



# meeting notes

<b>Title:</b>	Ilkeston and North Community Forum
<b>Date:</b>	Tuesday 8 July 2014
<b>Venue:</b>	Gladstone Lodge, Market Street, Ilkeston
<b>Apologies:</b>	Councillor Abey Stevenson; Councillor Hart; Paul Jameson and Derbyshire County Council

No.	Subject	Action / Lead Officer
1	<b>Welcome from the Chair</b> (Lesley Flint) Lesley Flint (LF) welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
2	<b>Matters arising from the previous meeting</b>	
2.1	LF passed to Ian Marsden (IM), Community Engagement Officer, Erewash Borough Council to give the update on actions outstanding from the previous meeting.	
2.2	<p>IM explained that he had not received an update from the previous meeting's Chair regarding the clearance of the public footpath adjacent to the Bulls Head public house at Little Hallam Hill. IM explained that he would contact the Chair to seek an update. The Chair had stated that he would write to Councillor Michelle Booth to see what options are available.</p> <p><i>Action: IM e-mailed Patrick Pritchett on 09/07/14 to see what progress had been made.</i></p> <p><i>Patrick Pritchett responded on 09/07/14:</i> I had a meeting with both Councillor Michelle Booth and Councillor Frudd at the site some time ago after the last Forum, Councillor Booth was looking into different funding options for lights, etc. The outcome of this is described in an e-mail from Councillor Booth to me, as follows:</p> <p><i>"During a site meeting the jitty at Bulls Head was examined by staff who manage the probation team work. It was deemed an easy task that the PayBack Team can tidy up the route (whilst doing a larger job nearby at the Beauty Spot) but care will have to be taken to make sure that there is no cutting of shrubbery belonging to a private dwelling and, despite my best efforts, the fencing cannot be given a white wash to brighten up the pedestrian access, again because the fences belong to private owners.</i></p> <p><i>The site does not fit the criteria for black spot lighting since this specific</i></p>	

