

## Cockermouth Multi Agency Response Group

6 September 2012

Item No	Item
1	<p><b>Present:</b> Tracey Martin (ABC, SSO), Bob Henderson (ABC, Locality Officer), Joe Broomfield (ABC, Cockermouth Town Centre Manager), Bill Rushforth (Impact Housing Officer), Sheila Brown (Cockermouth Town Council Clerk), Philippa Meunzberg (PCSO), David Bell (Highways), Margaret Telford (Home Group), Brian Hanson (Home Group)</p> <p><b>Apologies:</b> Andrew Harrison (Highways), Denise Dervey (ABC, Environmental Warden), Mike Rollo (Operations Manager, ABC), Lynn Postlethwaite (PCSO), Lorraine Crelling (D&amp;S Housing Officer), Yvonne Myers (Community Organiser)</p>
	Chair – Tracey Martin
2	<p><b>Minutes and Action List taken at meeting held on 6 July 2012</b></p> <p>Minutes agreed as a true record.</p> <p><b>Action list</b></p> <p>Contact List – to be re-emailed to the group to provide contact details for the new members, Joe Broomfield and Margaret Telford.</p> <p>CCTV not being directly linked to police – Sheila Brown advised that the CCTV in Cockermouth is definitely not going to be linked up to the new police station. Action to be completed as no further updates needed.</p> <p>ISS Cockermouth Cemetery Depot – Bob Henderson advised that the storage of waste at this site was still a problem. However, this had now been sent higher up and would be looking to getting resolved over the next few weeks. Community payback have not been contacted as Allerdale are going to get ISS to tidy the site including the graffiti. Update to be given at next meeting.</p> <p>Cockermouth cycleway – the cycleway in Cockermouth from behind Aldi up to Strawberry How Road is no longer being maintained by Sustrans. There is a land registry document that shows which sections of the cycle way are owned by Allerdale Borough Council or Cumbria County Council. Bob Henderson is taking the ongoing maintenance issues, including the drainage at the bridge behind the fire station and the graffiti, to a meeting on the 11 September 2012. Bob Henderson to give an update on this at the next meeting.</p> <p>Broken fence at the bottom of Walker Street – the part of the fence that was dangerous had been removed within days of the last meeting. The fence will not be replaced as it is the responsibility of the residents, who have been advised of this. Action to be removed.</p> <p>Waste lane improvements – the designs and costings are in the process of being drawn up should one of the funding applications be successful that were mentioned at the last meeting. Unfortunately there may be a shortfall in the amount needed should the grant be successful, however, Dave Bell would not</p>

know this until the designs are completed. Once completed Dave Bell to email the design and costings to the group, along with any shortfall so that group members can suggest ideas for funding. One thought is that Home Group are approached (as they own the banking) for a contribution. An update to be given about this at the next meeting.

Moveable surveillance cameras – action to be removed as the CCTV is not going to be linked to the police station.

Anti-social behaviour in Cockermouth – Pippa Meunzberg advised that the anti social behaviour in Cockermouth is still low as Jordans Jungle is still working well, as is the initiative that has started at the Cockermouth Leisure Centre.

Redundant signage in Cockermouth – Dave Bell advised that he had not been able to get round to this yet due to work commitments. Joe Broomfield asked Sheila Brown if she could forward the list of redundant signage to him. Update to be given at the next meeting.

Allerdale Borough Council's LEQ document/policy update – Bob Henderson made the group aware that this was ongoing. To give an update at the next meeting.

Dog Control Orders – Bob Henderson informed the group that as Allerdale Borough Council had decided to contact all parishes to see if they would like any dog control areas considered in their parishes, this was currently on hold whilst the information is received and looked at. This exercise has been done to save the Council money as it costs the same amount for one order as it would for twenty. An update to be given on this at the next meeting.

'What the public wants' – is an item on the agenda.

Puddling beside the litter bin underneath bridge at Aldi – Bob Henderson and Dave Bell advised that they had looked at this issue and they had not seen that there was enough puddling that called for maintenance works as there was still access around the area. Bill Rushforth to feedback any further complaints when/if they are received. Action to be removed.

