



Welcome

**Walthamstow West
Community Council
6 October 2008**



(1) Introductions

Community Chair – Philip Herlihy

Councillor Chair – Cllr Patrick Smith

Cabinet Champion – Cllr Afzal Akram

Chapel End, Higham Hill, High Street,
and William Morris Ward Councillors



(2) Apologies for absence / Meeting Conduct – Guidelines

- Apologies for absence.
- The Community Chair will remind residents of the guidelines agreed at previous meetings.



(3) Declarations of interest

Members (including any co-opted members) are asked to declare any personal or prejudicial interest that they have in any matter that is to be considered at this meeting.



(4) Minutes of the previous meeting

- The meeting will be asked to agree the minutes of the last meeting on the 9 June 2008, Agenda pages 6 to 11.
- Matters arising will be taken under Agenda item 7.



(5) 2008/09 FUNDING INCREASE VOTE AT THIS MEETING

Claire Witney, Head of Community Engagement will explain some procedural matters concerning the spend.

Residents will be asked to indicate which projects they consider should receive funding from the:-

£10,000 per ward

+

£5,000 for the whole area



DECLARATON

Only residents of the ward may vote on a ward project

Residents of all wards may vote on the spend for the whole area

If a resident is aware that they or a family member, a friend or business associate may personally benefit from a proposal financially e.g. by receiving work or funds for an organisation, they will not be eligible to vote.



Voting Procedure

- The Community Chair will explain the Voting Procedure (dot system).
- The Councillor Chair will present the Residents suggestions and the Voluntary Group/Organisations' Projects.
- Questions and answers from residents and Voluntary Organisations/Groups



Voting

- Voting will begin

£10,000 – per ward
- Announcement of results of Residents preference and recommendations of Ward Councillors

£5,000 – Whole area
- Results gathered for Councillors (Formal Committee) to discuss and consider Residents preferences and recommendations of Ward Councillors.
- Formal Committee's decision – Results of ward projects and whole area



Results from Formal Committee

<u>No.</u>	<u>PROJECTS – £10K High Street Ward</u>	
1.	Carefree Kids (CK) Mobile Play Therapy Bus	£
2.	7 th Walthamstow Scouts Group	£
3.	Extra benches/seating around Walthamstow Town Centre	£



Results from Formal Committee

<u>No</u>	<u>PROJECTS – £10K William Morris Ward</u>	
1.	Mornington Trust – School Music Project/Education	£
2.	Carefree Kids (CK) Mobile Play Therapy Bus	£
3.	Worth Unlimited – Mobile Youth Venue	£
4.	Feasibility Study – reduce fly tipping & graffiti	£



Results from Formal Committee

<u>No</u>	<u>PROJECTS – £10K Chapel End Ward</u>	
1.	Asianos FC – Football Club	£
2.	Access and exit to Park via Cheshire Close opposite Kitchener Road	£



Results from Formal Committee

<u>No</u>	<u>PROJECTS – £10K Highams Hill Ward</u>	
1.	Carefree Kids (CK) Mobile Play Therapy Bus	£
2.	Mornington Trust – School Music Project/Education	£
3.	Play equipment for young children (on grassed areas) Millfield Avenue	£



Results PROJECTS – £5,000 Whole Area

1.	Active Environments – School Eco Project	£
2.	Liveability Waltham Forest/Shopmobility Servs	£
3.	1000 Faces – Local Photography Project	£
4.	Workbase – Employment for people with learning disabilities	£
5.	E17 Art Trail - Locally run art project	£
6.	WF Dyslexia Assoc – children Tuition	£
7.	WF Dyslexia Assoc - Summer/Transition	£
8.	WF Youth for Christ - Young people mentoring	£



(6) News Report

Community Council Officer - Summary of the responses (blue sheets).

Please note that any matters arising will be taken in item in the Community Forum item 7.



Response: Q1, Part 2: Arcade Investigations, p.12

CPO Compensation Schedule of Payments - £295,985.93

£

- 21/04/2006 528.43 202 Hoe St, Mr Gover
- 16/10/2006 17,694.94 261 High St, Kentucky Fried Chicken
- 05/02/2007 153,486.00 261 High St, Kentucky Fried Chicken
- 23/03/2007 74,765.16 265 High St, Percy Ingles
- 23/03/2007 32,376.50 202 Hoe St, Mr Gover
- 23/03/2007 14,490.57 265 High St, Percy Ingles
- 23/03/2007 2,644.33 202 Hoe St Mr Gover
- TOTAL: £295,985.93



Response: Q2, Religious School Holidays, page13

- Community Council Vice-Chair, Cllr Adam Gladstone, will give a verbal statement to clarify the previous response to the above question.



(6) News Report

News & Announcements

- Current issues & developments
- Contributions



Bid Lottery - William Morris Museum & Future of Lloyd Park Theatre

- The Council has now appointed a design team to help develop detailed designs for the restoration & renewal of Lloyd & Aveling Park.
- Further consultation will take place including newsletters and e-bulletins.
- The Council has to make a Stage Two application to the Heritage Lottery Fund and a decision is expected in September 2009.
- Work to park - start 2010.
- Any comments, send to Chris Moran, Council's Service Development Manager.
- Those interested in receiving e-bulletins, email sue.pagel@walthamforest.gov.uk
- Nick Burton, Head of Greenspace & Cllr Geraldine Reardon are here this evening.



