

Minutes of the Hebden Bridge Partnership  
Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2012, 7pm  
The Terrace Room, The Town Hall, Hebden Bridge

**Present**

Robin Dixon (Chair), Amy Leader (Secretary), Lesley Mackay (Sustainable Transport Group), Stephen Curry (Hebden Bridge Community Association), Cllr Janey Battye (Calderdale Metropolitan Borough Council), Susan Quick (disabled people's representative), Tony McGovern.

**1) Apologies**

Andrew Bibby, Jae Campbell, Sally Naylor, Dongria Kandh, Chris Standish and David Fletcher.

**2) Minutes of last meeting**

The minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record.

**3) Matters arising**

There were no matters arising.

**4) Officer's reports**

a) Calderdale Metropolitan Borough Council (Janet Battye)

- There are initial discussions taking place about moving the weekly market to Lees Yard. Concerns about income generation for the markets department may be resolved by extending the twice monthly Sunday market to a weekly Sunday market.
- There is now a steering group within CMBC to lead on work following the floods. Marie Fallon is now in place, who worked in Cockermouth following their floods. There is work taking place with partner agencies to write a proposal for the regional flood committee regarding flood prevention work in the Calder Valley.
- £5,000 has been put to one side by Calderdale council to support the business economy in Hebden Bridge in the form of a grant. Amy Leader is applying for this money on behalf of the Hebden Bridge Community Association.
- The team from Totally Locally have put together a Calder Valley wide event called the Valley of Lights to tie the Christmas lights switch on through Todmorden, Hebden Bridge and Mytholmroyd. This is a major piece of work which is being developed at a fast pace.
- The Environment Agency is holding an event in Todmorden, Hebden Bridge and Mytholmroyd to speak to people about what happened in the run up to, during and after the floods. The Hebden Bridge event will take place at The Town Hall on October 20<sup>th</sup>. A Flood Forum will also take place at The Town Hall in the future.

**5) Update on the Brown site**

The planning permission for the hotel and supermarket development on the Brown site was validated by Calderdale council last week. The residents of Mytholm have arranged a public meeting regarding the Brown site on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October at 12 noon at Stubbing Wharf. There was a discussion about the timeliness of this meeting, the different strategies that need to be undertaken depending on the outcome of the public meeting and the timing of a follow up public meeting organised by Janet Battye with the developers and site owners.

**ACTION: SUSAN QUICK TO SEND THE NOTICE OF THE MEETING TO AMY. AMY TO SEND THE NOTICE TO PARTNERSHIP MEMBERS.**

**6) Disabled harassment**

Susan brought a discussion thread on HebWeb to the Partnership's attention by a local disabled woman who had witnessed harassment at Hebden Bridge train station and was receiving

harassment herself. Janet Battye raised a number of methods that this individual could receive help and pointed out that this issue would be better placed at the next PACT meeting. Stephen Curry mentioned this issue had been raised at the Ward Forum last week. A general discussion about disability issues took place.

**ACTION: KATE, WHO COMPLETED A DISABILITY ACCESS ASSESSMENT OF HEBDEN BRIDGE SHOULD BE INVITED TO THE NEXT PARTNERSHIP MEETING TO DISCUSS HER FINDINGS.**

**7) Any Other Business**

- Both Robin Dixon as the chair and Amy Leader as the Secretary will be standing down at the AGM.

The AGM will take place on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October in the Waterfront Hall, The Town Hall, Hebden Bridge at 7pm.

The next Partnership meeting will take place on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm in The Terrace Room, The Town Hall, Hebden Bridge.