

Sidney Sussex Community First Panel

**Thursday 1st March 2012
Poplar Road Fire Station**

Meeting minutes

1.0 Introductions & Apologies

Attendees:

John Manton Area Coordinator	JM	Richard Holden, Church	RH
Cllr. Hazel Chase	HC	Paul Cordell, YMCA	PC
Natasha Atkinson, Integrated Family Services	NA	Vince Kelly, Cleelincs	VK
Darren Linford, Neighbourhood Watch	DL		

Apologies:

Linda Bulbeck, Business Representative **LB**

DISCUSSION ITEM	ACTION
<p>2.0 Panel Responsibilities JM handed out 'Guidance for new panels' document, and meeting discussed and understood them.</p>	
<p>3.0 Terms of Reference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - JM handed out draft 'terms of reference' that had earlier been circulated electronically and had been submitted to Community Development Foundation for amendment and agreement by the group. - The meeting worked through the document item by item and made the following amendments; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - JM was voted in as Chair. - DL was voted in as Vice Chair. - A minimum of 5 panel members must be present to vote on funding applications. - A majority decision is required for a grant to be approved. - In the event of a tied vote. The sitting Chair will have the casting vote. - meeting agreed to hold the meeting prior to Cleelincs meeting. JM to check that Fire Station is available at 5pm on 1st Thursday of the month. - JM agreed to make amendments to 'T of E'. - JM to discuss with absent panel member LB for comment before circulating - All to check terms of reference once complete and suggest final amendments before final alterations made and document signed off. 	<p>JM JM JM All</p>
<p>4.0 Area Priorities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Meeting discussed area priorities with a view to identifying which priorities should be adopted by the ward. - JM informed the group that chosen priorities need to be submitted before the end of March, so first years funding not lost. - JM handed out some deprivation stats for Sidney Sussex prior to the meeting to show areas of deprivation within the ward. JM to produce map to show which Super Output Area relates to which code, so that group can understand which area statistics are referring to. - Each panel member was given the opportunity to identify priorities and the list included the following; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - physical environment – poor visually - lack of community space for young people. 	<p>JM</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Not much for young people to do - Supporting parent groups - Domestic violence – number of incidence in ward 2nd highest in NEL - Kids – take your ball elsewhere syndrome - No where for kids to go in evenings - No community hub – for people to meet, NWG's to hold meetings, coffee mornings etc - Alleygating schemes – to prevent flytipping - Environmental clean-up – painting repairing, cleaning - Something to keep 14 to 18 year old age group occupied. - Possibility of renting space from schools or renting property to put on events. - Sussex recreation ground – no 5 aside football pitches un-like Sidney park - Support parish lunches for the elderly, and accessibility of those events. - Possibly provide transport for elderly to reduce fear of crime. - Youth club at St Aidens - Shortage of facilities in the ward - Litter, poor general appearance, broken glass on streets - Outreach work, bringing in activities such as mobile football cage. - Set –up 5 a-side leagues - Crime prevention – home security – alarms, locks, lighting, personal alarms - Home safety Smoke alarms - Better promotion of activities that exist - Sustainability of key ward groups such as Cleelincs - Dog fouling - Poor state of North promenade - Litter clearance - Beach clearance <p>- JM agreed to speak to LB so that she could identify ward priorities.</p> <p>- JM to break down information above into draft ward priorities, before circulating to group for comment.</p> <p>- All to feedback on draft priorities regarding suggested amendments and changes</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">JM</p> <p style="text-align: right;">JM</p> <p style="text-align: right;">All</p>
<p>5.0 Any Other Business No further business discussed</p>	
<p>6.0 Date & Time of next meeting Provisionally booked for Thursday 5th April at 5pm at Poplar Road Fire Station</p>	