

SOUTH NEIGHBOURHOOD CONSULTATIVE FORUM AGENDA



Friday 18 February 2011

at 2.00 pm

at Owton Manor Community Centre, Wynyard Road, Hartlepool

MEMBERS: SOUTH NEIGHBOURHOOD CONSULTATIVE FORUM:

Councillors C Akers-Belcher, Flintoff, Gibbon, Hargreaves, Hill, James, Lawton, A E Lilley, G Lilley, A Marshall, Preece, Turner and P Thompson

Resident Representatives: Mary Green, Peter Joyce, Rosemarie Kennedy, Iris Ryder, Michael Unwin and Angela Wilcox

- 1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**
- 2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
- 3. TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS**
- 4. MINUTES**
 - 4.1 To confirm the minutes of the South Neighbourhood Consultative Forum meeting held on 17 December 2010
 - 4.2 Matters arising
 - 4.3 To receive the minutes of the South Area Police and Community Safety Consultative Forum held on 14 January 2011
- 5. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

6. ITEMS FOR CONSULTATION

- 6.1 Hartlepool Borough Council Draft Local Transport Plan 3 – *Assistant Director (Transportation and Traffic)*

7. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION and/or INFORMATION

No items

8. ITEMS FOR DECISION

- 8.1 Minor Works Proposals – *Neighbourhood Manager (South)*

9. WARD ISSUES FROM WARD MEMBERS AND RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVES

10. DATE, TIME AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the South Police and Community Safety Consultative Forum will take place on Friday 18 March 2011 at Owton Manor Community Centre, Wynyard Road commencing at 2.00 pm.

The next meeting of the South Neighbourhood Consultative Forum will take place on Friday 8 April 2011 at Owton Rossmere Resource Centre, Wynyard Road commencing at 10.00 am

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SOUTH NEIGHBOURHOOD CONSULTATIVE FORUM

17 December 2010

MINUTES OF THE MEETING



The meeting commenced at 10.00 a.m. in Owton Rossmere Resource Centre (ORCEL),
Wynyard Road, Hartlepool

PRESENT:

Chair:	Councillor Ann Marshall	-	Rossmere Ward
	Councillor Bob Flintoff	-	Owton Ward
	Councillor Steve Gibbon	-	Fens Ward
	Councillor Pamela Hargreaves	-	Owton Ward
	Councillor Cath Hill	-	Seaton Ward
	Councillor Marjorie James	-	Owton Ward
	Councillor Trisha Lawton	-	Rossmere Ward
	Councillor Alison Lilley	-	Fens Ward
	Councillor Paul Thompson	-	Seaton Ward
	Councillor Mike Turner	-	Seaton Ward

Resident Representatives: Maureen Braithwaite, Rosemarie Kennedy, Iris Ryder and
Michael Unwin

Public: P Joyce, H Oxley, R Smith and Michael Ward

Officers:
Dave Frame, Neighbourhood Manager
Dave Mitchell, Neighbourhood Co-ordinator
Sue McBride, Neighbourhood Development Officer
Kate Ainger, Pride in Hartlepool Officer
Tom Britcliffe, Principal Planning Officer
Dennis Hancock, Senior Engineer (Environmental Issues)
Jo Wilson, Democratic Services Officer

Police Representatives: Ali Sah

Fire and Rescue Service: Dean Charnley

Northumbrian Water: Dave Mitchell

Housing Hartlepool: Lynn McPartlin

24. WELCOME

The Chair welcomed and introduced the recently appointed Resident Representative, Maureen Braithwaite to the Forum.

25. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Christopher Akers Belcher and Resident Representatives Mary Green and Angie Wilcox.

26. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

27. MINUTES OF THE SOUTH NEIGHBOURHOOD CONSULTATIVE FORUM MEETING HELD ON 22 OCTOBER 2010

Confirmed

28. MATTERS ARISING

Niramax Site – Resident Mike Ward requested an update on the situation. The Neighbourhood Manager advised that there was ongoing discussion between the company and the Environment Agency.

