



meeting notes

Title: Ilkeston and North Community Forum

Date: Monday 17 September 2012

Venue: Gladstone Lodge, Market Street, Ilkeston, DE7 5RB

Apologies: Lew Hall; Councillor James Dawson; Councillor Abey Stevenson.

No.	Subject	Action / Lead Officer
1	Welcome from the Chair (Lesley Flint)	
2	John Brickles, Recycling Supervisor, Erewash Borough Council: Recycling for Erewash	
2.1	John Brickles (JB) introduced himself as one of two Recycling Officers at EBC. He started by explaining about the vehicles that the council use to collect refuse and recycling. JB explained how many bins are collected per day (totalling 288,000 bins per month) and the costs involved.	
2.2	<p><i>Question from resident:</i> Who is responsible for tidying up the recycling materials if they are blown about by the wind before they are collected?</p> <p><i>Response from John Brickles, Recycling Supervisor, Erewash Borough Council:</i> Before the materials are collected it is the responsibility of residents to ensure that all materials are securely stored for collection. On being collected it is the responsibility of the refuse collectors to tidy any materials that are dropped.</p> <p><i>Question from resident:</i> On some occasions dropped materials are not picked up by refuse collectors.</p> <p><i>Response from John Brickles, Recycling Supervisor, Erewash Borough Council:</i> The refuse collectors should pick up any materials that they drop. If there are occasions when this is not occurring we need to be informed so that we can take the appropriate action.</p>	

2.3	<p><i>Question from resident:</i> I had an instance a while ago where my blue bin was crushed whilst it was being emptied on the refuse wagon. I telephoned the Contact Centre and was advised to go to the town hall to collect some green recycling bags to replace the blue bin. I was annoyed by the attitude of the people that I spoke to on the telephone.</p> <p><i>Response from John Brickles, Recycling Supervisor, Erewash Borough Council:</i> I will talk further with you about this issue at the end of the meeting.</p>	
2.4	<p>JB continued his presentation and explained that 42% of the all the waste that is collected by Erewash Borough Council is classed as recyclable.</p>	
2.5	<p><i>Question from resident:</i> Why do we have to pay for blue bins and not the brown bins?</p> <p><i>Response from Phil Wright, Director for Operational Services, Erewash Borough Council:</i> The issue relates to how recycling has evolved. A decision was taken a number of years ago to alternate the weekly collection between general waste and recycling. Originally the recycling collection collected just paper and card. The green bag provided was acceptable for this limited amount of recyclable material. Since this time more legislation has been introduced and the service has had to expand to include other recyclable materials. To provide a blue bin to every household would cost Erewash Borough Council approximately £1 million. None the less this option has been discussed by Councillors and, to date, they have decided not to pursue this option due to the costs involved. The brown bins that are provided free of charge can also be used for recycling during the winter months when garden waste is not collected. Another consideration is that some people may not want a blue bin. The blue bin would not be provided for 'free' in that its provision has to be financed by Erewash Borough Council.</p>	
2.6	<p>JB went on to explain that generally Erewash Borough Council would not ask people to pay for a bin that needs to be replaced because of normal wear and tear.</p> <p><i>Councillor Michelle Booth:</i> A grant of £1 million was received by Erewash Borough Council a few years ago to invest in the refuse collection service, yet residents were still told to pay for their blue recycling bins. Why was this?</p> <p><i>Response from Phil Wright, Director for Operational Services, Erewash Borough Council:</i> My only comment regarding the DEFRA (Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs) grant received several years ago was that it bought the refuse collection vehicles and associated equipment. Before my time working for Erewash</p>	

Borough Council a smaller grant of approximately £40,000 to £50,000 was received to supply blue recycling bins. This money was not enough to provide a blue recycling bin to the whole of Erewash. The decision was taken to provide these bins free of charge to the households registered with our assisted collection scheme. This system continues to this day.

Further response from Phil Wright, Director for Operational Services, Erewash Borough Council:

I can confirm:

- 1) the original grant was awarded for the introduction of a kerbside recycling scheme
- 2) the scheme as reported was for £1,071,675, this was accepted at the Executive of 14 July 2004 and was subject to scrutiny on the 26 July 2004.
- 3) The grant was to be spent as follows:
 - a. £480,000 for the purchase of 4 dual body vehicles
 - b. £113,750 for recycling bags
 - c. £377,925 for crews for one year
 - d. £100,000 for promotion of the scheme

I can also confirm that the Council was awarded a smaller DEFRA Waste Performance and Efficiency Grant (WPEG) in 2007, this grant was for £95,353.

