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KIRKLEES COUNCIL

AREA COMMITTEE – HOLME VALLEY

Thursday 27 March 2014

Present: Councillor Patrick in the Chair
Councillors Firth, Greaves, Holroyd-Doveton, Lyons and Sims
Holme Valley Parish Councillor Searby

Also present: Approximately forty members of public

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Holroyd-Doveton

1 Chair's Welcome and Introduction

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and Committee Members introduced themselves.

2 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

RESOLVED – The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on the 6 February 2014 were approved as a correct record.

3 Interests

Councillor Greaves declared a pecuniary interest under item 8, grant request for Carlile Institute - Meltham Community Trust. Councillor Greaves didn't speak and abstained to vote on this item.

4 Admissions of the Public

It was noted that all Agenda items would be considered in public session.

5 Deputations/ Petitions

No deputations or petitions were received.

6 Neighbourhood Policing Update

Inspector Trueman and Police Community Support Officer Chamberlain reported on the stabbing incident in Netherthong, and the three arrests made; the antisocial behaviour and damage to Morrison's property in Meltham; stone theft campaign; and crime statistics for the Holme Valley North and Holme Valley South wards.

RESOLVED – That Inspector Trueman and Police Community Support Officer Chamberlain be thanked for their presentations.

7 Tour de France – Update on Event Planning

Kathryn Broadbent (Streetscene and Housing - Operational Manager) provided the Committee with an update on the Tour de France preparations from an operational and logistical perspective, as well as with regards to the economic impact the event will have for the valley and the borough.

Kathryn Broadbent answered questions from the public around emergency planning, parking, communication, etcetera.

RESOLVED – That Kathryn Broadbent be thanked for her presentation.

8 Area Committee Budget

Councillor Greaves declared a pecuniary interest under item 8, grant request for Carlile Institute - Meltham Community Trust. Councillor Greaves didn't speak and abstained to vote on this item.

The Committee noted the balance of its budget and considered a number of projects for decision.

To note – return to budget Holme Car Parking, £25,000.00 approved 24 February 2009

To note – Discretionary Grant £250 approved 27 March to Holme Village Residents Association 2014 towards Holme Public Toilet Asset Transfer.

RESOLVED –

(1) That the following allocations be noted:

Return to budget Holme Car Parking, £25,000.00 approved 24 February 2009

Discretionary Grant £250 approved 27 March to Holme Village Residents Association 2014 towards Holme Public Toilet Asset Transfer.

(2) That the following allocations be approved:

- (a) £500.00 revenue to Community Hall Refurbishment Project - Wooldale Community Association (Holme Valley South) - GRANT
- (b) £2,000.00 revenue to The Felted Yurt – Holme Village Residents' Association (Holme Valley South) - GRANT
- (c) £1,930.00 revenue and £3,070.00 capital to Disabled Toilet Refurbishment and Replacement of Entrance and Lobby Doors - Hepworth Community Association (Holme Valley South) – GRANT

- (d) £10,000.00 revenue to Carlile Institute – Meltham Community Trust (Holme Valley North) – (£555 00 2013/2014 budget; £9,445 00 2014/2015 budget) - GRANT
- (e) £1,000.00 revenue to Support to Holme Valley South Neighbourhood Management Group (Holme Valley South)
- (f) £1,000.00 revenue to Honley Tour de France Extravaganza (Holme Valley North) – GRANT
- (g) £1,000.00 capital to Holme Valley Mountain Rescue Team Headquarters – GRANT
- (h) £25,000 capital to Provision of Additional Car Parking Spaces in Holme Village Residents (Holme Valley South) - GRANT

9 Public Question Time

Questions were asked in regard to the following issues and Councillors advised as to the way forward:

- * Road surfacing in Upbridge and top of Victoria Street which is in a poor state; Councillors explained it was planned for next summer.
- * Concerns from residents regarding road safety in Hepworth and Hepworth Bridge. Road Safety Group is asking Committee to support speed restrictions and signage 'welcoming careful drivers'. Councillors explained that 20 miles per hour zones had been very effective in the past, but was costly; Councillors agreed to discuss this at a future Highways ward meeting.
- * Concerns regarding closure of attended public toilet in Holmfirth. Councillors explained that the considerable budget constraints resulted in cut of public provisions; however alternatives needed to be explored.

10 Dates of Future Meetings

Meeting for the new municipal year 2014-2015 will be advertised once confirmed.