Pride in Place Neighbourhood Board

Seacombe

Minutes (DRAFT)

Date: 10th July 2026
Time: 3.30pm-5.30pm
Location: Diversity Hub 67, 6 Liscard Road, Seacombe, CH44 6LN
Chair: Nicky Fenton

This meeting was originally scheduled to be held on 26th June 2026.

In Attendance (Board)

Nicky Fenton (Chair)	Mark Fleming
Angela Eagle MP	Becky Biddulph
Paul Stuart	Scott Lowe
Sarah Martingel	Brian Kilbride (supported by Chris)
Jacob Shardey	Christine Parker
Jamie Carter	Yang Liu
Paul McGowan	Matt Houghton

Apologies

None

In attendance (non-board)

Kate Pierce (Wirral Council)

Rebeccah Lowry (Wirral Council)

Agenda Item	Actions
1. Welcome and Introductions Nicky Fenton as Chair opened the meeting and welcomed the Board.	

Dame Angela Eagle MP welcomed the Board and shared her aspirations for the Pride in Place programme for Seacombe. Introductions were made by all attendees.	
2. The Pride in Place Programme KP provided an overview of the Pride in Place Programme, the purpose of the Board, programme timeframes, the funding profile and the role of the Council as Accountable Body. The Board discussed the proposed boundary as set out by Ministry of Housing Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) and the merits of extending this. The Board noted that the funds could be spent outside of the area should the community within the defined areas be considered to benefit. **DECISION**: The Board determined that the boundary should remain as proposed. The Board agreed that no changes would be made.	KP to provide timeframe for the Board.
3. Agreement of Terms of Reference The Board considered the Terms of Reference and discussed possible amendments. The Board agreed that they were generic and should be amended to relate only to Seacombe Pride in Place area. **DECISION**: The Board accepted the Terms of Reference subject to them being amended to reflect a focus only on Seacombe.	KP to amend and recirculate.
4. Current Position, Challenges and Opportunities **5. Communications and Engagement** The Chair gave an update on community engagement to date and key themes that were emerging. The Board discussed: • How evidence from different surveys could be collected and collated. JS offered to support with data collection. • Ways to reach seldom heard communities and those who feel less about to have a voice. • What services could help with engaging the community. • The capacity needed of undertaking meaningful consultation in a short timeframe. • The wealth of experiences within the Board for engaging with residents. • The option to appoint specialist organisations to support with local consultation and the benefits and drawbacks of this approach. • The need for a list of questions. • The importance of analysis of data to informing the Place Plan.	AE/PS to share survey results collected by MP's office. Placed and Wordscape to be invited to future meeting. T&F Group to arrange a time to meet. RL to share a note setting out the costs

The Board agreed that a Task & Finish group would be established to draft the Engagement Plan. Membership to include NF, YL, BB, JC, SM. The Board considered the costs incurred in mobilising the programme and in relation to the accountable body function, and procurement requirements.	incurred by the Council in undertaking accountable body function. KP to share a guidance note on procurement
6. Initial Priority Actions The Board discussed community engagement events and 'quick wins'. SL presented a proposed for a large community event. This was unanimously supported by the Board. DECISION: A Task & Finish group should be established to develop the proposal further. Membership to include JC, SL.	T&F group to meet to develop events plan.
7. Next Steps and Action Plan The Board discussed how it might share information between members and store documents. **DECISION**: That a WhatsApp group and Google Drive be set up.	JS to set up WhatsApp group KP to look at whether a Teams channel hosted by the Council would be an option.
8. Any Other Business None	
9. Date of Next Meeting To be confirmed by Chair.	