£20,000 of this grant was used for promotion and research and £75,000 was allocated to the provision of free 140 litre blue wheeled containers to residents on the assisted collection scheme.

NB. The assisted collection scheme ensures that anyone living within the Borough who is unable to present their wheelie bin or recycling bags at the kerbside and has no one else to assist them is eligible for the service.

If someone is physically unable to present their bin or recycling bags due to a long term condition or short term injury, pregnancy or infirmity Erewash Borough Council's refuse crew will collect their wheelie bin and recycling bags from where they are normally stored on their property and return them after emptying.

If someone thinks they might require the assisted collection service they can call Erewash Borough Council's Customer Service Advisors on 0115 907 2244. Applications can be made over the telephone or in person at the Town Halls, and in some cases home visits can be arranged.

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JB's presentation then explained the various locations that the recyclable materials are taken once collected.

Question from resident:

In some areas the brown garden waste bin is also used to collect

	<p>food waste. Why can't we put all our food waste in that bin too?</p> <p><i>Response from Phil Wright, Director for Operational Services, Erewash Borough Council:</i></p> <p>The issue with food waste is that collecting it can lead to cross contamination. When food waste is collected alongside garden waste materials it can only be processed in what are called high temperature vessels. These vessels turn all the waste into compost whilst killing all the bacteria. Our garden waste materials are not subject to these high temperatures. We are looking into the possibility of collecting food waste but at the current time it's too expensive to consider.</p>	
2.8	<p>JB then went on to explain which materials can and can't be recycled at the kerbside, together with an explanation of what can be recycled at Household Waste Recycling Centres.</p>	
2.9	<p><i>Question from resident:</i> Why can't you take picture glass?</p> <p><i>Response from Julie Harvey, Resource, Recovery & Fleet Manager, Erewash Borough Council:</i></p> <p>It's from a health and safety point of view. Glass such as this tends to have sharp edges and, because of the risk of physical injury in collecting it, we have decided not to collect it.</p>	
2.10	<p><i>Question from resident:</i> I've noticed that at some recycling sites there are now a number of small recycling bins as opposed to one large recycling bin. Is this as economical?</p> <p><i>Response from John Brickles, Recycling Supervisor, Erewash Borough Council:</i></p> <p>We will always try and ensure that we have the capacity to take whatever is brought to the recycling sites. We have enough bins on site to make sure that they are never too full. If they were to become full then we know that people would 'fly tip' the materials at the site.</p>	
2.11	<p><i>Councillor Michelle Booth:</i> (following a discussion about monitoring fly tipping at recycling sites) Erewash Borough Council is investing money in a new CCTV system. Would it be possible for there to be a presentation at a future Forum meeting on the new CCTV system being introduced?</p> <p><i>Chair:</i> We will ensure that this suggestion is considered.</p>	<p>Ian Marsden, Consultation Officer, EBC to forward this suggestion for consideration.</p>
2.12	<p>JB's presentation then covered the 'frequently asked questions' about the service.</p>	
2.14	<p><i>Question from resident (previously submitted):</i> Are we allowed, or will we be allowed, to recycle Tetrapaks?</p> <p><i>Response from John Brickles, Recycling Supervisor, Erewash</i></p>	

