other Business</p> <p>Can the board become join Hunts Forum to help with funding bids/paperwork etc?</p> <p>Action: PL to contact Julie Farrow at Hunts Forum</p> <p>Can the Board become members of the Town Centre Partnership?</p> <p>Action: PL to contact Vera Woolmer at TCP.</p> | PL PL |
| 10. | <p>Date of next meeting:</p> <p>6th July – 5.15pm at Ramsey Police Station.</p> | |