



**Quarterly Public Meeting
Wednesday 30th July 2008**
Heysham Youth & Community Centre

Start: 19.30

In The Chair : Mr Peter Whaley

Clerk: Mrs Janice Whaley

Members Present: David Wilcock, Graeme Austin, Sheila Hindson, Janet Lamb

Members Of the Public Present: 8 persons

Others Present: Councillor Jean Yates – Lancashire County Council
Councillor Ken Brown – Lancaster City Council

1. Apologies

Paul Mallett, Brian Reeve, PC Neil Tomlinson

2. Minutes of meeting held on 30th April 2008

At Heysham Youth & Community Centre were accepted as a true record,
after Graeme Austin changed the wording of Item 4. “extra” changed to “a”. Now reading “and a Community
Beat Manager”

The minutes were then proposed by Sheila Hindson, and seconded by Cllr Ken Brown.

3. Matters arising

Toilets in Heysham Village. To be discussed under Item 8 Planning on the agenda.

4. Community Policing

Recently there has been an increased police presence on Middleton Road, Middleton Way, Knowleys Road
and The Barrows area. The Police have targeted large groups of youths, confiscated alcohol and also the
owners of the cars with loud exhausts have also been targeted by the Police. New referral letters are also being
sent out.

The next PACT meeting is on Wednesday 6th August 2008 7pm at Heysham Youth & Community Centre.
Information is being gathered to put a case forward to have another Community Beat Officer within Heysham.
Cllr Jean Yates responded with the expected population by 2011 to be 20,000. The population
of Heysham at the moment is approximately 17,000.

5. Power Station

Stage 1 has a new female manager: Gwyn Parry Jones.

The next public Liaison meeting is to be held at the Power Station sometime in November.

Date & time to be confirmed

6. Mossgate Development

After the last QPM Jean Yates contacted Roger Muckle, and an emergency meeting of the board of Directors was called. HNC Chairman Peter Whaley was nominated and accepted onto the board. Since that meeting, the PCT has been in contact with the Mossgate Board and has once again expressed an interest in acquiring land for the development of a Doctors Surgery and Dental practices. The PCT have now confirmed their intentions and plans are in the process of being finalised. The PCT will now have to pay a substantial amount of money into the fund which still has to be viewed, confirmed and accepted. At this moment in time all the facilities are now back on board. Child facilities, indoor and outdoor sports facilities.

When the plans are ready, a public consultation will be taking place, alongside mail drops to all Mossgate Residents. An open day, probably at HYCC will be organised where all residents are invited to look at the plans in full, and forward their suggestions and questions about the proposed development. The government stipulation is that the new Doctors Surgery should be functional by June 2009.

Again, questions were raised why Mossgate has had to wait for anything to be built within the area, especially while there is £1.7m sat in the bank. I.e; childrens playground/ football pitch etc. This was mainly because the Mossgate development had to get match funding to be able to afford to put those facilities in place. Now that the PCT has once again come on board, the Sports Council will also be adding an amount to make the indoor and outdoor sporting facilities available.

Mr Somers suggested that flyers with details of all meetings should be distributed.

Mr Flanagan reported that he has requested minutes of the Mossgate Board meetings and has been refused, and therefore nobody on Mosssgate Estate had any information on what was going on. The HNC did point out that at all their QPM's and the AGM's there has been The Mossgate Development on the Agenda, and it has been openly discussed on numerous occasions in the last five years. The Heart of Heysham Leaflets were distributed by Lancashire County Council to every household on the mossgate. It was only when the PCT pulled out that everything had to go on hold.

Cllr Ken Brown stated that he would reply to all correspondence / written enquiries on any subject matter. Cllr Ken Brown then briefly explained the planning process for Lancaster City Council.

Peter Whaley said that he would contact Mr Timperley as soon as he had any plans of the proposed new Mossgate development site.

The access road that links the two parts of the Mossgate Estate will be built.

7. Correspondence

A letter has been received from Rev David Tickner asking for support and volunteers for the "copshop".

Cllr Jean Yates confirmed that a meeting is taking place at 5 Royds Avenue, 5th August, at 7pm, anybody can attend. The new meeting place for the copshop is to be at Sefton Road Methodist Church.

8. Planning

a) Toilets Heysham Village: Peter Whaley reported about the Planning Committee meeting. Mr Phil Lee is to submit a re-scheduled site plan as agreed. But the planning committee did not know about any changes, or the revised plans. The planning committee also questioned the suggested appearance of the proposed toilet block. The recycling area may have to be also re-sited.

b) 134A Fairfield Road: Retrospective Planning permission has been refused. The property now has a large container placed at the front and no planning permission has been sought. This is to be looked into.

9. Finance

As the treasurer was absent from the meeting, no verbal report was given. Balance sheets were available for viewing. HNC are in the process of applying for grants. The gateway grant application has to be submitted by 8th August 2008.

A successful car boot has helped the funds temporarily.

10. Events

The next event is “the big one”. The Classic Car & Bike Show. Sunday August 3rd.

170 exhibits are now booked in with approximately another 20 enquiring by telephone. The weather is looking reasonable, so hopefully everything should go ahead as planned, including the newly named “Sunshine Express” children’s train. This year all exhibitors are going to be asked for a small donation, possibly £2.00 to help towards the costing of the show. This is one of the last free car shows in the country, but it does now need some financial input from somewhere apart from HNC. The trophies are sponsored by Bathtime Northwest, and the medals by Builders Supplies Northwest, both off White Lund Industrial Estate. HNC are extremely appreciative of their generous sponsorship.

Other events:

27th September Carboot

5th December Xmas lights Switch on

As yet HNC have not had a reply to the whereabouts of Heysham’s Xmas lights. A follow up letter will be sent at the end of August.

11. AOB

a) The village car park barriers are still unlocked, and the car park now has a caravan being used residentially. The council have been informed by HNC and numerous residents. The correct procedures are being followed and an enforcement notice will be issued. The Environmental Health and RSPCA may also be getting involved.

b) Cllr Jean Yates reported the vandalised Bus Shelter on Longlands Lane, (now repaired) and also requested that the bus shelter in Heysham Village has more panels installed, so it is more sheltered.

c) A query was raised over the temporary Library on the Village carpark. Will people changing books be liable for car park charges. Cllr Jean Yates to enquire about a number of spaces made available during the library opening hours.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 20.55

Signed..... Date.....

24th September HNC Exec meeting

22nd October HNC Exec Meeting

29th October QPM

26th November HNC Exec meeting