	<p><i>Borough Council:</i> Yes. We now accept Tetrapaks.</p>	
2.15	<p><i>Question from resident (previously submitted):</i> With regards to the recycling and the green bag system, a few people do have blue bins which they have purchased, but the green bags are a menace. They are an eyesore and are dangerous. Whilst appreciating that the collectors have to work to a schedule, once these bags are emptied, if there is nowhere to hang them they get blown about everywhere and make Ilkeston look untidy. They get tatty and dirty too. Would it be an idea, and within budget, to have plastic containers as they do in some districts which can be washed out and have less chance of being blown about on to the road?</p> <p><i>NB. This question was not read out at the meeting as it was felt by the Consultation Officer that the issue raised had already been addressed during the meeting.</i></p>	
2.16	<p><i>Question from resident (previously submitted):</i> Regarding plastic recycling, and specifically plastic sheeting used as wrapping and packaging, and also plastic bags. As I understand it, at present, we can only recycle plastic bottles so my non-recycling bin is full of this sheet plastic. Can we not find a way of recycling this form of plastic?</p> <p><i>Response from John Brickles, Recycling Supervisor, Erewash Borough Council:</i> We do take carrier bags. Some of the food trays are recyclable.</p> <p><i>Response from Phil Wright, Director for Operational Services, Erewash Borough Council:</i> Look for the recycling 'triangle' to see if we can take the plastic. If the number in the triangle is a 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 then we can. What we can collect is driven by the companies that work with the recyclable materials to make them into new products. If they can't make money from the material they won't collect it.</p>	
2.17	<p><i>Question from resident (previously submitted):</i> Why is there a charge for blue recycling bins when the black and brown ones are free? I already pay £100 per month Council Tax and cannot see why I should have to pay another £26 of my pension for a blue bin which would replace 4 or 5 green bags, which are also free, and facilitate the collection of recyclable material.</p> <p><i>NB. This question was not read out at the meeting as it was felt by the Consultation Officer that the issue raised had already been addressed during the meeting.</i></p>	
2.18	<p><i>Question from resident (previously submitted):</i> We are keen recyclers and composters, however, we are never sure what the correct procedure is in dealing with oil waste. Please advise if there is an easier way of recycling used household oils other than collecting in jars and taking to the local tip as we do.</p>	

	<p><i>Response from John Brickles, Recycling Supervisor, Erewash Borough Council:</i> The way stated by the resident is the only way that we can recycle this item at the moment. It can be taken to Manners Industrial Estate.</p>	
2.19	<p><i>Question from resident:</i> Shouldn't we be looking to incinerate household waste instead of taking it to land fill?</p> <p><i>Response from Phil Wright, Director for Operational Services, Erewash Borough Council:</i> Disposal of residual household waste is the responsibility of Derbyshire County Council. The Council understands that energy from waste is part of their long term strategy. This is an option that we will look at in the future as land fill becomes more expensive.</p>	
2.20	<p><i>Question from resident:</i> Should we remove the tops from our bottles and cartons before placing them in the recycling?</p> <p><i>Response from John Brickles, Recycling Supervisor, Erewash Borough Council:</i> Yes, they should be removed. If the bottle and carton tops are attached it allows air to be trapped within these containers, making it more difficult to crush them in the collection lorry.</p>	
2.21	<p><i>Ian Marsden, Consultation Officer, Erewash Borough Council:</i> I will ensure that the slides from John's presentation are circulated along with the meeting notes in the next two to three weeks. I will also make arrangements for the presentation to be made available on the Council's website. An article explaining the new recycling arrangements in Erewash is to feature in the next edition of the <i>EBC today</i> community magazine. This magazine is issued free to every Erewash household and you should receive your copy in late October / early November.</p>	<p>Ian Marsden to circulate Powerpoint presentation and make it available on EBC website</p>
2.22	<p>The Chair closed the agenda item and thanked JB for his presentation.</p>	
3	<p>Dean Gazzard, Station Manager, Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service (DFRS)</p>	
3.1	<p>The Chair introduced Dean Gazzard (DG). DFRS is currently developing its Integrated Risk Management Plan (IRMP) for 2013/14. The IRMP identifies both the national and local fire and rescue service risks that the communities of Derbyshire are exposed to. To assist with the development of the IRMP, DFRS is carrying out consultation with the public.</p>	
3.2	<p>The presentation covers the main risk areas for fire and road traffic collisions and where DFRS resources are currently located; the sprinkler campaign and other preventative work</p>	