Grey Goat Sign in Market Place – Tracey Martin advised that she had went to get the bolt cutters that morning from ISS so that both her and Bob could remove the sign. However, there had been no-one in the depot. Tracey Martin to ensure this is removed before she finishes her role as Street Scene Officer.

Highways Licensing – this is still ongoing, although, Dave Bell felt that Allerdale Borough Council could have an input on this from a Licensing perspective. Dave Bell and Joe Broomfield to discuss this and feedback/give update at next meeting.

Derelict Buildings on Bridge Street – this is still with Planning who are to continue to work with the landowner to get the issue rectified. Joe Broomfield advised that he would give this until November, and then if it had not moved forward he would speak to Planning about possible enforcement action.

	<p>Lorton Street Crossing Campaign – Dave Bell put forward that the design is still being drawn up for this. An update to be given on this at the next meeting.</p> <p>Public Toilets being taken over by the Town Council – Sheila Brown advised that the Town Council is still in discussions with Allerdale Borough Council about this. There are a few options that she is looking at in order to keep them open. One idea being to get a private company to possibly refurb, and anti-vandal proof them as best as possible who will then collect the entrance money paid via a turnstyle type operation.</p> <p>Cherry trees and benches by river – Kirsten Mawby had been in touch with Sheila Brown about this. Tracey Martin to ask Kirsten to give an update on this to Sheila Brown.</p> <p>Main Street Planters and benches – Sheila Brown reiterated that she just wanted to make sure that the Town Council received the benches back that were on Main Street that were theirs, and that the residents of Highfield wished to use the planters around the Highfield Estate. As the planters are Allerdale Borough Council's, Joe Broomfield said he would contact her separately about this as he did not see that this would be an issue.</p> <p>Fence in disrepair opposite Aldi – Dave Bell had looked into this matter and advised that Highways had contacted the landowner/person responsible for the fence to advise them of the state of disrepair. However, as the fence is privately owned there is nothing that the agencies can do and should someone hurt themselves on the fence it would be a civil matter between the person hurt and the landowner. Action completed.</p> <p>Dog fouling zero tolerance campaign – Bob Henderson gave an update to the group on this and advised that this was very much still a hot potato in Allerdale and should anyone know of any problem areas, or receive complaints from residents that they should put them in contact with the Street Scene Officers/ Environmental Wardens.</p>
<p><b>3</b></p>	<p><b>The future of the group</b></p> <p>Joe Broomfield introduced himself as the Town Centre Manager for Cockermouth. Joe Broomfield then put forward that he would like to change the group a little so that it was more in-line with the Council plan, which may involve bringing more broader issues to the Group. The Group agreed that as we deal with all issues that are brought to them, not just general 'street scene' that this was fine. The term 'street scene' to be removed from the group name.</p> <p>Joe Broomfield asked if the Group would have any objections of the Cockermouth Civic Trust sitting in on the meetings. After much discussion, the Group felt that the best way forward would be for the Civic Trust to contact via the route that was being devised for the public. There was no objection of them contacting the Group via the chosen method and them being provided with minutes of meetings.</p> <p>Tracey Martin advised the group that she would no longer be Street Scene Officer for the Cockermouth area as she is leaving Allerdale Borough Council.</p>

	Until a new person is appointed (if the Council replaces her) Bob Henderson will take on Tracey's role in the group.	
	<b>Responsible Officer</b>	<b>Timescale for completion/update</b>
	Tracey Martin	18/09/2012
<b>4</b>	<b>What the people want</b>	
	<p>Tracey Martin advised that she had spoken to Allerdale's media team and they had been happy with the proposed article for the Cockermouth Post. Joe Broomfield advised that he wished to add slightly to the article. Once Joe Broomfield had added to the article he is to email this to the group for comments. Once the group have agreed the article, this is to be taken back to Allerdale's media team and then placed in the Cockermouth Post.</p> <p>Tracey Martin to arrange for the email address to be set up before she leaves.</p> <p>Sheila Brown advised that she has been asked to set up a website for Cockermouth Town Council, one page of which is free and could be used to publicise the Group. The Group felt this was a good idea. Tracey Martin to email Sheila Brown with the new email address for the public to contact, as well as the last for minutes of meetings.</p>	
	<b>Responsible Officer</b>	<b>Timescale for completion/update</b>
	As above	When completed/before finishes

