



**Minutes of the Kilcooley Neighbourhood Partnership Meeting on
Thursday 15th March at the Kilcooley Community Centre
10.30-12**

PRESENT:

Pete Wray (Chair of KNP)
Lynda Vladenuea (Vice Chair)
Jim Dunbar (EA)
Alison Dunbar (Youth EA)
Stephen McBurney (NIHE)

Desy Clayton (Kilcooley Community Forum)
James McKerrow (Agenda NI)
Pauline Browne (Kilcooley Primary School)

ANDBC Officers in Attendance:

Fran Dowler (Neighbourhood Renewal Officer)
Stephen Addy (Community Development Manager)

APOLOGIES:

David Stitt (Charter NI)
Alan Leslie (ANDBC)
Jim Rea (Bangor Alternatives)
Anita Wray (DfC)
Owen Brady (NIHE)
Andrew Petrie (DfC)
Alison Blayney (KWC)

1.0 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

Pete Wray welcomed members to the meeting.

Apologies were noted from, David Stitt, Alan Leslie, Jim Rea, Anita Wray, Owen Brady, Andrew Petrie and Alison Blayney.

NOTED

2.0 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

The Chair invited Members to review the agenda and advise if any item could give rise to a potential conflict of interest.

None were noted.

NOTED

3.0 Minutes of the Kilcooley Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership Meeting on 7th December 2017

Members were invited to review the minutes of the Kilcooley Neighbourhood Renewal Partnership Meeting on 7th December 2017.

The Minutes were proposed by Desy Clayton and seconded by Alison Dunlop.

NOTED

4.0 Education Working Group

An update was given to members on the progress made by the Education Working Group to move forward with the 'Parental Engagement in Education' Programme.

A meeting between the Kilcooley Primary School, SYD Little, Educational Consultant for The Kilcooley Community Forum and Darren Nixon from Eye4Education to discuss their services and what they could offer was held. The fee for this service is £250.00 per day, with the expectation of 4 days a month. Per year this would cost £10,000 (excluding July and August). Funding would be required to cover this cost.

During the Education Working Group Meeting, members discussed the need to ensure that taking on such a commitment service is value for money. In order for this to work for Kilcooley, this programme needs to be run alongside the Community Champion Model. Members were encouraged by the Programme outline plan provided and were in agreement that moving forward with such a Programme would be beneficial. A programme would realistically take 24 months to be embedded and for results to be tangible, however in the first instance securing funding for 10-12 months would be a good start.

A further update will be provided at the next Partnership meeting on the progress with funding the programme.

The GET SET Kilcooley poster has been completed and will form part of the NIHE Adshells funding application. The poster will also be shared on the Kilcooley Primary School Facebook Page.

Desy Clayton has contacted Glen Molloy, an artist who specialises in Mural paintings and will be meeting with him w/c 19th March to discuss the design and moving this forward.

The Mural needs to have the approval and support from the community.

In addition, funding will be sought (in conjunction with the Council's Good Relation's Team) if possible to create the same mural on the side wall of the Kilcooley Community Centre. Pete Wray will be taking this forward.

NOTED

5.0 Health Task Force

The meeting scheduled for the 7th February has been pushed back to 27th March 2018 due to lack of quorum. New items stemming from the results of the Kilcooley Community Survey will be added to the agenda. These include Drugs and Alcohol and Mental Health.

Alison Dunlop (Education Authority Youth Services) informed members that there were a series of Mental Health Programmes being rolled out. The analysis coming from this will be shared with members at the next meeting.

The Task Force need to look at organisations that can deliver a range of services including Mental Health Services and LGBT. (Extern was suggested as such an organisation). It was highlighted that there are currently no support services for LGBT in the Ards and North Borough, the nearest facilities offered in Belfast.

The SDI Forum do offer a counselling service however this service is not popular with families. ANDBC need to take a lead on pushing the use of facilities forwards. It was suggested that a Health Task Force meeting in the near future could be dedicated to showcasing the range of services the SEHSCT offer. This information could be pulled together to form an information leaflet.

The Ravara Court opening will take place on Friday 23rd March.

The 2018 Kilcooley Women's Health Fair is also taking place on 23rd March.

65 warm packs have been distributed to men within Kilcooley by the Kilcooley Community Forum.

NOTED

6.0 Social Investment Fund

Upgrade of Shop Fronts

Members were updated on the progress of the upgrade of the shop fronts. A contractor has been appointed. It is not clear as yet what the order of development will be, despite a request going forward that the Kilcooley site be prioritised.

AP – S McB will update group of any developments as they occur.

3G Pitch

The group were informed that the NIHE has confirmed that the Chief Executive's Business Committee has approved the transfer of the freehold to the Council for a nil consideration. In the next few days this will be sent to the Department of Communities for final approval and sign off.

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Early Intervention

The Head of Kilcooley Primary School informed the group that there is no Early Intervention Programme currently running and there have been numerous issues engaging parents with this programme in the past, despite the pressure put on the school to take the programme forward. A peer coach will be meeting with teachers in the coming weeks to offer support. The SEHSCT advised that this programme has been rolled out successfully within other schools across the borough and that once parental engagement has been achieved it is a very successful programme. There are however no guarantees that the monies would be available again in the future to roll out the programme again.

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7.0 The KNP Vision and Action Plan 2018-2019

The NRO updated members on the KNP Vision and Action Plan 2018-2019, thanking members for their contributions.

The NRO will circulate copies of the current Vision and Action Plan and ask members to review their organisations proposed actions within the Economic, Social, Community and Physical objective areas.

AP - The NRO will circulate the KNP Vision and Action Plan to all members for final comment.

8.0 AOB

NOTED

10. Date of Next meeting

Thursday 26th April at 10.30-12 in the Kilcooley Community Centre.