



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



Monday 16 January 2017

Present:	Caroline Laing (CL) Tony Jones (TJ) Shirley Ashton (SA) Hedley Rees (HR) Carl Leckey (CLe) Frank Lund (FL) Christine Downes (CD) Julie Rowlands (JR) Pippa Lea (PL) Rusty Keane (RK) Pat Hackett (PH) Alex Lewis Rebecca Boulger	WMBC Constituency Manager (Notes) RNLI (Chair) New Brighton Community Partnership Wallasey Yacht Club Momentary Art Project (MAP) The Black Pearl Team Cabovino Wine Bar & Tapas The Light Floral Pavilion Theatre Friends of Vale Park New Brighton Community Centre WMBC Procurement WMBC Procurement
Apologies:	Michelle Gray (MG) Doug Darroch (DD) David MacKenzie (DM)	WMBC Constituency Engagement Officer Fort Perch Rock Floral Pavilion Theatre
Invited:	Albert Ellis (AE) Nick Ashfield (NA) Natalie Cooper (NC) Neil Mitchell (NM) Justin Dooley (JD) Paul Jackson (PJ) Vicky Rice (VR) David Wilkie (DW) Tony Hurst (TH) Leanne Wells (LW) Richard Hughes (RH)	Seabank Road Residents' & Tenants' Association Championship Adventure Golf The Master Mariner WMBC Regeneration Caffe Cream Seabank Road Traders' Association The Queens Royal Wilkie Leisure Group Ltd Arcadia Amusements/Resort Group The Olive Tree Aprirose

1.	Welcome, introductions and apologies Alex Lewis and Rebecca Boulger were present to observe progress on the Mermaid Trail, having supported NBCCT with the procurement process to identify a designer.	
2.	Actions and matters arising from the last meeting The notes from the previous meeting were agreed at the meeting. It was noted that New Brighton Seaside Festival had been advertised. http://www.seaside-festival.co.uk/ ACTION: David Wilkie to undertake further work on his lighting proposal. Ongoing. ACTION: ALL to consider how they may contribute to the volunteer 'information day' for the new Visitor Information Point and feed back to Caroline Laing.	 DW ALL

	<p>Ongoing. This request was renewed.</p> <p>ACTION: Caroline Laing to enquire about any official status following a 'Town Crier' competition.</p> <p>Ongoing.</p> <p>Tony Jones gave thanks to Caroline, Michelle and everyone involved in The Old Town Christmas Fayre which was a very successful event. NBCCT formally confirmed a further £2,000 contribution to the event from its small operating budget. The event will be discussed further with local traders and Victoria Road Traders' Association in the hope that this can be repeated and built upon.</p>	CL
3.	<p>Mermaid Trail: Review competition applications</p> <p>The applications from schools and arts-based groups to decorate five of the six statues were discussed and scored. The following, which scored most highly, were selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Mosslands School, Wallasey • Wirral Hospitals' School, Cloughton • St George's Primary School, Wallasey • St Mary's Catholic College, Wallasey • Ebb & Flow CIC <p>The groups will be notified and a press release will follow in due course.</p> <p>ACTION: Caroline Laing to arrange an opportunity for members of NBCCT to meet the designer, Barry Canning-Eaton.</p>	CL
4.	<p>Review: Work Programme</p> <p>All short-term projects were discussed and reviewed.</p> <p>ACTION: Caroline Laing to arrange a further meeting of the Tourism & Marketing Task & Finish Group to progress the projects related to cruises and attractions ticketing. Caroline to also discuss with the Council's Visitor Economy Team.</p> <p>All medium and long-term projects will be reviewed at the February meeting. The need to focus on attracting further investment to New Brighton was highlighted and discussed.</p>	CL
5.	<p>Any other business</p> <p>Carl Leckey reported that five further 'recycled' benches had been installed on Ian Fraser Walk by Wirral Older People's Parliament; seven more were awaiting installation.</p> <p>Carl Leckey provided an update on his proposal for a 'spin off' project of the Mermaid Trail; various permissions are being sought.</p> <p>The demand for campervan parking in New Brighton was noted and discussed.</p> <p>The proposed 'paid for' parking at New Brighton was discussed. Members of the public can submit any comments, together with the grounds on which they are made, on-line by Friday 10 February 2017 at www.wirral.gov.uk/highways</p>	

("Submit comments, questions or objections about new highway schemes in Wirral") quoting the scheme reference number SA/PS/2017. Alternatively members of the public can comment in writing to Parking Services Manager, Business Services, Cheshire Lines Building, Canning Street, Birkenhead, Wirral CH41 1ND by Friday 10 February 2017 quoting the scheme reference number SA/PS/2017.

Carl Leckey reported that the feasibility of decoration of the United Utilities rotunda at the end of Victoria Road was being assessed.

Frank Lund reported forthcoming activity on The Black Pearl and some repair works required due to the weather.

Christine Downes noted a potential event (30 June–2 July) that had been brought to her attention.

ACTION: Christine Downes to contact the event organiser for further details.

CD

Pippa Lea noted this year's pantomime is Peter Pan, the marketing around which will commence in June; businesses will have the opportunity to tie in with this.

It was noted that one of the Council's proposed budget options for 2017/18 is to 'pause' the allocation of a core budget (£50,000) to each Constituency Committee. If agreed, local groups (that don't already) will need to focus on fundraising to support Christmas lighting activity in towns and shopping areas. If the proposal is agreed at Budget Council, this will be discussed further with the relevant associations/groups in New Brighton (and across the Constituency).

Date of next meetings (closed)

February, Monday 13th

March, Monday 13th

April, Monday 10th

May, Monday 8th

June, Monday 12th

July, Monday 10th

September, Monday 11th

October, Monday 16th

November, Monday 13th

December, Monday 11th