	DFRS carry out to reduce risk and the current budget against any future reductions. The presentation can be found on the DFRS website www.derbys-fire.gov.uk .	
3.3	DG then took questions from the floor.	
3.4	<p><i>Councillor Michelle Booth:</i> What actions do DFRS take after a major incidents in an area?</p> <p><i>Response from Dean Gazzard, Station Manager, Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service:</i> We obviously don't know where future fires will occur. Following a major incident in an area we will, where resources allow, flood the area with community service officers, do home fire safety checks, fit smoke alarms, offer home counselling services, for example.</p>	
3.5	<p><i>Councillor Louis Booth:</i> In relation to the large fire at Stanton over the past couple of days, my perception is that there has been an increase in the number of business fires. Are you still as proactive in checking businesses for their fire prevention measures?</p> <p><i>Response from Dean Gazzard, Station Manager, Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service:</i> Under the fire safety order the onus is on business owners to manage their own risk. They need to assess the risk and have in place a fire risk assessment. DFRS has in place a risk based inspection program where trained officer inspect premises to ensure that they are compliant and that their risk assessment is suitable and sufficient.</p>	
3.6	<p><i>Question from resident:</i> When a big fire occurs how are the costs associated with tackling the blaze absorbed?</p> <p><i>Response from Dean Gazzard, Station Manager, Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service:</i> All costs are covered by the income generated from Council Tax charges and business taxes.</p>	
3.7	<p>DG explained DFRS's sprinkler campaign, the aim of which is to increase the number of domestic dwellings that have sprinklers fitted in them. DG showed an example of a sprinkler (approximately 10cms in diameter) and explained that they are available in different colours.</p> <p><i>Question from resident:</i> Should all new houses have a sprinkler system fitted?</p> <p><i>Response from Dean Gazzard, Station Manager, Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service:</i> Whilst it is not in legislation yet that they should have, I certainly believe that this should be the case. What better way to reduce fire deaths in the home than to have what is basically a fire fighter in every room?</p>	

	<p><i>Councillor John Booth:</i> What are the costs involved in fitting sprinkler systems?</p> <p><i>Response from Dean Gazzard, Station Manager, Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service:</i> £2000 if the pipe work is not already fitted. £600 if the pipe work is there.</p> <p>DG went onto explain that it is not in any legislation for a business to have a sprinkler system fitted. If one is fitted it would reduce their insurance costs.</p> <p><i>Chris Thornhill, Consultation and Evaluation Officer, Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service:</i> DFRS have put £200,000 to one side for districts to match fund when building new properties. This money is to support the provision of sprinklers.</p>	
3.8	<p>DG explained that DFRS are considering charging for services on certain occasions. The ability to introduce such charges comes from both the Localism Act and the Fire Services Act. DG explained that DFRS are asking people if they support this proposal. An example of a possible charge would be where someone has locked themselves out of their house. A call to the fire brigade to get them in their house costs the fire brigade £600. The proposal is to explain to people, prior to taking the action, what the cost to them would be. They would then be given the option of whether to go ahead or not. The caller would also be sign posted to a service provider for example a locksmith.</p>	
3.9	<p>DG explained the three key themes of the fire service - response, prevention and protection. DG explained that the consultation is asking people how they would prioritise spend across these three areas.</p>	
3.10	<p><i>Question from resident:</i> We had our house checked and had two smoke alarms fitted. The batteries ran out and I went to the fire station as I didn't know which batteries I needed to fit. I was told to send the smoke alarms back to the manufacturers. I didn't know where to send them back to. In the end the fire station did give me a new smoke alarm. Why can we not maintain the old ones?</p> <p><i>Response from Dean Gazzard, Station Manager, Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service:</i> The smoke alarms that we fit today are sealed units with a ten year battery life span.</p>	
3.11	<p>The Chair thanked DG for his presentation and asked that any further questions regarding the consultation or the fire service be directed to DG at the closure of the meeting.</p>	

4	Update from Officers	
4.1	<p>The Chair introduced Phil Sudlow (PS), Housing Benefits Manager, Erewash Borough Council.</p> <p>PS explained that Council Tax Benefit is changing nationally from April 2013. A new Council Tax Support Scheme will be introduced. This scheme is to be devised by the local council (i.e. Erewash Borough Council in this area). Erewash Borough Council is being subjected to a 10% cut in the funding received from central government in relation to supporting Council Tax Benefit. This will result in changes to the amount of Council Tax support that can be offered. Pensioners are protected from any changes to what they currently receive in Council Tax Benefit. Central government have insisted on this. For the Erewash borough the shortfall in funding is approximately £850,000. A proposal has been made by Erewash Borough Council as to how to best mitigate this shortfall.</p>	
4.2	<p>From April 2013 Erewash Borough Council has proposed a change to the Council Tax discounts that people can apply for.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Second homes</u> – the current Council Tax exemption is set at 50%. It is proposed to remove this exemption completely and charge the full 100% Council Tax. • <u>Unoccupied domestic properties</u> – the current Council Tax exemption is set at 100% for a maximum of six months with a discount of 50% thereafter. It is proposed to change the exemption to 100% for a maximum of three months thereafter no exemption or discount will be awarded. • <u>Unoccupied domestic properties over two years</u> – It is proposed to charge an additional 50% on these properties providing a charge of 150% for this category. • <u>Uninhabitable domestic properties currently undergoing structural alterations, renovation and repair</u> – the current Council Tax exemption is set at 100% for a maximum of twelve months. It is proposed to change the exemption to 100% for a maximum of six months thereafter no exemption or discount will be awarded. <p>All the proposed changes are subject to regulation changes.</p>	
4.3	<p>The extra revenue generated would then reduce the impact on the non-protected benefits claimants. At this stage it is likely that there would be an approximate reduction in the support offered to working age claimants of about 10% to 15%. The scheme proposed generally mirrors the current Council Tax Benefit scheme with some changes. For example, Second Adult Rebate will be removed under the proposals.</p>	
4.4	<p>The consultation on the proposals is live and runs until 2 November 2012.</p>	

