

MAUNDS HATCH PROJECT

Tuesday 20th January 2004

Berecroft Community Association

PRESENT

Fiona Gardiner
Penny Loathes
Su Lawton
Peter Woolford
Ellena Mould
Pat Alderton
Joe McGill
Zulqar Cheema
Pamela Wrenn
Michael Faccini
J. Phillips
Shirley Freeman

ASSOCIATION

Anglia Housing Association
Berecroft Residents
Ward Councillor
GPCA
Regeneration Team
Berecroft Residents
Harlow DC –Assets & Facilities
Berecroft Residents
Harlow DC – Community Development Team
Ward Councillor
Joyners Field Neighbourhood Watch
CABRA Residents Association

APOLOGIES

Janet Hammond
Alan Whittingham
Lorna Spenceley
Tom Redpath

1. Apologies

Janet Hammond, Alan Whittingham, Lorna Spenceley, Tom Redpath.

2. Minutes of 11th December 2004

The minutes were agreed as a correct record.

3. Matters Arising:

Joe confirmed that:

The Local Plan was now on Harlow Councils web site and Maunds Hatch Community Project is in the plan.

Housing had confirmed they had no objections, and were not seeking any benefit from the project.

He went on to say that the criteria to fully dispose of the land is being looked at by housing services, he also explained how the capital monies are distributed. It is hoped that the Maunds Hatch Community Project will receive the full capital receipt for the disposal of the Scout hut land.

4. Consultation results and Video

- 3,200 questionnaires were sent out and 171 returned, of these 156 wanted to see more facilities at the existing Community Centre. A summary of results is attached to these minutes.
- Further consultation was agreed through the local schools and a planning for real day. **Action: Pamela, Pat, Penny, Shirley and Fiona**

- Berecroft Residents Association showed the video produced as part of the consultation, the group congratulated them on the excellent job done in producing this piece of film.

Joe requested they seek written permission from all the parents whose children participated in the video, and then proposed that it is shown in the local Library and Great Parndon Contact Point as part of the consultation.

Pamela agreed to identify estates that had not responded to the questionnaire and research why. **Action: Pamela**

5. Funding

Ellena, explained that a new investing in communities funding may be a possibility for our project, this is revenue funding over a periods of 10 years. She went on to say that the regeneration unit will give a presentation on behalf of Harlow Council in the next month and we should hear within two to three months if we have been successful.

Other possibilities for funding could come from:

- **Lottery Funding**, however Skills and employment would have to be included in any bid we made.
- **Living Spaces**, this can only be used for open public spaces within two miles of a residential area that is not a formal sports pitch.

Pamela gave the Berecroft residents association information on community funding.

6. Draft Report to Policy and Resources Committee

Joe briefed the group on the next steps in moving the project forward these were:

- Members to agree to the disposal of the land adjacent to Maunds Hatch for housing development to the highest bidder by way of tender.
- Members to agree the use of the capital receipt as a means of attracting additional funding from the private sector.

Joe requested the community present the report to the Policy and Resources Committee, and be mindful that there is a risk that members would not allow the capital receipt to be passed over.

Cllr Su Lawton asked that we make sure 317 Berecroft is involved in this presentation, and other resident associations needs be reflected.

Joe informed the group that the next stage of work would be to create a business plan that reflected they whole community. This needed to come from the community, but that officers on the group would help. Joe asked Fiona

and Peter what they could bring to the centre. **Action: Fiona and Peter to brief next meeting.**

7. Way forward

The group to read the draft report and feedback to Pamela within one week, comments to be added to the minutes.

Pamela to organise a meeting to discuss business plan.

8. Any other business

Cllr Su Lawton requested contact details of group be circulated as soon as possible.

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS

- 1 Further consultation Pamela, Penny, Pat, Shirley and Fiona**
- 2 Seek written permission from parents, Pat, Penny**
- 3 Blackwater and GPCA's contribution to centre, Peter and Fiona**
- 4 Comments on draft report, all steering group members**
- 5 Business plan meeting, contact details, Pamela**

Date of next meeting: to be advised this will be after the report has gone to Policy and Resources Committee.