

**Action Notes of the meeting of the Belle Vale, Hayley Green
and Cradley South Community Forum**

Tuesday, 9th September, 2014 at 6.30 p.m.
at Caslon Primary School, Beeches View Avenue, Halesowen

PRESENT:-

Councillor D Russell (Chair),
Councillor A Goddard (Vice Chair),
Councillors I Cooper, R James, H Turner and K Turner

OFFICERS:-

A Webb (Lead Officer to the Forum) - Head of Sport and Physical Activity and R
Sanders (Assistant Principal Officer - Democratic Services)

together with 4 members of the public

- 8 The Chair welcomed everyone present to the meeting.

9 **Listening To You**

Questions and comments from local residents were made and responded to
as follows :

Subject

Action

Privet hedge at 1A High Park Road

Privet hedge encroaching on
adjacent public footpath

Referred to the Directorate of the
Urban Environment for attention.

**Footpath from Foxlea to Moorfoot
Avenue**

Condition of footpath surface and
safety to public from overgrowing
weeds and overhanging tree
branches.

Referred to the Directorate of the
Urban Environment for attention.

10 **Working for You**

No issues were raised under this item.

Love Your Community – Love Your Local Community Funding
ApplicationRecommendation

St Margaret's Church, Hasbury

Consideration of this application deferred pending receipt of the further information previously requested. Lead Officer to contact applicants to clarify if the application is still to be progressed or whether funding has been secured from other sources.

COCOA – Welcome to Dudley Project

Consideration of this application deferred pending receipt of the further information previously requested. Lead Officer to contact applicants to clarify if the application is still to be progressed or whether funding has been secured from other sources.

Life Centre Debt Advice

Consideration of this application deferred pending receipt of the further information previously requested. Lead Officer to contact applications to clarify if the application is still to be progressed or whether funding has been secured from other sources.

Halesowen Abbey Trust – Purchase of Leasowes Walled Garden

Consideration of this application deferred until the next meeting pending information to be supplied regarding the ownership of this land and its sale to Birmingham Metropolitan College. Noted that a grant had been made by the Halesowen North and South Community Forum.

Black Country Wheels

Refused

Dudley Council for Voluntary Service

Consideration of this application

deferred for greater exactitude to be obtained on the proposed use of the grant requested and for information to be obtained on which Community Forums have recommended a financial contribution and which have not.

12 **High Street Innovation Fund Empty Shops Grant/ Community Forum funding publicity**

The availability of funding from the residue of these grant monies was reported by the Lead Officer. The exact amount was not yet known pending a Decision Sheet. It was considered that the Forum should allocate to businesses since the grant was designed for that purpose and the Lead Officer agreed to contact MARCOMS to discuss how contact with representatives of local businesses could best be achieved. On the issue of publicity for Community Funding grants, making known the availability of funding through school newsletters was suggested and the Lead Officer agreed to pursue this.

13 **Face the People**

The Lead Officer reported on a public meeting to be held at Netherton Arts Centre on 16th September, 2014 at which members of the public would have the chance to talk directly to the people who deal with crime and disorder policies in the Dudley Borough.

14 **Dates, Time and Venues of Future Meetings**

Wednesday, 12th November, 2014 – Lutley Community Centre
Tuesday, 3rd February, 2015 – Windsor High School
Wednesday, 25th March, 2015 – venue to be confirmed

The meeting ended at 7.20 p.m.