



**Partnership Meeting
Notes**

17/8/22

Springfield Park Portacabin

7:00pm – 8:30pm

1. **Present:** Brenda, Joanne, Jayne, Robert, Anna, Adrian, Dawn, Margaret, Lindsey, Vander, Meg and Dot.

Apologies: Stacey, Mattie and Sarah.

2. **Notes From The Last Meeting:** Read and approved, no issues arising.
3. **Conflicts Of Interest:** None.
4. **LTO – St George’s Finance Update** Robert ran through the documents supplied to the partnership prior to the meeting; spend reports covering up to 31st March, 30th June and 15th August. A £27k cheque was sent to Local Trust and received, but has since been lost, the same has happened to another cheque. Our next tranche of money has been received and we have £201,600 to go.
5. **CIO Update**
The Charity Commission had pointed out issues with how we had expressed our Objects in our application to register the HBG Plus Charity, so we needed to update this and reapply. Jayne and Brenda are meeting with Margaret tomorrow over Zoom to get some guidance with this. This would be part of the 10 days free support on offer to Big Local's.

There has been no further notification regarding the Springfield Park building's future use. Lindsey confirmed that interest could be registered online and she would email the link to Joanne.

6. **Climate Change Update**
Anna ran through the key points which arose from our earlier Team's video call with Tess Rushton and Harriet Sansom from the Centre for Sustainable Energy (CSE). The CSE are one of Local Trust's partner organisations and have been working with other Big Local's (amongst many other businesses and organisations) as part of the 10 days of free, specialist support offer.

The purpose of the call was to run through our thoughts on climate action and how the CSE could potentially support that. Brenda, Jayne and Margaret were present and Anna attended to take notes.

There was discussion around various potential ideas and also related initiatives we have organised in the past. The idea of a potential 'Climate Forum' or 'Climate Chat' was considered.

Tess and Harriet will produce an initial contract/plan based on the discussion and information gained. We should hopefully receive this within the next week. We need to be thinking about where exactly we would like to focus and use the time offered by the CSE.

As we have £40K available within our 'Climate Change' key priority area Margaret confirmed that Local Trust would have some degree of flexibility with when it is spent e.g. split across the three years, all in one go etc.

7. Leaflet Ideas

Brenda initiated discussion to generate some content ideas for a 'Big Local DY10' leaflet aimed at local residents, which was initially mentioned at the previous partnership meeting. The following ideas were shared;

- Who are Big Local DY10? Introduction article. Sharing our aims and objectives. A costed vision.
- Snippets, events (football activities, swap shop, walking car boots etc), what's on?
- Local community groups and their activities. Setting up a community group?
- Updates from Lindsey.
- Grants process and promotion; Where? When?
- Directory of useful contact numbers and recommended local businesses.
- Climate Change (useful information, ideas, recycling symbols etc)
- Written in a 'chit-chatty' and 'friendly' style.

8. Key Priorities Discussion

Discussion was centered around the Health and Wellbeing priority, with the main focus being on the plight of pensioners over the forthcoming Winter months.

Could we look at organising a warm location for people to meet – St George's Club and Dawn's shop were two locations mentioned. Another suggestion for Dawn's shop (and spaces in different areas) was to provide a local collection point for an 'Olio' type initiative. Brenda to discuss further with Dawn.

A 'Winter Warm Pack' was suggested; hot water bottles, blankets etc. Signposting people to places or agencies who could help/provide support. Could this tie in with our CSE input?

The group were in favour of developing the ideas discussed further.

9. Big Local Connects – Nottingham

Meg and Joanne confirmed that they may both be interested in attending this event. Margaret confirmed that there are three free places available and expenses related to travel, accommodation and food are covered. You can also just attend for one day, rather than the whole event. Attendance can be registered online.

10. Any Other Business

- Anna shared the positive feedback around the football sessions arranged with Harriers in the Community, since the previous meeting. The sessions have been taking place weekly in St George's and Springfield parks, with attendance increasing

steadily. Anna arranged for promotional banners which have been displayed in both parks, and certificates (to tie in with the banners) have been produced to give to each child who has attended across the four weeks.

- Margaret informed those present that Beth Lazenby (plus two colleagues) from Local Trust would like to visit Big Local DY10 in the near future. Margaret will contact Beth to confirm that this visit could possibly tie in with our potential 'Climate Chat', which at this stage is an initial idea.
- Lindsey confirmed that the Rose Theatre coffee mornings would be back up and running once a paid member of staff had started.
- Sladen View Flat. Brenda shared news from Community Housing that Derwent block may be knocked down, after a refurbishment plan discovered issues with the building which many make this untenable. The resident families have been made aware that they will be rehoused, possibly within the next month. We are currently on 6 month leases with the Sladen View flat facility.

Next Meeting

Wednesday 21st September, 7.00 pm at Springfield Park Portacabin.

Future Meeting Dates (all Wednesday's, 7.00pm at Springfield Park Portacabin)

19th October

16th November

21st December – tbc