4.5	<p><i>Question from resident:</i> How do you define pension age?</p> <p><i>Response from Phil Sudlow, Housing Benefits Manager, Erewash Borough Council:</i> We follow the Government's definition of state pension age.</p>	
4.6	<p><i>Councillor Michelle Booth:</i> User friendly information is required so that residents can understand the implications of these changes. I think the consultation drop-in events that are planned are good.</p> <p><i>Response from Phil Sudlow, Housing Benefits Manager, Erewash Borough Council:</i> We are undertaking a series of drop-in events. We will be available to advise people. We have written to all non-protected benefits customers explaining this process.</p>	
4.7	<p>The Chair thanked PS for his presentation and explained that PS would be available at the end of the meeting to discuss any issues.</p>	
4.8	<p>The Chair then invited Paul Jameson (PJ), Local Area Forum Liaison Officer, Derbyshire County Council to speak.</p> <p>PJ explained that the 'Healthwatch Derbyshire' consultation has now been launched. Healthwatch is a new initiative set up by the Government to make sure that residents can influence and challenge health and social care services in Derbyshire. This covers services such as those provided by hospitals, care homes, GP surgeries, disability home care services and others. It will be an independent service, replacing the Local Involvement Network (LINK), and must be in place before April 2013. PJ explained that the consultation documents were available for people to take away and that the consultation would be open until Monday 15 October. Further copies of the survey can be picked up from GP surgeries and at your local library.</p>	
5	<p>Questions for Officers</p>	
5.1	<p><u>Parking on South Street, Ilkeston</u> <i>Question from resident:</i> The parking on South Street is still terrible. Cars are still parking on double yellow lines, as well as delivery vans double parking, making it impossible to get up. Can anything be done about it please?</p> <p><i>Scott Cartledge, Neighbourhood Warden Manager, Erewash Borough Council:</i> We manage the on street parking. South Street is a problem area. Regarding delivery vans they are entitled to park for a set period of time. A marked delivery vehicle is allowed 10 minutes. Cars are given an observation period. I will ensure that South Street is included on our 'hot spot' list. Sergeant Troup will pass</p>	

	the information to the PCSOs to monitor the situation as well.	
5.2	<p><u>Ilkeston Hospital (1)</u> The Chair invited Rita Leverton, Chair of Ilkeston 50+ Forum, to say a few words regarding a petition that the 50+ Forum had organised. Rita explained that the petition referred to the proposed bed reductions and ward mergers at Ilkeston Hospital. Rita asked people in support of the petition to add their signatures on to the petition.</p>	
5.3	<p><u>Empty shops on Bath Street</u> <i>Question from resident:</i> With reference to the Ilkeston Advertiser article 'Council needs to step in' (September 13), the empty shops in Bath Street (particularly those at the bottom) really are a disgrace and an eyesore and have been for some years. Surely something can be done, e.g. boarding replaced and painted? This has been done in other towns with very limited budget.</p> <p><i>Scott Cartledge, Neighbourhood Warden Manager, Erewash Borough Council:</i> I would recommend that we request a response from Steve Birkinshaw, Head of Planning and Regeneration.</p> <p><i>Response from Phil Wright, Director for Operational Services, Erewash Borough Council:</i> The 'rEvide' project is currently ongoing. This project looks to place art works into empty shop units to improve the townscape and encourage interest in the empty shop units.</p> <p><i>Response from Steve Birkinshaw, Head of Planning & Regeneration, Erewash Borough Council:</i> The Borough Council is concerned about the empty shops on Bath Street, and is already taking steps to address the problems caused by long term vacant shops. The Golden Hello scheme provides a grant incentive to new retail businesses to set up shop in Erewash, and the rEvide project has brought three empty shops into use by artists. The Borough Council will shortly be consulting on a revised Economic Development Strategy, which will include an indicative action plan to further address this issue. Means to encourage landlords to replace and paint boarding on vacant shops, as suggested by residents at the last Ilkeston & North Community Forum, is being actively considered as part of this.</p>	Ian Marsden to contact Steve Birkinshaw.
5.4	<p><u>Ormiston Enterprise Academy</u> <i>Question from resident:</i> What are Derbyshire County Council doing about the recent announcement by The Ormiston Trust that our local secondary school, Bennerley in Cotmanhay, is to close because the Trust that took it over last year say that they can no longer keep it open?!</p> <p><i>Response from Paul Jameson, Local Area Forum Liaison Officer, Derbyshire County Council:</i> I will seek a response form my colleagues at Derbyshire County</p>	Paul Jameson to seek a response and report back via the meeting