29. MINUTES OF THE SOUTH AREA POLICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY CONSULTATIVE FORUM MEETING HELD ON 12 NOVEMBER 2010

Received

30. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Middleton Grange Shopping Centre – Resident Mike Ward highlighted the recent redeployment of neighbourhood police officers away from their neighbourhoods into Middleton Grange

Shopping Centre. He expressed dismay that publically funded officers were being used to bolster a private security enterprise. Sergeant Ali Sah confirmed this initiative but said it was something which officers across the town were involved in, not just the south area. Officers would target known shoplifters and follow them all over town in an effort to reduce crime and protect local businesses. However members felt that the Middleton Grange Shopping Centre had their own private security firm and public resources should not be used to support it. PCSOs were originally employed to patrol neighbourhoods and that was what they should be doing. There were concerns that this move was a precursor to the complete removal of neighbourhood policing. The Neighbourhood Manager commented that the shoplifting initiative was not aimed solely at Middleton Grange Shopping Centre, saying it was a town-wide initiative. Councillor Steve Gibbon noted that this was the second year PCSOs had been moved out of their designated area despite initial promises that they would be ringfenced. However Councillor Geoff Lilley, while sharing many of the concerns raised, felt that this was an operational matter and the police had access to the bigger picture in a way the general public did not.

Meeting between Councillors and District Commander – Councillor Marjorie James referred to comments that the meeting between the south ward councillors and the District Commander on 5th December had not been well attended. She had learned of the meeting only 10 days in advance and as it was on a Sunday this did not give her enough time to rearrange her personal commitments. Furthermore Sunday was the only opportunity she had to spend time with her family and she was not prepared to give that time up. She asked that the meeting be rescheduled to a

more appropriate day and time and that adequate notice be given to enable members to attend.

31. HARTLEPOOL CORE STRATEGY – PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON THE REVISED PREFERRED OPTIONS REPORT

The Principal Planning Officer informed the forum of the second consultation process that had started on the Hartlepool Core Strategy. He outlined the main points of the strategy and circulated consultation leaflets and plans to those present. Copies of the full strategy document were available on the Council's website and at the Central Library, Civic centre and Bryan Hanson House. The consultation period would end on 11 February 2011.

The following queries were then raised:

Seaton Sea Front – Resident Representative Iris Ryder noted that the sea front at Seaton had previously been a designated recreation area but was now blank. Was this for future housing? The Principal Planning Officer advised that this site was protected as open space in the Local Plan and that had not changed.

Waste sites – Resident Representative Iris Ryder noted an area at the end of Seaton had been designated for Eco Industries. She felt it was short-sighted to be encouraging other waste companies to use the area given the ongoing problems. The Principal Planning Officer indicated that the intent was for new companies to be located in the Eco Industries area as (and) old ones already had planning permission (be moved elsewhere). It was felt best to keep them all confined to one area where they could be better controlled. Furthermore if there were any attempts to build an additional waste site near residential housing this could be

vetoed on the grounds that there was already a dedicated waste site available.

Green wedge between Claxton and Fens – A resident asked if any thought had been given to the management and sustainability of that area. The Principal Planning Officer indicated that no work had been undertaken on that so far but officers were keen to hear the views of the residents. Possible uses included open leisure spaces and/or football pitches. The resident further suggested that plan might be improved by highlighting the concentration of services of various kinds on either side of the beck

Housing – Councillor Geoff Lilley highlighted the variations in housing types and densities, querying what scope there was for HBC to set definable density targets. The Principal Planning Officer confirmed that the Council's Housing Policy had set the maximum density of housing but the minimum density had been scrapped.

The Chair thanked the Principal Planning Officer for attending the meeting and answering questions. She urged anyone who was interested in this issue to attend the public meeting at the Fens on 19th January.

32. PRESENTATION ON THE BIG TIDY UP CAMPAIGN

The Pride in Hartlepool Officer informed the meeting of a number of initiatives which the Authority had undertaken in support of the Big Tidy Up campaign. Resources for this had been provided free of charge by Keep Britain Tidy.

Members expressed their support for the campaign. Councillor Trisha Lawton queried whether Pride in Hartlepool funding was still available in light of the budget cuts. The Pride in Hartlepool Officer was unable to answer this

although the proposal was that Pride in Hartlepool funding be cut from the Council's budget completely.

