



**WALLASEY CONSTITUENCY
NEW BRIGHTON COASTAL COMMUNITY TEAM
(NBCCT)
MEETING NOTES**



Monday 19 March 2018

Present:	<p>Caroline Laing (CL) Pat Hackett (PH) Carl Leckey (CLe) Rose Leckey (RL) Cathy Roberts (CR) Tony Jones (TJ) Hedley Rees (HR) Shirley Ashton (SA) Frank Lund (FL) Anna Scrine (AS)</p>	<p>WMBC Constituency Manager (Notes) New Brighton Community Centre Momentary Art Project (MAP) Momentary Art Project (MAP) (part) Literally A Bookshop RNLI (Chair) Wallasey Yacht Club New Brighton Community Partnership The Black Pearl Team Eureka!</p>
Apologies:	<p>Nick Ashfield (NA) David MacKenzie (DM) Rusty Keane (RK) Julie Rowlands (JR) Doug Darroch (DD) Michelle Gray (MG) Christine Downes (CD) Jane Packham (JP) Vicky Rice (VR) Albert Ellis (AE)</p>	<p>Championship Adventure Golf Floral Pavilion Theatre Friends of Vale Park The Light Fort Perch Rock WMBC Constituency Engagement Officer Cabovino Wine Bar & Tapas Aprirose/Marine Point The Queens Royal Seabank Road Residents' & Tenants' Association</p>
Invited:	<p>Tony Hurst (TH) Rev Heather Atkinson (RevA) Carole Bowie (CB) Justin Dooley (JD) Natalie Cooper (NC) Paul Jackson (PJ) Jo Jones (JJ) Neil Mitchell (NM) Dave Peddie (DP) Joanne Kettle (JK)</p>	<p>Arcadia Amusements/Resort Group St James with Emmanuel Church Victoria Road Traders' Association Caffe Cream The Master Mariner Seabank Road Traders' Association Blackberry Grove WMBC Regeneration The New Brighteners Victoria Pharmacy</p>

1.	<p>Welcome, introductions and apologies</p> <p>Apologies were noted.</p>	
2.	<p>Actions and matters arising from the last meeting</p> <p>The notes from the previous meeting had been agreed by email and published at www.wirral.gov.uk/newbrighton.</p> <p><i>ACTION: Tony Jones and Caroline Laing to review the terms of reference and agenda for a future meeting for further discussion.</i></p> <p>Completed. Agenda item for this meeting.</p>	

	<p><i>ACTION: Jane Morgan/Caroline Laing to facilitate a sub-group of NBCCT to focus upon the creative input into this and other events (e.g. Tall Ships Regatta). Completed. Workshop scheduled for Friday 23 March 2018. Caroline reported that the bid by the Council to the Arts Council England to support the Tall Ships Regatta had been successful and this would fund activity in New Brighton and Hamilton Square; this was received very positively by NBCCT. It was also noted that internal Council capital funding had been agreed for New Brighton to help upgrade/improve the infrastructure in preparedness for the planned large scale events.</i></p> <p>ACTION: Caroline Laing to make further enquiries internally regarding a presence for New Brighton at the forthcoming Liverpool International Business Festival (12-28 June 2018). Carried over. Shirley Ashton provided an example brochure that she had acquired recently related to another area.</p> <p>Matters arising:</p> <p>It was noted that the feather flags of the NBCCT and Great British Coast logos respectively had been delivered and would be first used by New Brighton Visitor Information Point. It was noted that the sea defence wall was unfortunately not a suitable location for the painting of the Great British Coast logo as it was not rendered, however it was agreed that the shelter at the entrance to New Brighton on Harrison Drive was an ideal location and had a suitable surface. It was suggested that a branded flag be purchased which could be moved around various existing flag poles in New Brighton. Cathy Roberts offered a flag pole which was currently stored on her premises and had been donated.</p> <p>ACTION: Caroline Laing to price a branded flag.</p> <p>Carl Leckey reported that there is a further meeting regarding the Family Beach Sand Sculpture Competition later in the week. The event on Sunday 12 August 2018 is currently being promoted.</p> <p>Carl reported that United Utilities had kindly agreed to fund the artwork that will be undertaken by St John Plessington Catholic College on the Momentary Art Project's 'rotunda' project (end of Victoria Parade). United Utilities has also given approval for the attachment of a statue to one of the benches.</p> <p>Carl has contacted Marine Point regarding the Clog/Morris dancers performing there, plus other potential activity. Carl also reported that the repairs to the disabled toilet at Marine Point would be undertaken by the Council before Easter.</p>	<p>CL</p> <p>CL</p>
<p>3.</p>	<p>Anna Scrine (Interim Development Director – Eureka!)</p> <p>Anna attended to update the group on the plans for Eureka! Merseyside; the opening of a children's science and learning museum (science and discovery centre) at the Spaceport (Seacombe) site in 2021. Anna outlined the background to the proposal, its funding structure and the operation of Eureka!'s successful site in Halifax (https://www.eureka.org.uk/). The proposals for the new £11m site, which was anticipated to bring in 240,000 visitors in its first year, were outlined and discussed. The extensive work and engagement to co-design the content was noted. The proposal was fully supported by NBBCT and the opportunities for moving footfall between New Brighton and Eureka! and vice versa noted.</p>	

