

## **South Chichester County Local Committee**

16 June 2015 – At a meeting of the Committee held at 7.00pm in Committee Room 3, County Hall, Chichester.

Present: Margaret Evans (Chairman and Chichester South), Louise Goldsmith [(Chichester West) arrived at 7.20pm], Sandra James (Bourne), Pieter Montyn (The Witterings), Simon Oakley (Chichester East) and Bernard Smith (Selsey).

### **Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman**

1. Mrs Margaret Evans was elected Chairman of South Chichester County Local Committee for the 2015/16 municipal year.
2. Mr Jeremy Hunt was elected Vice-Chairman of South Chichester County Local Committee for the 2015/16 municipal year.

### **Welcome and Introductions**

3. Mrs Evans welcomed members of the public to the meeting.
4. Apologies were received from Jeremy Hunt (Vice Chairman and Chichester North).

### **Declaration of Interests**

5. None were declared.

### **Minutes**

6. Mr Oakley suggested the following amendment to minute point 77 bullet point 4 – ‘ Mr Oakley raised issues over the cost of proposals to culvert parts of the Lavant,...’. This amendment was approved.
7. Resolved – that, subject to the amendment above, the minutes of the meeting held on 10 March 2015 be approved as a correct record and that they be signed by the Chairman.

### **Urgent Matters**

8. There were no urgent matters.

### **Appointments to Outside Bodies**

9. The Committee considered a report by the Director Law, Assurance and Strategy (copy appended to the signed minutes).
10. Resolved - that the South Chichester CLC appoint Mr Pieter Montyn to the Goodwood Aerodrome Consultative Committee for the rest of the County Council term in May 2017.

### **talk with us (Open Forum)**

11. The Chairman invited questions and comments from residents in attendance which included:

- Mr Tony Morris, commented, in relation to Cathedral Way, that the recent highway works had improved traffic flow however, in his opinion, there was an increased chance of collisions as traffic could switch lanes prior to the roundabout near Chichester College. Mr Morris asked that the 40mph limit be extended along Cathedral Way to the A27 junction. In addition, Mr Morris raised concerns regarding the cycle lane along the North Walls which encouraged cyclists to travel against traffic flows, with insufficient width for cars to pass them. Mr Morris stated that this could encourage cyclists to travel the wrong way in one way streets and requested that the lanes be reassessed for risk. *The Principal Community Officer undertook to pass these concerns to officers in Highways and ask that they contact Mr Morris directly.*
- A resident of the Swanfield Park Estate raised the issue of parked cars on Swanfield Drive and Barnfield Drive and asked if yellow lines were going to be introduced. She also enquired why St Richards Hospital was encouraging staff to park on Swanfield Drive and why the hospital was not looking at alternatives, such as adding a tier of parking to the current car park to provide additional parking. *The Chairman, in her capacity of Chairman of Health and Adult Services Select Committee, undertook to put this forward to senior staff at St Richards Hospital.* Mr Miles Davy stated that the County Council was liaising with St Richard's Hospital and wished to facilitate a discussion regarding parking issues around the hospital. This would also be addressed by the next item on the CLC agenda. Mr Oakley commented on the issue of visibility created by parked cars in this area and questioned how much effort the hospital was making to encourage car sharing and other means of sustainable transport. *It was agreed that the Chairman and Mr Davy would take this forward.*
- Mrs Vicky Brown, who had presented a petition at the last meeting of the CLC to ask the County Council to provide a Puffin crossing to enable school children to safely cross Whyke Road to Rumboldswyke School, Chichester, stated that she understood the best case scenario for a timetable going forward would see implementation of the crossing in 2017/18 with no interim measures. *The Chairman, as local member for the school, stated that a new lollipop person had been recruited.* Mrs Brown asked if this would a full time lollipop person and whether solid white lines could be put in place in Whyke Road. *The Principal Community Officer commented that he believed that the lollipop person would be part time.* The Chairman added that there was legal work to be done and officers were working hard to provide a solution. Ms James enquired whether parents could have a rota for providing lollipop person cover. Mrs Brown responded that parents would be reluctant to do the role due its dangerous nature. *The Chairman concluded that there was still a lot of work to be done.*

