

Minutes of the Carholme Community Forum

held on Thursday 5th February in Committee Room 3, City Hall at 5.30 pm

Apologies

Rob Lewis; Jon Davis; Gary Stimson; Emily Wood; Dan Hargreaves; Beatrice Kelly

Approval of the minutes and matters arising

- The minutes were approved.
- It had not been possible to arrange a play park/FOWEPs meeting due to availability issues. Amanda and Sarah from FOWEPs had been due to come to this meeting but illness meant that neither could attend. Lucinda Preston said she would contact them to re-arrange another meeting (separate to the Forum).

Action: Lucinda Preston

- Neil Murray updated the Forum on planters for Carholme Road – it looked like that the County Council might be able to find three and said he was looking to meet with them on Tuesday. Lucinda said she was free part of Tuesday and might be able to come along. Lynn Ritson said that Crinkles (formerly Continental Landscapes) had been giving some large planters away. Lucinda said she would find out if they had any left from Steve Bird at the City Council.

Action: Lucinda Preston

- Lucinda and Sandra Lewis were arranging a ward walk.

Action: Lucinda Preston and Sandra Lewis

- There had been agreement that a meeting would be arranged with Dan Hargreaves regarding a gala but there hadn't been a chance for this to happen yet.

Action: Lucinda Preston

- Following intervention by the City Council's Waste Enforcement Team, there had been action on 18, York Avenue.

2. Policing and ASB

Jessie Shorrocks asked about CCTV. Neil confirmed that there wasn't a majority in favour of the cameras. There was a discussion around the advantages of cameras and why residents

sometimes don't want them. Alison Griffiths commented on some of the difficulties in Liquorice Park.

5. Community

There were planning applications to turn HMOs into flats (Albert Crescent and Hewson Road). This was evidence that the area was transitioning to more traditional residential properties. However, it was pointed out that this would result in more parking permits being issued and further pressure on local parking.

Neil noted potential consultation on two our parking bays in the area. Jessie asked if this would include any bays in the Alexandra Terrace area and Neil said yes.

There was a planning meeting discussion about 'footpath 3' off Burton Road (going through a Lincolnshire Wildlife area). Neil and Lucinda were going to this.

6. Street Scene

Sandra Lewis reported issues with the company Brown and Mason in relation to it taking up much-needed parking spaces. Lucinda said she would speak to the City Council.

Action – Lucinda Preston

Alison noted the ongoing problems with Belle Vue Terrace in relation to bins and parking. Neil said he would pick up the parking issues and Lucinda would contact the City Council again re: bins.

Action: Neil Murray and Lucinda Preston

There were issues with idling engines near St Faith's Juniors. Lucinda said she would speak to the headteacher at the school to see if he could send some more communications out.

Action: Lucinda Preston

There was some discussion about the bus bays on Yarborough Road.

Jessie asked about the new food waste collection and the Victoria Street area. Lucinda said she would look into it.

Action: Lucinda Preston

7. Carholme Environment

There was some discussion about the planting of wildflowers near George Woolfenden's tree and around the difficulties of establishing wildflowers. Lucinda said she would contact Steve Bird. It was also suggested that the issue was brought to the Commons Advisory Panel.

Action: Lucinda Preston

Lucinda was to meet with Cath regarding the Carholme environment and Lincoln Climate Commission.

Action: Lucinda Preston and Cath Croxton

Any Other Business

Marianne Langley commented that there were fewer cars parking around the Brayford as wardens were doing more patrols.

Lucinda discussed police strategy – they now had funding but needed to train more police. Neil asked Lucinda to invite the police to the next Forum meeting.

Action: Lucinda Preston

Lynn is leading a group looking to renovate Ellis Mill and is encouraging people to write to Historic England and let them know that it should be on the At Risk Register.

Action: Lynn to send information to Lucinda for distribution.

Lynn is also leading a group looking to restore the Lawn Play Park. Historic England objected to the new play park moving location nearer to Stokes. Lucinda said she would look into this. She noted that the City Council was supportive of the park and improving it.

Action: Lucinda Preston

A Burton Road resident, Alan Walker, had formed a residents' group. Lucinda asked Neil to get Alan's email address so she could invite him to the next Forum meeting.

Action: Neil Murray

8. **Dates of next meetings: to be confirmed.**

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Present:

Sandra Lewis	WERA
Elizabeth Wilson	LLRA
Jacqueline Mayer	University of Lincoln
Alison Griffiths	Liquorice Park
Lynn Ritson	Dawber Garden
Jessie Shorrocks	HUHRA
Barbara Woolfenden	Lincoln Horse Association
Marianne Langley	West End resident
Lucinda Preston	City Councillor/Secretary
Neil Murray	City Councillor/County Councillor