	<p>A proposed bid by the Council to the Coastal Communities Fund was discussed; this would include, amongst other things, better 'animating' the promenade between Seacombe Ferry and Eureka! Merseyside to encourage greater footfall along the promenade. Initial thoughts were gathered and it was agreed that there would be a Task & Finish Meeting of NBCCT on Thursday 5 April 2018 to discuss this further. The closing date for bids (Stage 1) is the end of April 2018.</p> <p>Anna was thanked for her time and NBCCT looks forward to working with Eureka! as the plans progress. Anna left the meeting.</p> <p>https://inews.co.uk/news/science/plans-new-eureka-museum-liverpool-inspire-tomorrows-scientists-engineers/</p>	
4.	<p>Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO-001 New Brighton Lakes)</p> <p>The expiry of the current Public Spaces Protection Order in July 2018, covering Marine Lake and New Brighton Boating Lake, was noted. The Order was put in place in July 2015 to tackle anti-social behaviour at the lakes, particularly during the warmer months, which was negatively affecting businesses, and visitor and resident experience. The PSPO outlines various conduct which if engaged in (i.e. the order is not complied with) constitutes a criminal offence.</p> <p>It was noted that since the implementation of the PSPO the issues have reduced significantly. The collective view of NBCCT is that it wishes to see a new PSPO implemented to continue consecutively with the current Order. Concern was expressed that any gap between Orders would potentially lead to an increase in anti-social behaviour. It was also noted that there had been some comments on social media, albeit possibly in jest, about misuse of a new roof terrace and it was felt that the existence of a PSPO would be a sufficient deterrent to deter any jumping into Marine Lake.</p>	
5.	<p>Sir Ken Dodd</p> <p>Condolences were expressed for the family and friends of Sir Ken Dodd and his sad passing. A plaque is to be erected within the Floral Pavilion in his memory and ideas were gathered as to a lasting memorial to celebrate his life and contribution. It was noted that a number of media outlets were currently gathering ideas too. It was agreed that ideas would be discussed further with Lady Dodd at an appropriate time via Cathy Roberts.</p>	
6.	<p>Terms of Reference</p> <p>A revised draft Terms of Reference, collated by Caroline Laing and Tony Jones as per a previous action, were discussed. These were agreed unanimously, save for one item related to membership which Carl Leckey wished to see extended to a group which undertook much positive work in New Brighton but which had a borough-wide remit.</p> <p>ACTION: Caroline Laing to publish the revised Terms of Reference at www.wirral.gov.uk/newbrighton and contact NBCCT members who have not attended meetings for three or more consecutive meetings.</p>	CL

7.	<p>Any other business</p> <p>Regret at the reported closure of Prezzo and Chimichanga at Marine Point was noted. Following the meeting it was confirmed that Prezzo is remaining open.</p> <p>Carl Leckey noted the improvement that the removal of the empty lamppost planters in Victoria Road had made and the positive impact of the railings planters etc. being maintained by the local community.</p> <p>Carl reported that there were now 107 'recycled' benches installed by Wirral Older People's Parliament along the promenade. He also outlined discussions ongoing with a nursing organisation regarding a potential exhibition.</p> <p>Pat Hackett and Tony Jones are awaiting a meeting with Council officers for updates regarding the Budgens and other local sites and the ongoing Beatles Peace Plaza proposal.</p> <p>NBCCT branded window vinyls for members were distributed and can be obtained from Caroline Laing/Michelle Gray.</p>	
	<p>Date of next meetings (closed)</p> <p><u>Tuesday</u> 24 April Monday 21 May Monday 18 June Monday 16 July Monday 10 September Monday 15 October Monday 12 November Monday 10 December</p>	