	<p><i>fund is for a site attracting real nuisance and anti-social behaviour, not the perception of crime; the police confirm that this jitty site does not attract crime statistics, so this was a non-starter (I have rigorously checked all this detail). The criteria for black spot lighting has always been such and has not changed recently; it is simply a fund that does have to warrant being spent against all the other 'black spots' across the county which are competing for the same money.</i></p> <p><i>I hope that this has clarified the matter and I do hope that some cut back and tidy up will make a small difference."</i></p>	
2.3	<p>IM asked Sergeant John Troup (JT) to provide an update regarding the level of vandalism of car park ticket machines at Shipley Country Park.</p> <p>JT explained that the remote location of the ticket machines makes them an obvious target for vandals. He has contacted Sergeant Stevenson of Amber Valley and there have been no further issues reported.</p>	
3	<p><b>Neighbourhood Dog Warden Service</b></p>	
3.1	<p>LF introduced Ian Marsden (IM), Community Engagement Officer, Erewash Borough Council to give an overview of the recent Neighbourhood Dog Warden Service awareness and satisfaction study conducted by Erewash Borough Council.</p>	
3.2	<p>The consultation took place in March 2014 via both electronic and paper based surveys. 1,149 responses were received.</p>	
3.3	<p>The study covered residents' awareness of and satisfaction with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The clearance of dog fouling;</li> <li>• The dog fouling text messaging service;</li> <li>• The exclusion of dogs from certain areas;</li> <li>• Pride-Line;</li> <li>• The Dog Registration Scheme;</li> <li>• Dog micro-chipping.</li> </ul>	
3.4	<p>A breakdown of the respondents' protected characteristics demonstrated that a representative sample of responses had been achieved.</p>	
3.5	<p>82% of respondents were previously aware of the rules relating to dog owners clearing up after their dogs.</p>	
3.6	<p>58% of respondents believed dog fouling to be "a big problem" within their community in the March 2014 study, compared to 48% when the question was asked in September 2011. The time of year that the question was asked may also be a factor in the difference in figures, i.e. there is more of a perceived problem during the darker winter mornings and evenings.</p>	
3.7	<p>28% of respondents were satisfied with the work completed by Erewash Borough Council's Neighbourhood Dog Warden Service in tackling the issue of dog fouling within the community.</p>	
3.8	<p>Dog fouling hot sports were identified as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Roads adjacent to primary schools;</li> <li>• Erewash Canal;</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• West Park and its access points;</li> <li>• Bath Street, Ilkeston.</li> </ul>	
3.9	There was a low level of awareness (9%) of the dog fouling text messaging service.	
3.10	There was a low level of awareness (8%) that the Pride-line service existed.	
3.11	47% of respondents were previously aware of the rules relating to dog exclusion areas.	
3.12	Just 20% were previously aware of the Dog Registration Scheme.	
3.13	Just 16% were previously aware that Erewash Borough Council offered a free dog micro chipping service.	
3.14	<p>In terms of comments regarding the Neighbourhood Dog Warden team it was noted that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There was a low level of awareness of the team;</li> <li>• Wardens were not visible;</li> <li>• More wardens were required – it was acknowledged as a difficult job for the existing team;</li> <li>• Some suggested introducing a dog licence system to provide the revenue for more resources for the team.</li> </ul>	
3.15	<p>Many comments were recorded regarding the issue of dog fouling. The main themes included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• That the dog fouling issue is caused by a minority of dog owners;</li> <li>• The disposal of dog poo bags – in vegetation not bins;</li> <li>• The amount of / emptying of bins;</li> <li>• The issue being greater in the darker mornings and evenings;</li> <li>• A desire for greater signage in ‘hot spot’ areas, telling people how to report;</li> <li>• The pavement stencils highlighting the issue received a mixed response;</li> <li>• Free dog bags were suggested as being good to reintroduce;</li> <li>• Name and shame those found guilty of letting their dog foul;</li> <li>• Fouling by horses and cats was also highlighted as an issue.</li> </ul>	
3.16	<p>Other comment themes included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dogs not being on leads, especially when their owners were jogging. In some instances it is alleged that owners let their dogs off the lead whilst they sit in their car.</li> <li>• Some respondents were uncomfortable with Erewash Borough Council funding the Dog Registration Scheme and / or the dog micro chipping scheme, saying that such expense should be borne by people choosing to own a dog.</li> </ul>	
3.17	IM then passed to Scott Cartledge (SC), Neighbourhood Warden Manager, Erewash Borough Council to explain the actions taking place following the completion of the consultation.	
3.18	SC explained that a campaign has recently been completed in Cotmanhay	

	<p>which resulted in eight Fixed Penalty Notices for dog fouling being issued. This served to illustrate that Fixed Penalty Notices for dog fouling can be issued effectively when there are the resources in place to do so. SC made the point that the Erewash borough covers 42 square miles and so to be in the right place at the right time to witness such an event is difficult. SC stated that a three week campaign will consist of a first week of high visibility patrols followed by a fortnight of covert visits. SC highlighted that a similar concentrated campaign had commenced on 23 June, and similar ones were planned for the start of August and mid-September.</p>	
3.19	<p>SC stated that Erewash Borough Council is working in partnership with the PDSA for 'poop scoop week'. The week promotes responsible dog ownership and welfare. The PDSA will spend three weeks in 'NG10' and 'DE7' giving school talks, attending community events, etc. PDSA offer free vet checks on a booking basis. Wardens will be on site to offer micro-chipping and responsible dog ownership advice. There are free microchips available from The Dogs' Trust at present so if anyone was interested in taking advantage of this then they could contact Scott on 0115 9072244 to arrange this.</p>	
3.20	<p>In terms of raising the awareness of the team's work with the public it is often claimed that "wardens are not visible". This is because they also undertake covert work and often work unsociable hours when people might be in their home. A suggestion was made to improve the information provided publicly and the team will look to install Correx boards in hotspot areas, with contact details. There will be an increase in the number of articles in local media / <i>EBC today</i>. Please see page 16 of the 'Summer 2014' edition of <i>EBC today</i> for this information. Respondents stated a desire for "greater signage". The stencils are temporary (6 months maximum). We need different sign designs to grab people's attention to the issue.</p>	
3.21	<p>Regarding the re-introduction of dog licenses, they were abolished in 1987. At the time they cost 37p. The majority of dog owners did not get a dog licence. The Dogs' Trust sees them as a "tax" on dog owners. The Dogs' Trust considers that they do not bring a more responsible attitude to dog ownership.</p>	
3.22	<p>In terms of other issues raised via the consultation, regarding dog waste bins, it is a wardens' job to assess the need. Please report new possible locations to us.</p>	
3.23	<p>Respondents suggested "naming and shaming" those found guilty of not clearing their dog's fouling. Erewash Borough Council can only identify people if they do not pay their Fixed Penalty Notice and are subsequently fined. Those who do pay correctly on time cannot be named in this manner.</p>	
3.24	<p>Regarding the issue of horses and cats fouling the public highway and private property ENCAMS state that they "do not at present cause a similar nuisance, nor do they constitute an offence ... would like to see individuals in charge of animals take all steps that are reasonable and practical to deal with fouling by their animal where it does occur".</p>	
3.25	<p>Some wished to see more dogs on leads. The Dog Control Order only insists for this in cemeteries, as per wishes of previous public consultation.</p>	