Banbury Park, Blackhorse Regeneration Plan

- Plans for Blackhorse Lane have always included a proposal for a road linking Forest Road west of Blackhorse Road Station with Blackhorse Lane, to provide access to new housing developments opposite the station to reduce traffic flows through the Standard Junction (by the station).
- Public Consultation - deadline for responses is Friday 7th November 2008.
- For further information see WFM, Issue 34, 22 September 2008, p 11-14
- Or our websites:
<http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/index/community/regeneration/blackhorselane.htm>
- <http://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/blackhorse-lane-newsletter-sept08.pdf>



Street Cleaning

- Management review of Street Sweeping contract etc. All issues of interest to our residents.
- Kiers seasonal leafing programme starts on today and is provisionally programmed to run from 6th October 2008 to 2nd January 2009. Separate crews will focus on clearing leaves so that the leaves can be recycled and the resources assigned to street cleaning are maintained.
- Council is starting to roll out co-mingled recycling to housing estates. We are in the process of developing a suitable scheme and looking at dual compartment litter bins which will accommodate both co-mingled re-cyclables and residual litter.



Arcade Site - Update

Statement from Cllr Wheeler

- “The aim of a mixed retail, leisure housing development with a design concept incorporating an interesting tall building and a cinema multiplex to help drive the reinvigoration of the Walthamstow Town Centre remain unchanged as previously publicised. The scheme remains on track and the Council awaits the Developer's, St Modwens, Planning Application which will include its design proposals.
- The details of the design depend on the needs mainly of retailers and housing providers who join the scheme and these in turn are influenced by the current economic situation.
- The Council remains strongly committed to the scheme and sees considerable advantage in keeping the scheme on track to take advantage of the eventual economic upturn and the influence of developments at Stratford and the Olympics. the Council is also looking to see how it may support the scheme.”



Community Engagement with Youths

Walthamstow Academy, School

- Communication from the Principal for a strong local lobby by all partners to support her staff application to have their police liaison officer reinstated from Metropolitan Police resources.
- She is very hopeful as councillors are that the Officer will be reinstated.



Youth Engagement, cont/d...

Kelmscott School

- WF has recruited Deputy Head of Kelmscott School as the Children and Young People's Commissioner.
- Her role will be launched at the Youth Conference on 16th October.
- One of her projects over the course of the next year is the 'I make a difference' campaign, where young people from across the borough will be awarded for the many different positive contributions they make to our community.



Youth Engagement, cont/d

14 Young Advisors

- Recruited one year ago. Trained to 'youth-proof' anything and everything going on for young people in the borough.
- The scheme has been going from strength to strength, with the young people involved in delivering local community events & sitting on national ministerial panels, such as the REACH panel to improve the aspirations of young black men.
- In the last few weeks, one from the group has been appointed as a personal advisor to Hazel Blears MP and will be working with her around youth issues over the next year.



Youth Engagement, cont/d

Youth Independent Advisory Group on community safety issues.

- Comprises of 15 young people aged 15 - 21 who have all had experience of the criminal justice system, either as victims, witnesses or perpetrators of crime.
- The group has been key in forming the police and community responses to recent incidents in WF and has also begun a training programme whereby the young people are training new police recruits around sensitive stop and search techniques.
- The first session was held on Wednesday 24th September at Norlington School for Boys and was a great success.



Orphan Sites project

- There are a number of sites around the borough that have an uncared for or unkempt look. They look like orphans, as if no one owns them.
- These sites can attract vandalism and other forms of anti-social behaviour - these areas can bring down the look and feel of a neighbourhood.
- WF is trying to identify where these 'orphan sites' are located.
- Once we have a list of potential orphan sites we will begin a process of investigating the ownership and identifying appropriate management options to improve the site.
- If you know or have a suggestion for a site that may require some investigation please contact Megan Collins, Project Officer, (megan.collins@walthamforest.gov.uk) ext 6852.



St James Street Library

- Cabinet meeting held, 30 September 2008
- Cabinet agreed not to accept the Scrutiny's recommendation to reconsider its decision to close St James Street Library taken by Cabinet and confirmed by Council in February 2007.



WHAT'S ON

Local Democracy Week 13th – 19th October 2008

- The Women Together Project will be launched to highlight the under-representation of Women in Public Office
- Waltham Forest's annual youth conference will be held on Thursday 16th October
- Some councillors will visit schools in their Wards
- There will be Citizenship Ceremonies in two areas in the Borough
- The week will see the start of an ongoing awareness raising project, highlighting other democratic activities such as the 'Be a Councillor Campaign'



WHAT'S ON

- JobClub drop-in, Thursday 9 October @ 9 a.m. – 12a.m. – Chapel End Children's Centre, Brookscroft Road, E17
- Illustraton of Victorian Artists in Photographs, Wednesday 15 October at 7.30 p.m., William Morris Gallery, Lloyds Park, Forest Road. Tickets must be booked
- More information in WFM, Issue 34, 22 September 2008.



(7) Community Forum

- Matters arising from the minutes / responses (blue sheets)
- New issues of local concern
- Community discussion



(8) Formal Council Business

Councillors will make decisions on any matters that require their approval.



Next Meeting

Monday 5 January 2009, Chapel End Junior School, Roberts Road, E17

Please complete the yellow evaluation form and put it in the box in the Foyer.

Informal discussions until 10.00 p.m.

Thank you for attending, have a safe journey home.