
MEETING	HULL ROAD WARD COMMITTEE
DATE	7 JULY 2010
PRESENT	COUNCILLORS CREGAN AND PIERCE
APOLOGIES	COUNCILLORS
IN ATTENDANCE	13 RESIDENTS

7. DROP IN SURGERY FROM 7PM

The drop in surgery gave residents the chance to meet and speak with ward councillors, street environment officer, safer neighbourhood policing team, neighbourhood management officer and visiting speakers informally.

8. WELCOME AND MINUTES

Cllr Roger Pierce welcomed residents to the meeting.

The minutes of the last Ward Committee were agreed and signed.

9. SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING TEAM

PC Barrow gave an update of activities in the ward.

- The police have been working closely with Housing and the schools on various initiatives.
- In August the police have organised 3 weeks worth of activities at the schools. The events range from football to dance and are for all children age from 5 to 12 years.
- There are summer police surgeries organised where residents can bring along their bicycle and get it security marked.
- There has been an increase in flytipping and dumping from student properties which the police are working alongside Housing to try and control and educate residents.

10. A DAY IN THE LIFE OF AN ESTATE MANAGER

Paul Morrison the Housing Tenancy Manager gave a brief quiz with residents on Housing statistics and the role of the Estate Manager.

- How many Council properties are in York? **Approx 8000**
- How large is the average patch managed by an Estate Manager? **800**
- What is the average property relet time in days? **19 days**
- How many properties are left by tenants each year? **650**
- How many cases were evicted for nuisance in the last 12 months? **12**
- How many active nuisance cases do we have at any one time? **270**

- Which of these are genuine orders available to the council? CRASBO, Dispersal Order, Demotion, Crack House Closure, **ALL**
- How much does Tang Hall get to spend on Estate Improvement Grant each year? **£26,400**

Questions and issues raised by residents were;

- EIG schemes in the past have been car parking and play equipment which have been great for the area.
- How do you complain about a tenant? *You can ring the switchboard or the Estate Manager or report it to the police.*
- How does the Council waiting list work? *When you are top of the list CYC will arrange to view a property with you.*
- What consent do tenants need for improvements? *Introductory tenants cannot make any improvements but any structural changes must be receive permission.*
- When will Choice based lettings start? It is due to start in November.
- How many are on the council housing waiting list? *Approx 3000*

11. **PLAYBUILDER FOR HULL ROAD WARD**

Beth Cooper the playbuilder project manager gave a brief update on the project in this ward;

- The Playbuilder project is York wide to deliver 22 play areas across the city over 2 years.
- The first 11 have been completed and 5 of these were delivered by the parish Councils.
- The allocation of money for Hull Road was originally going to be at Badger Hill, but this has now changed and it will be situated in Hull Road park.
- The design is to extend the play area that is already there. As there is no need to request planning permission then there is no statutory obligation to consult locally.

Residents raised the following;

- Who will decide on the final design? *Local people will make the decision based on certain criteria.*

12. **YOUR WARD, YOUR CITY, YOUR SAY**

13. **HAVE YOUR SAY**

Residents raised the following under 'Have Your Say';

- What are the recycling changes in Burlington Avenue and when will this be? The NMU will find out the information for the resident and contact them.
- Can we clarify who will be responding to the Hull Road planning panel queries as the member of staff who looked after the ward previously has now left.? The NMU will confirm who this will be.
- Please can we change the ward newsletter as it is not very exciting to read.