Councillor Steve Gibbon reported that the signage relating to the Tall Ships event on the A689 had not yet been removed. The Neighbourhood Manager to action this.

33. PRESENTATION ON THE SCHOOLS ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION INITIATIVE

The Pride in Hartlepool Officer presented a DVD video to the forum showing the work that had been undertaken with schools in the town. The DVD had formed part of a showcase of environmental action work that had been part of a presentation at the Tall Ships event. The DVD had also been sent to schools around the town.

Members praised the initiative as a wonderful example of the next generation grasping the big issues.

The Chair thanked the Pride in Hartlepool Officer for attending the meeting and answering questions.

34. NORTHUMBRIAN WATER – SEATON CAREW HEADWORKS

A representative of Northumbrian Water attended the meeting and gave an overview of the refurbishment works currently ongoing at the Seaton Carew head works plant. The work was due for completion in 2011 at an estimated cost of £3.5 million.

Members then raised the following issues:

Capacity – Councillor Geoff Lilley referred to plans to build additional houses in the west of Hartlepool and queried whether there would be sufficient

capacity to deal with the extra flow. The Northumbrian Water representative advised that the station was currently able to lift 6.3 cubic metres a second. The treatments works were designed for future housing in Hartlepool and there would be capacity there for extra pressure.

Power failure – Councillor Mike Turner queried what back up systems were in place in the event of a power failure as a previous power failure had led to South end flooding and the blowing down of drains on the front. The Northumbrian Water representative indicated that the alarm system would sense a power failure and call out repair teams. There would also be an automated restart system. A dual feed system at Seaton meant that power failures shouldn't be an issue. The risk of flooding would never be completely prevented but the system was robust enough to minimise the risk.

Sewage – Councillor Mike Turner highlighted complaints from residents' regards sewage on Seaton Beach. The Northumbrian Water representative acknowledged that this could happen despite their very best efforts. Regular beach checks were carried out however should any residents see any sewage on the beach he asked that they report it through Northumbrian Water's Customer Helpline and it would be cleaned up. In response to a query as to whether raw sewage was pumped into the sea the Northumbrian Water representative advised that sewage was screened and dewatered prior to being pumped several kilometres out to sea.

The Chair thanked the Northumbrian Water representative for attending the meeting and answering questions. The representative indicated he would be happy to give a more detailed presentation at a future meeting and

possibly arrange a site visit should members be interested.

35. MINOR WORKS PROPOSALS

The following schemes were considered by the Forum:-

The Grove – verge reinstatement - £10,700

Results from the consultation for this scheme had a return of 24 and 1 against this being a comment on the type of materials to be used for this scheme. The Forum approved the scheme as detailed in the report

Gala Close – planting of shrubs and erection of fence to deter dog walkers - £330 – Approved.

A further minor works proposal was tabled by Councillor Paul Thompson. The Friends of Seaton Park group had submitted a request to the Big Lottery for a £50,000 investment for outdoor exercise equipment in Seaton Park. The Forum were being asked to provide a further £3,000 to cover feasibility costings. It was confirmed that the funds were available therefore members were happy to approve.

36. WARD ISSUES

Yellow lines – Councillor Geoff Lilley queried how long it would take for the Tall Ships yellow lines to be removed and which areas would be prioritised. The Neighbourhood Manager did not have this information at hand but would advise Councillor Lilley in due course. The bad weather had disrupted the removal programme.

Gritting – Councillor Geoff Lilley raised concerns that some elderly people had been marooned in their own homes by the bad weather. He supported the Council policy regards gritting but felt that

there should be more opportunities for the elderly and their families to access salt. He suggested that scrutiny might wish to look at this issue. Councillor Marjorie James commented that Council had unanimously supported facilitating discussions with community and voluntary groups to make arrangements for them to be provided with salt. There had been no subsequent action taken. Councillor James had originally raised the issue in order to combat what were expected to be a series of bad winters and was angry that nothing further had been done. The Neighbourhood Manager advised that a programme was in place with specific areas of high foot fall, such as shops, sheltered accommodation, schools, etc being gritted but the Council did not have the resources to do more. Councillor James acknowledged this saying this was the reason that community initiatives needed to be in place. Councillor Geoff Lilley commented that areas of high footfall should always be gritted. The Neighbourhood Manager to speak to the Assistant Director for Transport and Engineering regarding the issues raised.

