



**“Working Together for a Successful Stapleford”**

**Attendees**

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| Nicola Boyles   | Broxtowe Borough Council |
| Goff Walt       | Resident                 |
| Jane Carling    | Balloon Explosion        |
| John Astell     | Silk Shades              |
| Alderman Tom    | Age Concern              |
| Martin          |                          |
| Cllr Rik Sharma | Stapleford Town Council  |

**Appologies**

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| Louise Ashby   | Broxtowe Borough Council |
| Brian Wombwell | Stapleford Town Council  |
| Barbra Brooke  | Stapleford Core Group    |
| Gary McGrath   | Nu Trend Interiors       |
| Marla Stringer | Marshall Allen           |

**1. Welcome, apologies & minutes from the last meeting**

**Action 1** – NB to speak with Breeze. NB is still to speak with Breeze

**Action 2** – LA to continue working on the Stapleford by the sea event, also work on business sponsorship – this is on the agendas.

**2. Stapleford Regeneration Group Chair**

It was agreed by the group that in absence of a chair coming forward a rotating chair system would be trailed. It was agreed the chair would stand for 3 consecutive months before changing to the new chair and possible chair suggestions were given. Goff Watt volunteered his support for to the chairs.

**Action 1**

**3. Stapleford by the Sea**

NB gave an update on the recent progress made to this event that is taking place on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> August. The group then discussed possible activities local businesses could participate in to attract people to the shops whilst at the event. It was agreed that a treasure hunt competition would be organised. The treasure hunt competition would be to find letters placed on buckets within participating shop windows. The letters, when arranged, would spell ‘Stapleford by the Sea’ and depending on the number of participating shops there could be rogue letters and numbers included too. It was also agreed participation businesses would pay a £10 fee that would go towards the event costs and promotions. To identify participation shops a window poster would be used and the prize for the competition would come from these shops also.

**Action 2**

**4. Any other business**

**Litter Surveys**

Stapleford Core Group are carrying out the litter survey on the 13<sup>th</sup> June. The zones will be the same as last year and each zone will be surveyed 3 times on the day.

On Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June Stapleford Core Group will do a litter pick and they are looking for recruits to help out. The group are meeting at 10.00am at the Carnegie Centre and going back to the Carnegie Centre when they have finished for refreshments.

## **Hanging Baskets**

Hanging Basket paperwork has been sent out to all businesses, in order for the scheme to make an impact we need as many businesses as possible to sign up, so far there has only been 6 replies. If you are interested please fill in the paperwork (spares in the folder) and return as soon as possible.

**Action 3**

## **Business Crime Violence and Stress Event**

On Tuesday the HSE are putting on a free morning event at Phoenix Place to address practical steps that can be used to tackle business crime violence and stress in the workplace. There are still places available for people wishing to attend. (Flyers in the folder)

## **Farmers Market**

It was asked if the Co-op car park would be a suitable location for a farmers market

**Action 4**

## **Stapleford Paving**

The group complained at how long it was taking Nottingham County Council to complete this scheme as little progress is being made and concern is growing that the works might not be complete for the Stapleford by the Sea event. NB noted all points of concern.

**Action 5**

## **Consultancy work**

NB informed the group that a consultant had been commissioned to survey local businesses, users of the town, non-users of the town and the street scene. The results of this work will form the basis of an improvement plan for the town.

## **Actions**

- 1) **LA to speak with the suggested chairs**
- 2) **LA to produce Treasure Hunt information**
- 3) **Group members to promote hanging basket scheme**
- 4) **LA to speak with farmers market contact**
- 5) **NB to contact NCC regarding points of concern**

## **Date of Next Meeting**

Thursday 6th July 2006, 6pm