3.26	<p>SC finished by stating that cards containing the text messaging service and Pride-Line contact information were available to take away on the information table, as were A5 size signs instructing people to clear away dog fouling.</p>	
3.27	<p><i>Resident #1:</i>  If the county council were to start switching street lights off in certain locations this may have a negative impact on the amount of dog fouling that does not get cleared up. I would like to see dogs on leads in all areas, with them only being allowed off the lead in designated areas. The issue of used dog poo bags being thrown into vegetation was an issue near to Nelson Street but since the installation of more waste bins the issue has all but disappeared. Regarding joggers exercising with their dogs off the lead there is a new sport called canicross which allows dog owners to jog with their dog still attached to them on a more flexible lead. Perhaps there should be designated dog parks where dog owners can take their children along with their dogs.</p> <p><i>Ian Marsden, Community Engagement Officer:</i>  When we completed the Dog Control Orders consultation in 2011 residents made it clear to us that they would prefer dogs to be allowed off the lead along the canal towpath. We had also originally suggested that dogs should be banned from cemeteries, due to issues with fouling in these locations. However, residents said that a dog is a valued family member and will be taken along with the family when visiting the grave of a lost loved one. It was therefore decided to allow dogs in cemeteries but for them to be on a lead at all times.</p> <p><i>Scott Cartledge, Neighbourhood Warden Manager:</i>  Regarding designated dog parks, if we received significant feedback from members of the public suggesting to us that we should provide such areas then we would look to complete a more formal consultation to investigate the idea.</p> <p><i>Lorraine Poyser, Director of Community Services, Erewash Borough Council:</i>  We need to educate the public more effectively than we do at present. Through marketing campaigns we will raise awareness of the rules surrounding dog fouling. If the council are to change local byelaws in any way we have to demonstrate the need to the Secretary of State.</p>	
3.28	<p><i>Resident #2:</i>  How many dog wardens are there and what hours do they work?</p> <p><i>Scott Cartledge, Neighbourhood Warden Manager:</i>  We have a total of 10 Neighbourhood Wardens and Dog Wardens. Though it is not a 24 hour service but they do work on weekends.</p>	
3.29	<p><i>Resident #3:</i>  Are the PDSA pet checks only free of charge to people claiming benefits?</p> <p><i>Scott Cartledge, Neighbourhood Warden Manager:</i>  No, anyone can claim a free check for their animal.</p>	