Hope and Anchor recycling centre – A Resident asked that this be cleared more often. The Neighbourhood Manager to speak to the Waste Management Team Leader regards this.

Blue box collection – A Resident highlighted bad language on the part of operatives. The Neighbourhood Manager to speak to the Waste Management Team Leader regards this unacceptable behaviour.

A689 signage – A Resident reported a damaged road sign on the A689 into Greatham. The Neighbourhood Manager was aware of this.

Rossmere Way – Residents' concerns were raised regards planned

development on a green belt at top of Rossmere Way. It was felt that this would be a hot spot for police and resident rep Peter Joyce asked for an assurance that that there would be no further development. The Neighbourhood Manager was unable to do this. He commented that this would create an activities hub for young people which was a positive development for the area and fully supported by the Police. Those taking part would be supervised.

Station Lane car park – Councillor Mike Turner asked whether the frequency of bins being emptied should be increased. He also queried whether additional paper bins could be provided. The Neighbourhood Manager would refer this to the Waste Management section for assessment.

Future venues – Councillor Marjorie James queried why Owton Rossmere Resource Centre continued to be used as venue. She felt that given the current situation in which Council employees found themselves rooms of comparable size at Council-run venues should be used. The Neighbourhood Manager advised that Council-run venues were always used if they were available. Councillor James moved that consideration be given to using the rear room at Owton Manor Community Centre. The Neighbourhood Manager would look at this with Democratic Services.

The meeting concluded at 11:50 am

CHAIR

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***SOUTH POLICE &
COMMUNITY SAFETY
CONSULTATIVE FORUM***

14 January 2011

MINUTES OF THE MEETING



The meeting commenced at 10.00 am at Owton Rossmere Resource Centre,
Wynyard Road, Hartlepool

PRESENT:

Chair:	Councillor Ann Marshall	- Rossmere Ward
	Councillor Christopher Akers-Belcher	
		- Rossmere Ward
	Councillor Steve Gibbon	- Fens Ward
	Councillor Cath Hill	- Seaton Ward
	Councillor Marjorie James	- Owton Ward
	Councillor Trisha Lawton	- Rossmere Ward
	Councillor Alison Lilley	- Fens Ward
	Councillor Geoff Lilley	- Greatham Ward
	Councillor Paul Thompson	- Seaton Ward
	Councillor Mike Turner	- Seaton Ward

Resident Representatives: Rosemarie Kennedy and Angie Wilcox

Residents: Donna Hotham, H Oxley, J Smith and Michael Ward

Council Officers:

- David Frame, Neighbourhood Manager (South)
- David Mitchell, Neighbourhood Co-ordinator
- Nicholas Stone, Senior Anti-Social Behaviour Officer
- Sue Grey, Anti-Social Behaviour Officer
- Peter Gouldsbro, Community Safety Officer
- Andrew Hughes, Community Safety Project Officer
- Julie Hetherington, Community Safety Assistant
- Jo Wilson, Democratic Services Officer

Police Representatives: Chief Inspector Lynn Beeston and Inspector Dave Toor

Fire Brigade Representative: Peter Bradley and D Charnley

Housing Hartlepool Representative: Andy Elvidge

9. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were submitted by Resident Representative Peter Joyce.

10. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 12 NOVEMBER 2010

Approved subject to the following amendment:

Crime and Disorder Co-ordination Update – Greatham Village – Councillor Alison Lilley had been referring to excessive speeds along the main road rather than the pathway as was stated in the minutes.

11. MATTERS ARISING

Visual audits and PACT meetings – Councillor Steve Gibbon commented that today's South Forum was as well attended as the last PACT meeting at the Fens Shops. Inspector Toor advised that PACT meetings would be attended by himself or a Sergeant as well as on-duty PCSOs. However he wanted his staff to be out within their communities as much as possible.

