

NEW DEAL : NEW HORIZONS

**Minutes of a Housing & Environment meeting
 held at the Blakenall Village Centre
 on Tuesday 8th January 2008, at 6.30 p.m.**

In attendance

- Mick Taylor - Patch Representative 4
- Roy Jones - Patch Representative 13
- Stan Lyons - Patch Representative 16
- Alan Venables - Patch Representative 17
- Margaret Rowley - Patch Representative 20
- Doug Gill - Patch Representative 21
- Bill Smith - Local Trader Stakeholder
- Ian Robertson - WMBC
- Rob Hughes - WHG Stakeholder

Officers

- Steve Pooni - Housing & Environment Theme Manager
- Mike Brice - Neighbourhood Manager
- Jo Toft - Community Worker
- Diane Jones - Theme Administrator

Partners

- Arthur Foster - WHG
- Simon Tranter - WMBC
- Bob Osborne - WMBC

1. **Apologies**
 Ray Walters
 Charlie Robertson
 Cliff Webb

Agenda item		Action
1.	Introductions RJ welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending. Introductions were made round the table.	

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<p>2.</p>	<p>Living Streets SP gave a brief introduction about the background to the Living Streets Masterplan. 6 sites have been identified in the footprint for environmental and public realm improvements. The masterplan looks at a number of key issues such as traffic calming, parking, highway and pavement resurfacing, also general landscape improvements and making better use of vacant or underused land, sport and recreation facilities. The masterplan is key to linking up all the new buildings and improvements in the area and making it a better-improved environment for the residents and potential residents in the area.</p> <p>ST & BO brought 6 map plans for each of the areas and explained that each area was prioritised in order based around key national criteria and scored against this criteria. Discussion took place around all the areas one by one. .</p> <p>After looking at the plans and discussion it was agreed that patch representatives, council workers and WHG officers would walk the patches that are included in the 6 identified sites and would look at various problems and what solutions could be achieved. These would then be brought back to the theme for discussion.</p> <p>It was proposed to move forward and further develop the Masterplan through the Housing & Environment Theme Group.</p> <p>Proposed: Doug Gill, seconded: Bill Smith</p> <p>ST informed the group that they would be speaking to other potential partners to secure funding for the master plan such as WHG, Council, Centro, developers, utilities, landfill tax credits etc. .</p> <p>MB advised the group that once these 6 sites have been completed then the rest of the footprint would be included, moving outwards to include all areas.</p>	
<p>3.</p>	<p>Next Meeting To be advised.</p>	

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