3.30	<p><i>Resident #3:</i> I think Erewash Borough Council need to focus on the health issues linked to dog fouling. I worked as a nurse and we used to see cases of children with eye infections caught from coming into contact with dog fouling.</p> <p><i>Lorraine Poyser, Director of Community Services, Erewash Borough Council:</i> Our priority has to be to get strong messages across to our community. I don't like using scaremongering tactics such as the health issues associated with the canine parasite but if such an approach delivers our message then we have to consider it.</p>	
3.31	<p><i>Resident #4:</i> Do the wardens issue on the spot fines for dog fouling?</p> <p><i>Scott Cartledge, Neighbourhood Warden Manager:</i> Yes, if the warden witnesses dog fouling not being cleared then the owner will be issued with an £80 Fixed Penalty Notice. If they fail to pay this they will be taken to court.</p> <p><i>Resident #4:</i> I have seen wardens giving verbal warnings and not fines at Kirk Hallam Lake.</p> <p><i>Scott Cartledge, Neighbourhood Warden Manager:</i> Please speak to me after the meeting and I'll take more details from you. We operate a zero tolerance policy.</p>	
3.32	<p><i>Scott Cartledge, Neighbourhood Warden Manager:</i> Erewash Borough Council is revamping our dog fouling diaries. These can be issued to residents to keep a record of the incidents of dog fouling that they witness in their area. They can send this information in to us anonymously if this suits them, which will allow me to target patrols more effectively.</p>	
4	<p><b>Questions for officers</b></p>	
4.1	<p><u>Litter</u></p> <p><i>Resident:</i> Litter, beer cans and cigarette butts are more of a problem to the tidiness of our streets than dog poo. How is Erewash Borough Council going to tackle the issue of litter in general, at all times and not just in the build up to an election?</p> <p><i>Scott Cartledge, Neighbourhood Warden Manager:</i> Litter enforcement is also covered by the council's Neighbourhood Wardens Team. Like dog fouling, Fixed Penalty Notices can be issued on the spot by a warden if they witness someone littering. We also undertake covert operations to identify people littering.</p> <p><i>Resident:</i> Linear Walk in Cotmanhay has a particular problem with litter.</p> <p><i>Scott Cartledge, Neighbourhood Warden Manager:</i></p>	

	<p>Derbyshire County Council is responsible for this pathway. I will report this issue to them.</p> <p><i>Action: Scott Cartledge e-mailed Derbyshire County Council with this information on 09/07/14, for the attention of Shipley Rangers who maintain this area.</i></p>	<p><b>Scott Cartledge to contact DCC</b></p>
<p>4.2</p>	<p><u>Mopeds</u></p> <p><i>Resident:</i> Mopeds have started to run free around our residential area again, with many of the drivers not wearing helmets. I believe they travel over fields near to Ilkeston FC's ground. The noise of the mopeds is very loud considering the distance from my home; I dread to think how bad it is for residents living nearer to where they are. This happens mainly on Saturdays and Sundays.</p> <p>Do police chase the mopeds and what happens if the moped crosses the border between Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire? How do the two police forces communicate with each other when trying to deal with this problem?</p> <p><i>Sergeant John Troup, Derbyshire Constabulary:</i> The level of noise coming from a motorbike / moped is hard to judge. If we felt that the motorbike / moped were defective in some way then we could issue a vehicle defect notice to the owner.</p> <p>Regarding pursuing motorbikes / mopeds, there is no policy that states that we cannot pursue them where appropriate. Our options for pursuing a motorbike / moped are more limited than with a car, though. For example, we cannot use the 'stinger' tyre deflation technique as this would be dangerous for the rider. In each instance we have to assess the risk involved against the reasons why we wish to pursue the rider and then act accordingly. We also have to consider factors such as the time of day, the level of traffic, the weather conditions, etc when deciding whether to undertake a pursuit.</p> <p>In terms of Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire Constabularies communications with each other, our police radios have the ability to link to a radio channel where we can communicate with each other.</p>	
<p>4.3</p>	<p><u>The police keeping people informed</u></p> <p>When a resident has made a call to the police and has requested feedback on their enquiry, why does this not sometimes happen? Is this due to the caller being considered a repeat caller and therefore 'just a moaner', or is it due to the police not having the resources available to make such call backs?</p> <p><i>Sergeant John Troup, Derbyshire Constabulary:</i> Without knowing the specific nature of the call(s) that you refer to it is hard for me to comment. If the person posing the question would like to pass me specific details of this incident I will look into it.</p>	
<p>4.4</p>	<p><u>The chairing of Forum meetings</u></p> <p>Can I ask Erewash Borough Council to consider that all future Forum</p>	