Middleton Grange Shopping Centre – Resident Michael Ward raised concerns about neighbourhood officers being abstracted to patrol the shopping centre. Chief Inspector Beeston advised that only officers from the central area were being utilised for this initiative and that south officers remained in their area. She confirmed that officers were being moved around the area as required while still remaining in the South. However Mr Ward commented that the original idea of neighbourhood policing had been to have officers dedicated to a particular area and not moved around.

Jutland Road Police Station – The Chair requested an update. Chief

Inspector Beeston indicated that the building was scheduled to be ready by the end of March however she expected it to be completed by the end of February.

12. UPDATE FROM THE POLICE

Inspector Dave Toor gave an overview for performance for December forcewide and specific to Hartlepool. Instances of crime had fallen in all categories leading to a drop in total crime of over 20% for Cleveland and over 19% for Hartlepool. Details of performance in the South area in relation to arrests, detections and incidents were given along with feedback on concerns previously raised by residents in relation to Rossmere Park. A number of points of interest were highlighted.

The Vice-Chair highlighted the reference to a young male on the Southside who had recently been brought to account for his behaviour. She queried why he had not been referred to Manor Residents Association. The Senior Anti-Social Behaviour Officer advised that in this case his behaviour had escalated so quickly that they had felt it necessary to move directly to the court order stage. Youth Offending Officers had indicated that they did not want any other type of intervention. Inspector Toor acknowledged the excellent work done by Manor Residents Association.

Resident Representative Rosemarie Kennedy suggested that telephone surveys carried out by the police would be completed quicker using a computer-based system rather than by hand. She went on to thank the Community Safety Assistant for her hard work over the years.

The Chair thanked Chief Inspector Beeston and Inspector Toor for attending the meeting and answering questions.

13. UPDATE FROM THE FIRE BRIGADE

Peter Bradley from Cleveland Fire Brigade gave an update on the number of fires which had occurred in the South area between October and December 2010. Comparison figures with the same period 2009/10 showed no increase in any category of fire, with all remaining static or decreasing. There had been a drop in the number of home fire safety visits but this was thought to be due to the inclement weather.

Mr Bradley also discussed various diversionary activities including the Saturday Night Breakaway. Plans were in place for the Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) owned by the fire service to be deployed at a number of locations in the South throughout the spring and summer months. Mr Bradley also advised that the bonfire strategy had resulted in an 8% reduction in bonfires between 22nd October and 12th November. However officers had hoped for a 28% reduction so this had not been as successful as hoped. There were funding concerns around future bonfire strategies.

Councillor Marjorie James highlighted the possibility of cancelling the Seaton Carew bonfire from next year as part of the budget cuts. Scrutiny Co-ordinating Committee, of which she was chair, were strongly opposed to such a move as they felt the lack of an organised activity would lead to a proliferation of independent unregulated bonfires. Any savings made by cancelling the bonfire could be swallowed up by compensation from injuries caused by random fires. She hoped the police, fire service and forum would put their weight behind retaining the Seaton Carew bonfire. Financial support from other organisations would also be welcomed. Mr Bradley reported that the District Manager for Hartlepool was already preparing a case for

retention. Scrutiny Co-ordinating Committee had also suggested that partnership with other services as a way to share the financial burden of the event should be considered.

Resident Donna Hotham asked whether shops could be prevented from selling fireworks in October. Chief Inspector Beeston advised that shops were legally allowed to sell fireworks 3 weeks before bonfire night and for a period at Christmas. Inspector Toor asked that any concerns regarding illegal sales to under-age children be passed onto police officers. Councillor Marjorie James felt the problem was adults procuring fireworks for children rather than children purchasing themselves.

The Chair thanked the Cleveland Fire Brigade representative for attending the meeting.

14. ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR UNIT UPDATE

The Senior Anti-Social Behaviour Officer gave details of a number of initiatives which had been carried out by the Anti-Social Behaviour Unit recently. These included resident focus groups as part of the development of a new social behaviour strategy and work with residents in the Rift House, Owton and Fens areas. Members were offered a further opportunity to contribute to the resident focus groups should they wish to.