<p><b>5</b></p>	<p><b>Any other business</b></p> <p>Sheila Brown raised the issue that there was still a shortage of allotments. She advised that the Rivers Meet group were looking to approach people who have large gardens, and/or looking at areas of Cockermonth that needed better maintenance.</p> <p>As there is currently no winter planting in Cockermonth Sheila Brown wanted to know whether the flowers beds could be planted with self-sustainable plants so there would be flowers all year round. Bob Henderson advised this was already being talked about and would keep the group updated on this issue.</p> <p>Bill Rushforth asked about the future of the Community Organisers. Tracey Martin advised that they had accepted the meeting invitation, but would contact them as she was under the impression the roles were finishing at the end of October. Tracey Martin to forward information on this to the group once received.</p> <p>Bob Henderson wanted to know the structure of Highways now that it had all changed. Dave Bell advised that he would email the group once he had checked; however, he felt that the best way to contact was the 0845 number so that the query would then be passed onto the right person.</p> <p>Bob Henderson then went on to ask the Housing Associations in attendance if there was any feedback from their estate walkabouts that needed brought up. Both Impact and Home Group advised that the feedback from residents were generally happy, however, should something come up they would feed into the group or contact the relevant group member. Bill Rushforth then put forward that when they next leaflet their properties they could put information on about the Group.</p>	
	<p><b>Responsible Officer</b></p>	<p><b>Timescale for completion/update</b></p>
	<p>As above</p>	<p>As above</p>

**Cockermouth Streetscene Multi Agency Response Group action list as at 6 September 2012**

<b>Date Added</b>	<b>Responsible Officer</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Original Deadline</b>	<b>Completed/Extended Deadline Date</b>
6 September 12	Tracey Martin	Multi-agency contact list	Amended doc to be emailed to gp	18 Sept 12	
21 July 11	Bob Henderson	ISS to be chased with regards to Cockermouth Cemetery depot – graffiti/tidying	Works to be chased	19 August 11	Ongoing – update to be given at next meeting.
15 September 11	Bob Henderson/Dave Bell	Waste Lane being made into part of cycle path	Update to be given at next meeting	30 October 11	Ongoing
24 November 11	Dave Bell	Redundant signage in Cockermouth	Highways to take the lead on this – update to be given at next meeting	Next meeting	Ongoing
6 July 12	Sheila Brown	Redundant signage in Cockermouth	To email original list to Jo Broomfield	21 Sept 12	
22 March 12	Bob Henderson	LEQ document/policy	To be reviewed	Next meeting	Ongoing
22 March 12	Bob Henderson	Dog control orders	Update to be given at next meeting	30 April 12	Ongoing
6 July 2012	Tracey Martin	Grey Goat sign in Market Place	To look at getting this removed – will need bolt cutters	10 August 12	18 Sept 12
6 July 12	Dave Bell	Highways Licensing	An update to be given	Next meeting	
6 July 12	Joe Broomfield	Derelict buildings, Bridge Street	An update to be given	Next meeting	

6 July 12	Dave Bell	Lorton Street Crossing Campaign	An update to be given	Next meeting	
6 July 12	Sheila Brown	Public toilets being taken over by Town Council	An update to be given	Next meeting	
6 July 12	Joe Broomfield	Main Street planters and benches	To contact Sheila Brown with regards to this	21 Sept 12	
6 Sept 12	Tracey Martin	What the public wants	Email address to be set up for the group	18 Sept 12	
6 Sept 12	Joe Broomfield	What the public wants	Once comments added to article, document to be emailed to the group, then to Helen Murphy before being placed in the Cockermonth Post	Next meeting	
6 Sept 12	Tracey Martin	What the public wants	To email Sheila Brown with email address and minutes from the last four meetings to be placed on the Town Council's website	18 Sept 12	
6 Sept 12	Tracey Martin	Cherry Trees & Benches by river	To speak to Kirsten Mawbray and feedback to Sheila Brown	18 Sept 12	
6 Sept 12	Tracey Martin	The future of the group	The term 'street scene' to be removed from the group name	Before minutes emailed round	