	<p>meetings are chaired by a person not associated with any particular party? This would keep the Forums totally neutral in both the questions allowed and the time to deliver responses.</p> <p><i>Ian Marsden, Community Engagement Officer:</i> During our last review of our Community Forum meetings residents made it very clear that they wished for the Forums to be chaired by residents. To facilitate this we invited interested residents to receive complimentary training on chairing meetings successfully. From this we identified a number of residents who were interested in chairing our own Forum meetings.</p> <p>It is the case that some of our resident Chair volunteers have links to political parties. However, I believe that they control the meetings in an independent, impartial manner. If anyone feels that this is not the case then I would actively encourage them to approach me to discuss their concerns.</p> <p><i>Resident #2:</i> I think an issue in the past has been councillors dominating the discussions at Forums.</p> <p><i>Ian Marsden, Community Engagement Officer:</i> This issue has been raised with me in the past and indeed comments have been made during the Forum meetings. Following the last complaints in the summer of 2013 the issue was discussed with senior officers at Erewash Borough Council and the two respective party leaders were reminded of the expected conduct from their councillors at the Forum meetings. Since this time the issue has significantly reduced.</p>	
4.5	<p><u>Kirk Hallam skate park</u></p> <p>Ten years ago the residents of Kirk Hallam were promised a new skate park to replace the one removed from Wyndale Drive. £100,000 was promised towards the delivery of this. Where has this money gone? When are we going to get our skate park?</p> <p><i>Ian Marsden, Community Engagement Officer:</i> I will put your questions to Dave Bramwell, Head of Green Space and Street Scene, Erewash Borough Council.</p> <p><i>Action: Ian Marsden e-mailed Dave Bramwell on 09/07/14. Dave Bramwell responded and advised that the matter of funding a skate park was to be discussed at the Full Council meeting scheduled for 17/07/14.</i></p> <p><i>At the Full Council meeting on 17/07/14 Councillor Mike Wallis moved a motion for the council to match fund £30,000 towards the £100,000 cost of the facility (£13,650 has already been allocated). Final approval for this total will be sought at the Council Executive meeting scheduled for 31/07/14.</i></p>	<p><b>Ian Marsden to contact Dave Bramwell</b></p>
4.6	<p><u>The future of the old Bennerley School building</u></p> <p>What is happening with the Bennerley School site?</p>	



	<p><i>Councillor Birkin:</i> I understand that the right hand side building that includes the studio will be retained for community use. I'm not sure about the other buildings.</p> <p><i>Ian Marsden, Community Engagement Officer:</i> I will contact Paul Jameson, Local Area Forum Liaison Officer at Derbyshire County Council to seek a response.</p> <p><i>Action: Ian Marsden e-mailed Paul Jameson on 09/07/14.</i></p> <p><i>Paul Jameson, Local Area Forum Liaison Officer, Derbyshire County Council response on 08/08/14:</i> The proposal that Derbyshire County Council are currently looking at is to retain Block A (where the current reception is) and refurbish it for our own use. There may be some opportunity following refurbishment for community use at evenings and weekends but we can't confirm this as yet.</p> <p>The media centre will be retained and the intention is to allow the continued use by the community radio station, Erewash Sound. Lease terms will need to be negotiated with them. There is currently a large meeting room in this block, as well as the radio studio, and we are looking at what uses this room could be used for.</p> <p>The remaining blocks will be demolished and we will be looking to advertise the sites of the demolished blocks for residential redevelopment.</p> <p>In terms of the playing fields we hope to lease them to a community group, for use as community playing fields, if we can get the necessary planning approval and Secretary of State approval.</p>	<p><b>Ian Marsden to contact Paul Jameson, DCC</b></p>
4.7	<p><u>Traffic issues in Duke Street, Cotmanhay</u></p> <p>In my role as Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator I have visited many residents this last weekend and a theme of issues came to light:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Speeding cars on Duke Street.</li> <li>• Cars parked at the corner of Cotmanhay Road / Duke Street causing safety issues. Could double yellow lines be installed here?</li> <li>• Lorries being driven along Duke Street and the unadopted road section, probably due to being directed there by Sat Navs. Could signs be put up to warn lorry drivers that the road is inaccessible to them?</li> </ul> <p>How are these issues going to be tackled?</p> <p><i>Sergeant John Troup, Derbyshire Constabulary:</i> We will go and speak to the residents of the street to assess their concerns. We have not received any similar reports ourselves.</p> <p><i>Lorraine Poyser, Director of Community Services, Erewash Borough Council:</i> Sat Navs were causing a similar issue in the village of Alton in Staffordshire (near to Alton Towers). A simple sign was erected warning drivers not to trust the 'shortest route' function on their sat navs and the number of drivers attempting to navigate an inaccessible road significantly reduced.</p>	