The annual Anti-Social behaviour Awareness Day involving Hartlepool's year 8 pupils was due to start on 8th February. Anybody wishing to attend was asked to contact the officer. The Vice-Chair queried which voluntary sector organisations had been invited. The Senior Anti-Social Behaviour Officer indicated that approximately 18 groups had been invited, including the Police,

Fire Brigade, Safe in Tees Valley and Housing Hartlepool. Members were also offered a further opportunity to contribute to the resident focus groups.

The Chair thanked the Anti-Social Behaviour Officer for attending the meeting and answering questions.

15. CRIME AND DISORDER CO-ORDINATION UPDATE

The Community Safety Project Officer gave details of the results of the 12 month Strategic Assessment review which had recently been completed. Priorities for 2011/12 were highlighted, including alcohol treatment, criminal damage and confidence and cohesion. Details were also given of the new objectives of the unit for 2011-2014.

Councillor Steve Gibbon thanked officers for their hard work and efforts in the South area over the past year.

Councillor Christopher Akers-Belcher asked whether an impact assessment had been carried out on the department in light of the budget cuts. Were any of the priority services at risk and would partners be able to work to the same level? The Community Safety Project Officer was unable to comment on any contingency plans as there would be no official confirmation on budget cuts until March. Every effort would be made to continue to deliver the best service possible.

Resident Michael Ward asked if statistics were available to prove the impact which the unit had on its objectives previously. The Community Safety Project Officer said that there were no statistics relating to individual teams. Every project carried out by the unit was evaluated but this might be through public feedback rather than statistical data. Chief Inspector Beeston felt that it was difficult to quantify

exactly what element of the partnership had led to the reduction. Mr Ward felt statistics would help in making decisions on where to make budget cuts. The Neighbourhood Manager acknowledged this but did not want the positive outcomes to be forgotten.

The Chair thanked the Community Safety Project Officer for attending the meeting and answering questions

16. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

No items

17. ANY ISSUES TO BE RAISED BY COUNCILLORS AND RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVES

Councillor Geoff Lilley expressed his sadness at the recent death of Ray Waddington who had cleaned the South's shopping precincts as part of the cleansing team. He moved that a letter of condolence be sent from the forum to his family. This was seconded by Councillor Marjorie James.

Councillor Marjorie James asked whether there had been any action taken regarding the lack of supervision at the Solid Rock youth club. Inspector Toor would follow this up.

The meeting concluded at 11:05 am

Report of: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (TRANSPORTATION & TRAFFIC)

Subject: HARTLEPOOL BOROUGH COUNCIL DRAFT LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN 3

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To provide Hartlepool Borough Council with appropriate comments, via consultation with the Neighbourhood Consultative Forums, relating to the content of the Provisional Hartlepool Local Transport Plan 2011.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The draft third Local Transport Plan has been developed to deliver outcomes that have been identified as priorities by all stakeholders including those identified through the Sustainable Community Strategy in the Environment Theme.
- 2.2 The Council's Second Local Transport Plan (LTP2) covers the period to 31st March 2011, after this date the Council's Third Local Transport Plan (LTP3) will come in to effect.

3. THIRD LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN (DRAFT) – BRIEF OUTLINE

- 3.1 The Draft plan has been developed in the way reported and in accordance with the most up to date guidance available from central government.
- 3.2 The provisional document has been set out in the following sections

Section 1- Introduction

This section provides the background as to how and why the document has been produced and how it links to National, Regional, Sub-Regional and Local agendas.

Section 2- Tees Valley Transport Strategy

This section details the sub-regional issues and agendas and explains how Hartlepool fits into this.

Section 3- Transport in Hartlepool

Sets out how transport impacts upon residents, businesses and visitors to the Borough including details of travel demand patterns and key pressures on the transport network.

Section 4- LTP 3 Vision and Objectives

Sets out the vision and objectives for the third Local Transport Plan and considers how transport supports and contributes to the Council's wider policy agendas and aspirations for all who live, work and visit the town.

Section 5- Delivering Sustainable Economic Growth

Identifies how transport can contribute to sustainable economic growth in Hartlepool.

Section 6- Reducing the Impact of Transport on the Environment and Tackling Climate Change.

Looks at how the LTP can support Hartlepool's Climate Strategy by reducing the impact of transport on the environment.