*Louise Goldsmith joined the meeting.*

### **Chichester Parking Review – Fast track Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) Consultation**

12. The Committee considered a report by the Director of Highways and Transport and Service Manager for Residents & Environmental Services (copy

appended to the signed minutes) which was introduced by Mr Miles Davy, CPZ Lead Professional. Mr Davy highlighted that a number of proposed waiting restrictions across the city had recently been subject to a formal advertisement. Proposals which received no representations had been taken forward for implementation. Mr Davy explained that for the remaining proposals that did receive representations, there were three options for members to consider, highlighting option 1 as the officers preferred option. In addition, Mr Davy took the opportunity to update members on a wider 'road space audit' for the Chichester city area (details appended to the signed minutes), scheduled to take place throughout the rest of the year. There would be a comprehensive stakeholder/public engagement and officers were keen to appoint a consultant soon so that data could be collected over the summer holidays, so enabling a seasonal comparison with data collected later in the year. Further details would be presented to the CLC in the New Year but in the meantime, Councillors would be kept fully informed and have an important part to play in the overall process.

13. Member comments/questions included:

- Ms James commented that it was a shame that a 'road space audit' was being carried out after the Local Plan had been approved. In addition, Ms James advocated option 3, as the proposals would displace cars and she stated that it was reasonable to allow hospital staff, some of whom were lowly paid, to park on surrounding roads. *Mr Davy responded that in an ideal world they would go back five years to conduct a road space audit in Chichester but unfortunately, an outstanding works programme and other commitments had prevented this. He added that the proposed waiting restrictions in roads such as those around the Hospital were not being put forward solely to prevent all parking by staff but rather to prevent dangerous and inconsiderate parking by any road users which impacted upon access for residents as well as refuse lorries and emergency vehicles. A number of parking areas were being retained in the area for general use.*
- Ms Goldsmith stated that she supported the implementation of double yellow lines as access was required and therefore option 1 was the right thing to do. In regard to the road space audit she emphasised that it did take time to get things right and asked residents to bear with the County Council to consult on parking issues. Ms Goldsmith concluded by thanking Mr Davy and his team for speaking to residents to find the best solutions for individual areas.
- Mr Oakley commented that the proposals were designed to address clear issues and that a balance was needed in some areas. Planning applications coming forward now presented the opportunity for residents associations and Parish Councils to have discussions with developers.
- Mr Montyn stated that he supported option 1 as he had visited the location and could see the safety issues, although he understood that you could not please everyone.
- Mr Smith commented that dangerous roads could not be left and therefore he supported option 1.
- The Chairman stated that officers had carried out extensive consultation across the city, citing that officers had obviously listened to the residents of York Road in her own division.
- Ms James stated that there would be a danger as to where cars would be displaced to. She also wished to convey her frustration that housing applications went through which then required catch up measures; she wished to see something more strategic.

- In conclusion, Mr Davy stated that it was an aspiration that the road space audit would sit underneath more strategic planning documents but be included in future discussions with developers etc. Unfortunately, displacement was inevitable when dealing with any waiting restrictions but any impacts would be monitored and further changes considered if absolutely necessary.

14. Resolved – that the South Chichester CLC authorise the Director of Law, Assurance and Strategy to bring the Traffic Regulation Order into operation as advertised but with the modifications outlined in Option 1 and shown in Appendix C.

### **Prevention and Wellbeing Grants 2015/16**

15. The Committee considered a report by the Director of Public Health, Commissioner for Health & Social Care (copy appended to the signed minutes). The report detailed how Prevention and Wellbeing Grants were allocated in 2014/15 and set out the prevention and wellbeing commissioning objectives for the 2015/16 financial year to ensure duplication of grant giving and commissioning did not take place.

16. The Committee considered the grant applications for 2015/16 as set out in Appendix B and discussed how to allocate funding.