*Sergeant John Troup, Derbyshire Constabulary:*

Regarding the parked cars at the corner of Cotmanhay Road / Duke Street, they can act as a speeding deterrent as other cars have to slow down to drive around them. We also have to be aware of the fact residents need to be able to park their cars as well as businesses in that area that require parking for their customers. The issue of speeding on Duke Street has not previously been raised.

*Resident:*

There is plenty of space to park cars further down Duke Street.

*Ian Marsden, Community Engagement Officer:*

I will contact Paul Jameson, Local Area Forum Liaison Officer at Derbyshire County Council to seek a response regarding the feasibility of installing double yellow lines at the corner of Cotmanhay Road / Duke Street, together with signage warning lorry drivers following sat navs that the road is inaccessible.

*Action: Ian Marsden e-mailed Paul Jameson on 09/07/14.*

*Paul Jameson, Local Area Forum Liaison Officer, Derbyshire County Council response on 08/08/14:*

The introduction of double yellow lines requires a Traffic Regulation Order; a lengthy and costly legal process. To ensure that the available funds are targeted to those areas most in need, strict criteria are applied to any requests. Double yellow lines will normally only be considered in the following circumstances:

1. Where a road safety problem has been identified by accident studies and it is clear that an actual reduction in accidents would follow from the introduction of a Traffic Regulation Order.
2. Where obstruction of the highway or of visibility at junctions occurs on a regular, frequent and extremely severe basis, particularly where public transport and emergency vehicles are affected.
3. Where commerce and industry is seriously inconvenienced by the presence of parked vehicles.

A check of the records over the last 3 years reveals that there has been one recorded collision at the junction resulting in personal injury. Parked vehicles were not listed as a factor in this incident. The available data does not therefore suggest that the presence of parked vehicles at the junction is causing a road safety problem and the request for waiting restrictions cannot be supported.

Aside from the road safety aspect, demand for off-street parking places is high in the area and the removal of this, through introducing double yellow lines, would likely result in objections from local residents.