Section 7- Safer and Healthier Travel

Relates to improving transport related safety and security as well as promoting healthier travel.

Section 8- Improve Equality of Opportunity through access to Services

Where people live impacts directly upon their ability to access services as their ability to travel is affected by the quality of the transport available to them. This section looks at how transport options can be positively influenced.

Section 9- Quality of Life

This section deals with ensuring that transport helps to improve quality of life for all.

Section 10- Linking the Objectives

Links together the objectives identified in sections 5 to 9 of the Plan.

Part 2 of the Plan identifies the intended Delivery Programme towards achieving the objectives set out over the first four years for which budgets have been indicated.

- 3.3 The recent settlement letter, from the Department for Transport, for the Integrated Transport and Structural Maintenance block funding for the next four years has shown large reductions in the indicative budgets previously indicated by the outgoing Government. The differences are tabled below:

	2011/12 £000s	2012/13 £000s	2013/14 £000s	2014/15 £000s
Integrated Transport Block				
Indicative Budget	1169	1193	1217	1241
Actual Budget	526	561	561	790
Difference	-55%	-53%	-54%	-36%

	2011/12 £000s	2012/13 £000s	2013/14 £000s	2014/15 £000s
Highways Capital Maintenance Block				
Indicative Budget	864	881	899	917
Actual Budget	823	849	781	766
Difference	-5%	-4%	-13%	-16%
* Note: 2011/12 and 2012/13 are final allocations, 2013/14 and 2014/15 are indicative.				

- 3.4 It can be seen from the above that the Integrated Transport Block has been reduced significantly from indicative budgets provided before the change in Government and subsequent to the Comprehensive Spending Review.
- 3.5 Capital maintenance budgets have also been reduced but by a much lesser degree.
- 3.6 Given the above reductions and the existing commitment towards the Tees Valley Bus Network Improvement programme (£238k per year up to and including 2014/15), the Councils ability to build on previous LTP successes is restricted over the first four years of the new plan period.
- 3.7 The Government have also announced a new Local Sustainable Transport Fund which will be available for Councils to bid for additional funding to support their LTP aspirations. The overall value of the Fund, over the four year period to 2014/15, is £560 million and guidance is awaited as to the process for bidding and the criteria as to how the decisions on the allocation of funding will be taken. Initial indication are that this criteria will include meeting the core objectives of supporting economic growth and reducing carbon and that bids will need to demonstrate value for money, deliverability and affordability for a four year package of works (i.e. there will only be two rounds of bidding in 2011/12 for the full four year allocation).

4. RECOMMENDATION

- 4.1 ***To note the Report and provide comments to the appropriate contact officer as detailed below.***

5.0 CONTACT OFFICER

- 5.1 Please send your comments to : Neil Jeffery
LTP Co-ordinator
Hartlepool Borough Council
1 Church Street
HARTLEPOOL
TS24 7DS

or e-mail : transport@hartlepool.gov.uk

The LTP3 Draft Report can be downloaded via the Council website

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- Within the narrative, there is a section worded “**All 3 of these reports can be accessed from here**”. Click on this link.
- A new page is then displayed and under the heading LTP3 DRAFT, there is a link “**LTP3 Draft**”. Click on this link.
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The deadline for comments to be received is **Monday 28th February, 2011.**

Report of: Neighbourhood Manager (South)

Subject: MINOR WORKS PROPOSALS

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To consider improvement schemes for potential funding from the South Neighbourhood Consultative Forum Minor Works Budget.

2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Minor Works Budget remaining for the financial year to 31st March 2011 amounts to £23,105 (**Appendix A**). This includes the £2,000 reduction from the local transport plan following in year cuts to address budget shortfalls.
- 2.2 A number of schemes are detailed below to address concerns raised by Elected Members, Resident's Representatives and Residents of the South Forum Area.

3. PROPOSALS

3.1 Footpath Construction Scheme

(i) Fens

- (a) Stamford Walk **£2,200 (Appendix B)**

In order to improve access to the Doctor's surgery it is proposed to construct a new footpath in Stamford Walk. This new footpath will provide a more direct route to the Doctor's surgery from, both ends of Stamford Walk, and remove the existing problem of people either walking over a muddy verge or taking a longer route in order to access the surgery.