17. Resolved – that

(a) The following applications were approved:

NL021 – Age Concern Southbourne, £2,250.00  
 NL007 – Arts Dream Selsey, £650.00  
 NL029 – Brainstrust, £1,200.00  
 NL029 – Cancerwise, £1,250.00  
 NL008 – Chichester Information Shop for Young People, £1,000.00  
 NL001 – Chichester Stroke Club, £500.00  
 DR025 – Coastal West Sussex MIND, £1,250.00  
 TL022 – Collected Works CIC, £350.00  
 DR001 – Cruse West Sussex, £375.00  
 NL016 – Donnington Coffee Mornings, £300.00  
 NL026 – Friday Tea & Chat, £450.00  
 NL006 – Homestart Chichester, £1,750.00  
 NL023 – Lavant Friendly Club, £400.00  
 NL004 – Lifecentre, £750.00  
 NL031 – Mindful Music Making, £1,600.00  
 TL003 – My Sisters House, £650.00  
 NL013 – Parklands Thursday Club, £350.00  
 TL006 – PBC Foundation, £89.32  
 TB01 – SASBAH, £375.00  
 NL010 – Selsey Community Forum, £250.00  
 NL020 – Selsey & District Carers, £2,028.68  
 NL002 – Southbourne Men's Shed, £1,250.00  
 JP032 – St Peters House Project, £300.00

(b) The following applications were declined:

NL034 – Boxgrove WI, £500.00 as the committee felt, that as the Prevention and Wellbeing fund was oversubscribed, this application may be more appropriate for Community Initiative Funding and therefore the application should be redirected.

NL012 – Rotary Club of Chichester Harbour, £250.00 as the committee felt that funding would be, in part, supporting activities for other charities.

NL028 – West Sussex Music Trust, £2,000.00, as the committee felt that the application would be funding an activity for NHS staff only.

## **Progress Statement**

18. The Committee noted the report (copy appended to the signed minutes).

## **Community Initiative Funding**

19. The Committee considered a report by the Head of Law, Assurance and Strategy (copy appended to the signed minutes) which detailed applications for Community Initiative Funding. The Committee debated the respective merits of the projects for which funding was sought.

20. Resolved that -

a) The following awards were made:

**721/SC** - Arts Dream Selsey, £1,500.00, towards the purchasing of stage lighting.

**734/SC** – Donnington Village Luncheons, £500.00, towards the purchase of equipment to provide luncheons.

b) The following applications were deferred:

**726/SC** - Oxmarket Centre of Arts, £819.00, for the purchase of banners and items for a gardening day so that the applicant could be asked to discuss the application with the local member and clarify the inclusion of certain quotes within the application.

**728/SC** - Chichester & Portfield Utd FC Ltd, £5,450.00, to purchase soccer goals so that the applicant could supply more detailed quotations, details of match funding and confirmation of the organisations child protection policy.

**729/SC** - Youth Dream Selsey, £2,500.00, to purchase a cooker, TV and fencing so that the applicant could supply more detailed quotations connected with the project.

**735/SC** – Chichester Ship Canal Trust, £2500.00, for a weed cutter, battery, outboard etc so that clarification could be sought regarding financial information connected with the application.

c) The following application was declined:

**732/SC** – Dragon Flyers Trampoline Club, £2,500.00, Judging and Coaching Courses, CRB checks and equipment as the committee felt that the majority of the application could be considered as revenue costs and not appropriate for the Community Initiative Fund. In addition, the applicant had not contacted the local member or the Chairman of the CLC to discuss their application.

### **Appointments and Nominations to School and Academy Governing Bodies**

21. The Committee considered a report by the Strategic Commissioner for Learning (copy appended to the signed minutes).
22. Resolved – that the South Chichester County Local Committee agreed the following:
  - Reappointment, under the 2007 Regulations, of Reverend J Russell to North Mundham Primary School for a four year term;
  - Nomination for appointment, under the 2012 Regulations, of Mr CSC Robinson to Lancastrian Infant School for a four year term;
  - Nomination for reappointment, under the 2012 Regulations, of Mrs S Cieszynska to Southbourne Junior School for a four year term (Current term of office expired on 29.05.2015); and
  - Nomination for reappointment, under the 2012 Regulations, of Mrs RJ Ottaway to Rumboldswyke School for a four year term (Current Term of Office due to expire 13.11.2015).

### **Date of Next Meeting**

23. The Chairman reported that the next meeting would be held on 22 September 2015 in Committee Room 3 at County Hall, Chichester.

The meeting closed at 8.05pm

**Chairman**