**Ian Marsden  
to contact  
Paul  
Jameson,  
DCC**

<p>4.8</p>	<p><u>Planning time limits</u></p> <p>Is there any time limit that Erewash Borough Council's Planning Department put in place before work is agreed? If, for example, a builder wishes to build two residential properties in a residential area, does the planning department insist on a date when the work must be completed by? If so, are there any penalties if the timescale is not adhered to?</p> <p>Further to this, does the planning department issue any survey forms to local residents to capture their feedback on their experiences during the construction phase and / or after the completion of a development?</p> <p><i>Ian Marsden, Community Engagement Officer:</i> I will contact Steve Birkinshaw, Head of Planning and Regeneration, Erewash Borough Council to seek a response.</p> <p><i>Action: Ian Marsden e-mailed Steve Birkinshaw on 09/07/14.</i></p> <p><i>Response from Steve Birkinshaw, Head of Planning and Regeneration, Erewash Borough Council on 09/07/14:</i> The Planning Act requires all planning decisions to include a condition requiring work to start within three years. However, there is no scope for planning decisions to set a deadline by which works must be completed. Though the Borough Council is responsible for issuing planning decisions on whether or not a landowner should be allowed to construct a building, the manner in which they construct the building is up to them. Consequently there would be no value in surveying the experience of residents from a build, as there is nothing the Borough Council could do with that information to influence future building projects. That is why such survey information is not gathered.</p>	<p><b>Ian Marsden to contact Steve Birkinshaw</b></p>
<p>4.9</p>	<p><u>70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the D-Day landings</u></p> <p>Can you please tell me why there was no intention to celebrate the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the D-Day landings here in Ilkeston on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2014 for both local residents and many of the veterans?</p> <p>As 2014 is the centenary of the outbreak of World War One how much money will Erewash Borough Council be giving towards the upkeep of memorials such as the one in Ilkeston Market Place and the plaques on the side of the town hall?</p> <p><i>Lorraine Poyser, Director of Community Services, Erewash Borough Council:</i> I am responsible for coordinating the council's various activities in relation to commemorating the centenary of the outbreak of World War One. We will have a number of special events throughout the year, but we will coordinate a fuller response for you via the meeting notes.</p> <p><i>Response supplied by Lorraine Poyser, Director of Community Services, Erewash Borough Council:</i></p> <p><i>Question 1: <u>70th anniversary of the D-Day landings</u></i> <i>Can you please tell me why there was no intention to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the D-Day landings here in Ilkeston on 6th June 2014 for both local residents and many of the veterans?</i></p>	<p><b>Lorraine Poyser to coordinate a response</b></p>

### **Lights out event**

We worked alongside the Royal British Legion to give everyone the opportunity to take part in the national moment of reflection by holding a candle-lit vigil to mark the Centenary of the date Great Britain enter the First World War. Events were held at St Mary's Church, Market Place, Ilkeston and at St Lawrence Church, Market Place, Long Eaton on 4 August 2014 from 10.00pm to 11.00pm.

### **St Mary's Church, Ilkeston**

Planting to the rear of the War Memorial adjacent to St Mary's Church. The area has been developed with the support of the Friends of St Mary's Church who also planted the two main trees.

### **Ilkeston Town Centre War Memorial**

Chaucer Junior School participated in the planting of the new summer bedding display around the war memorial on Ilkeston Market Place.

### **Bridge House, Long Eaton**

The carpet bed scheme depicting a poppy and lettering 2014-18. This has been completed with the support of the Long Eaton branch of the Royal British Legion.

### **West Park, Long Eaton** (*project is subject to confirmation with the British Legion*)

The Royal British Legion will be planting a new oak tree on West Park which will be planted by one of the Legion's younger member using a WW1 trenching tool. In front of the tree will be a memorial stone, in the shape of a poppy and appropriate wording to commemorate WW1.

### **Ilkeston Roll of Honour**

Names will appear on the council's website in the next few weeks.

### **Erewash Museum, Ilkeston – 26 July 2014, 11.00am – 3.00pm**

A recruiting station re-enactment was set up in the Lower Garden with two recruiting sergeants including Pioneer Sergeant Tobias Albert Ringwood of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, from the Notts and Derby Regiments. Music Hall sketches were held in the courtyard/Lally Gallery.

The Methodist Church had a marquee on the top garden, as a quiet place for reflection for all faiths and beliefs, and there was a prayer tree for people to leave prayers and an opportunity for people to light a candle in memory.

The British Legion also attended on the day. A memorial service was held by the Methodist church and the British Legion, closing the event.

The New War Gallery was officially opened.

