

HALLIWELL AREA FORUM

INFORMAL MEETING 16TH NOVEMBER 2010

Present – 18 members of the public attended the meeting.

Councillor Morris (Chair) - Halliwell Ward

Also in attendance

John Rowlands	-	Assistant Director, Customer Services
John Shannon	-	Area Coordinator, Chief Executives Department
Elaine Dugdill	-	Halliwell Neighbourhood Support Officer , Chief Executives Department
Shaheen Sameja	-	Halliwell Neighbourhood Manager, Chief Executives Department
Malcolm Russell	-	Head of Service, Environmental Services
Andy Walker		Head of Service Enterprise Employment and Skills
Steve Bottrill		General Manager and Company Secretary, Bolton Wise
Ian Platt	-	Community Housing Manager Bolton at Home
Sgt Kevan Lister	-	Greater Manchester Police

Councillor Morris was in the chair

Apologies were submitted on behalf of David Crausby MP, Councillors Linda Thomas and Akhtar Zaman, and Sue Johnson.

19. INTRODUCTION

Councillor Morris welcomed everyone and introduced those persons in attendance.

20. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 28th September were submitted and approved as a correct record subject to it being noted that abbreviations would not be used unless accompanied by an explanation of their meaning.

21. UPDATE ON ACCESS TO EMPLOYMENT AND MONEY SKILLS OPPORTUNITIES IN HALLIWELL

A presentation was given by Andy Walker outlining current arrangements for help and support on money advice and access to employment in Halliwell.

Mr. Walker also highlighted contacts for services and future actions being explored.

Mr. Bottrill then gave a short update of services provided by Bolton Wise. These included the Step Up programme; Future Jobs Fund programme and Looking 4 Work programme.

The presentation was followed by questions which were responded to.

Resolved - That the presentation be noted.

22. UPDATE ON AREA FORUM BUDGETS AND PROJECTS

Budgets devolved to the Area Forum where reported as at the previous meeting and the balances were:-

Area Based Grant (ABG)	-	£0.00
Area Forum Budget (AFB)	-	£0.00
Highways Maintenance (HM)	-	£0.00
Voluntary Sector Grant (VSG)	-	£1,906.00
New - Positive Contributions Budget (PCB)	-	£5,000.00

Resolved - That the report be noted.

23. NEIGHBOURHOOD MANAGEMENT UPDATE

A short presentation was given by Shaheen Sameja on Neighbourhood Management including feedback from the Halliwell Women Together event and priorities for 2010/11 these covered the following:

Respect Me Respect You that was held in April 2010
 Halliwell Walkabout – July 2010
 Halliwell clean up day – August 2010
 Bolton Wanderers FC Schools Tournament – July 2010
 Forthcoming – Arts project

Resolved - That the presentation be noted.

24. CHAIR'S CLOSING REMARKS

Councillor Morris concluded the meeting by thanking everyone for attending. He announced that the next Halliwell Area Forum would be on the 18th January 2011 and would take place during the day with the time and venue were still to be confirmed. He also added that a presentation on Integrated Community Health Services would be given at the next meeting

(The meeting started at 13.10pm and finished at 13.55pm)