	<p>Council and report back via the meeting notes.</p> <p><i>Councillor Val Custance:</i> I am on the Board of Governors for the school and we are very angry regarding last week's announcement. A meeting of Governors is to take place to discuss this issue.</p> <p><i>Councillor Louis Booth:</i> All parties should be lobbying to ensure that the school is kept in Cotmanhay.</p> <p><i>Response from Paul Jameson, Local Area Forum Liaison Officer, Derbyshire County Council:</i> This enquiry refers to the Ormiston Trust's proposals to merge the Ormiston Enterprise Academy with the Ormiston Ilkeston Academy due to falling budgets and student numbers.</p> <p>The Trust is considering whether to merge both academies by September 2014; a formal consultation process on this proposal began on 11 September 2012 and runs until 6 November 2012. A consultation website has also been set up and can be visited at www.OIAOEA.co.uk.</p> <p>Enquiries with Derbyshire County Council's Assistant Director of Education Improvement have confirmed that the Authority has been approached by the Ormiston Trust, seeking our views on their proposed merger.</p> <p>DCC's response has been clear in that we do not support this merger as we do not believe the Academy has been given sufficient time to succeed. During the academy transfer it was made clear to the Trust that DCC wanted a presence to be maintained in Cotmanhay.</p>	notes.
5.5	<p><u>Ilkeston Hospital (2)</u></p> <p><i>Councillor Michelle Booth:</i> Through the Chair of this Forum can we appeal to Jessica Lee MP that this cannot be allowed to happen?</p> <p><i>Response from Phil Wright, Director for Operational Services, Erewash Borough Council:</i> Erewash Borough Council has an Associate Director for Health, Tony Morkane. I will speak to him regarding this issue. It may be that we discuss this issue at the next Forum meeting.</p> <p><i>Resident:</i> East Midlands Ambulance Service has announced this week that ambulance stations across the region are set to close due to lack of use and costs to repairs to maintain them. We need to fight against these closures.</p> <p><i>Councillor David Stephenson:</i> The issue was raised in parliament last week. Regarding the ambulance service perhaps, with modern communications, it can be run from two or three hubs.</p>	Phil Wright to contact Tony Morkane

	<p><i>Councillor Michelle Booth:</i> Can the Chair of this Forum write a letter on behalf of residents to state that residents are against the proposed bed reductions and ward mergers at Ilkeston Hospital?</p> <p><i>Chair:</i> I will meet with Ian Marsden, Consultation Officer, Erewash Borough Council in the next couple of weeks to discuss how we may take this forward.</p> <p><i>Action taken following meeting:</i> Ian Marsden has prepared a briefing paper for Erewash Borough Council's Corporate Management Team highlighting the issues raised at the Forum meeting.</p> <p>NB. Though no consultation programme regarding the proposed changes has been launched, correspondence regarding this issue can be directed to Jackie Rawlings, General Manager for the Erewash area of Derbyshire Community Health Services NHS Trust, c/o Headquarters, Newholme Hospital, Baslow Road, Bakewell, Derbyshire, DE45 1AD. Tel: 01629 812 525. Email: communications@dchs.nhs.uk.</p>	<p>Ian Marsden to arrange a meeting date with the Chair to discuss the action to be taken regarding the Ilkeston Hospital issue.</p>
	<p>Date and time of next meeting Tuesday 15 January 2013, 7:00pm. Venue to be confirmed.</p>	