*Question 2. As 2014 is the centenary of the outbreak of World War One how much money will Erewash Borough Council be giving towards the upkeep of memorials such as the one in Ilkeston Market Place and the plaques on the side of the town hall?*

### **Memorial**

Ilkeston Cenotaph - £11,945

	<p>Long Eaton Memorial - £7,085  Ilkeston Town Hall Plaque - £7,250  Long Eaton Town Hall Plaque - £1,046</p> <p><b>Total - £27,326</b></p>	
4.10	<p><u>Fracking in Erewash</u></p> <p>Would it be possible to have someone from Erewash Borough Council speak about the possibility of fracking within the borough at the next Forum meeting?</p> <p><i>Ian Marsden, Community Engagement Officer:</i>  I will raise your request with officers at Erewash Borough Council to see what may be possible for the next Ilkeston &amp; North Community Forum meeting scheduled for Wednesday 17 September 2014.</p> <p><i>Response:</i>  Following the meeting of Erewash Borough Council Corporate Management team on 22/07/14 it was advised that a more appropriate topic for the Ilkeston &amp; North Community Forum meeting scheduled for Wednesday 17 September 2014 would be the outcomes of the recent Boundary Review.</p>	<p><b>Ian Marsden to discuss the suggestion with EBC officers</b></p>
4.11	<p><u>Flooding in Ilkeston</u></p> <p>The last heavy rainstorm in Ilkeston (approximately two months ago) resulted in some properties being flooded, e.g. The Arena Church. I have noticed a number of silted drains in Cotmanhay. What does Derbyshire County Council have in terms of a programme of clearance of their drains?</p> <p>How does Erewash Borough Council ensure that future developments do not contribute to the flooding problems?</p> <p><i>Ian Marsden, Community Engagement Officer:</i>  I will contact Paul Jameson, Local Area Forum Liaison Officer at Derbyshire County Council to seek a response regarding the programme for clearing the drains. I will contact Dave Bramwell, Head of Green Space and Street Scene, Erewash Borough Council regarding the consideration of new developments and their impact on flooding as he is involved with the Emergency Planning Team.</p> <p><i>Action: Ian Marsden e-mailed Paul Jameson and Dave Bramwell on 09/07/14.</i></p> <p><i>Dave Bramwell recommended contacting James Biddlestone of Derbyshire County Council regarding this issue on 14/07/14.</i></p> <p><i>Action: Ian Marsden e-mailed James Biddlestone on 14/07/14.</i></p> <p><i>Response from Ashley Dunn, Senior Technician, Flood Risk &amp; Transport Asset Management Team, Derbyshire County Council on 24/07/14:</i>  At present, Local Planning Authorities, in liaison with the Environment Agency, will normally require that for all rainfall events up to and including the 1 in 100 year (1% annual probability) event the rate of surface water runoff from a new development into a watercourse or sewer should be no</p>	<p><b>Ian Marsden to contact Paul Jameson, DCC and Dave Bramwell</b></p>

	<p>greater than the undeveloped rate of surface water runoff for the same event, termed the greenfield runoff rate. The purpose of this is to maintain the 'natural' flow of water from a development and not increase the peak flow rates that existed pre-development.</p> <p>However, developing impermeable surfaces on a site increases the rate and volume of surface water reaching receiving watercourses and hence restricting surface water to greenfield rates creates a surplus of water which must be stored on site. Developers are encouraged to store this surplus on site in basins, ponds and other storage features and discharge it at a controlled rate to replicate the natural system.</p> <p>At present, Local Planning Authorities use the Planning Practice Guidance, the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and their own Local Plans to enforce that these principles are put in place prior to a development being given full planning permission.</p> <p>Following the enactment of Schedule 3 of the Flood and Water Management Act 2010, Derbyshire County Council (DCC) will become a SuDS Approval Body (SAB) which will mean that DCC will be responsible for approving the drainage of all developments to National Standards. This will further tighten the legislation surrounding flood risk and developments as no development can legally commence until a suitable drainage scheme in flood risk terms is submitted and approved by DCC. The SuDS National Standards (yet to be finalised) will demand more consideration to flood risk on site and off site than existing legislation with the aim of making development more sustainable and resilient to flooding.</p>	
4.12	The Chair closed the meeting at 8:45pm.	
	<p><b>Date and time of next meeting</b>  Wednesday 17 September 2014, 7:00pm.  Gladstone Lodge, Market Street, Ilkeston</p>	