3.2 Lighting Schemes

i) Fens

- a) Burwell Walk **£5,750**

It is proposed to upgrade the existing concrete lighting columns in Upton Walk, Burwell Walk and the alley between Mowbray Road and Upton walk. The scheme will include 6 lighting columns with 60 Watt cosmo lamps dimmed down to 45Watt at certain hours.

ii) Rossmere

- a) Brierton Lane **£6,000**

Due to the poor lighting in Brierton Lane it is proposed to upgrade the lighting by installing 28 new lighting columns utilising new white cosmo lamps dimmed down to 45w at certain hours. The total cost of the scheme is **£30,000** and it is requested that the forum joint fund this scheme by contributing £6,000 towards this scheme.

ii) Seaton

- a) The Green **£4,000**

As a continued effort to improve the conservation area in Seaton it is proposed to install one period style light at the north west corner of The Green and relocate an existing light on the south side in order to install an extra column in that area.

- b) Green Terrace **£5,000**

Again in keeping with the conservation area in Seaton 4 period style lights are proposed to be installed to replace the existing lighting.

Total cost for all lighting schemes £47,250

Total cost to the Forum for lighting schemes £20,750

Total cost of all minor Works to the forum £22,950

4 RECOMMENDATION

- 4.1 The Forum is asked to consider the above schemes for approval. Approved schemes will need to be presented to the Community Safety & Housing Portfolio Holder

SOUTH AREA – MINOR WORKS 2010/2011 £87,000.00 BUDGET

FORUM APPROVED DATE	LOCATION	WARD	WORK	TOTAL COST OF SCHEME	COST TO FORUM	TOTAL
			£2,000 reduction due in year 2010/11 from Local Transport Plan allocation Contribution to Pride in Hartlepool		£2,000.00	£2,000.00
9/4/10	South Area	All			£5,000.00	£7,000.00
2/7/10	South Area	All	Dropped Crossing Programme		£3,500.00	£10,500.00
22/10/10	Stockton Road	Rossmere	Verge re-instatement		£4,300.00	£14,800.00
22/10/10	Irvine Road	Fens	Verge re-instatement		£420.00	£15,220.00
22/10/10	Retford Grove	Fens	Verge re-instatement		£5,000.00	£20,220.00
22/10/10	Grosmont Road	Seaton	Verge re-instatement		£2,075.00	£22,295.00
22/10/10	Kilmarnock Rd	Owton	Verge re-instatement		£6,850.00	£29,145.00
22/10/10	Fordyce Road	Owton	Verge re-instatement		£5,750.00	£34,895.00
22/10/10	Fordyce Road	Owton	Verge re-instatement		£1,600.00	£36,495.00
22/10/10	Fordyce Road	Owton	Verge re-instatement		£2,800.00	£39,295.00
22/10/10	Endrick Road	Owton	Verge re-instatement		£1,850.00	£41,145.00
			Contribution from Housing Hartlepool		-£2,800.00	£38,345.00
22/10/10	Stamford Walk	Fens	Replacement tree planting		£300.00	£38,645.00
22/10/10	Catcote Road	Fens	Replacement tree planting		£300.00	£38,945.00
22/10/10	Spalding Field	Fens	Tree Planting		£900.00	£39,845.00
22/10/10	Armadae Grove	Rossmere	Replant shrub box		£1,020.00	£40,865.00
22/10/10	Rossmere Way	Rossmere	Bollards		£2,800.00	£43,665.00
22/10/10	Caithness Road	Rossmere	Access Ramps		£1,200.00	£44,865.00
22/10/10	High Street	Greatham	Traffic Calming		£5,000.00	£49,865.00
17/12/10	The Grove	Greatham	Verge re-instatement		£10,700.00	£60,565.00
17/12/10	Gala Close	Seaton	Shrub planting and fence		£330.00	£60,895.00
17/12/10	Seaton Park	Seaton	Outdoor Gym Feasibility Study		£3,000.00	£63,895.00



STAMFORD WALK - Shaded areas represent new footpath construction

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