

# Bramcote Community Action Team Bramcote Memorial Hall Monday 6 March 2017



Present

Cllr J Doddy (Chair) Cllr M Plackett Joy Balchin Paul Heery Sue Sambells Broxtowe Borough Council Broxtowe Borough Council Broxtowe Borough Council Whitehills Park Federation Notts Neighbourhood Watch Clir JD Clir MP JB PH SAS

19 residents signed the register

## 1. Welcome and Introductions

Cllr John Doddy welcomed everyone to the 64th Bramcote CAT meeting.

## 2. Apologies

Apologies were received from 2 residents.

## 3. Minutes and matters arising – CIIr JD

Cllr JD advised the meeting that Paul Nathanail (CPN) has submitted amendments in relation to the 05.12.16 Bramcote CAT meeting minutes. CPNs amendments are attached at Appendix 1.

## 4. Update on Action Plan – Cllr MP

Cllr MP provided to following updates:

#### Bramcote/Sherwin Arms traffic island

Maintenance funding - Richard Jackson, Leader of Broxtowe Borough Council is seeking funding from Highways England (HE)

A schedule for the maintenance is being negotiated so that it can occur at such times when HE traffic management is in place for their regular grass cutting

A local resident raised concern that during heavy rain the gravel/soil from the top surface of Bramcote/Sherwin Arms traffic island is washed off onto the adjacent road surface.

ACTION – CIIr MP to report that during heavy rain the gravel/soil from the top surface of Bramcote/Sherwin Arms traffic island is washed off onto the adjacent road surface.

Post meeting note – Cllr MP contacted M Dangerfield at HE and P Summers BBC on 06.03.17

Installation of bench - New seat installed on Hanley Avenue/Church Street

New litter bin Bramcote Park – Awaiting new replacement for burnt out bin.

## 5. A52 Petition, response from Secretary of State -TS

Local resident, Tony Smith updated the meeting as follows:

Anna Soubry MP and TS delivered a petition calling for speeding measures to be installed on the A52 to the Secretary of State. The petition will now go to the Department of Transport.

Cllr MP - the Department of Transport report can be expected in 2 months time. Highways England are also undertaking a speeding review.

#### 6. Café in the Park – fundraising and progress – Cllr SH

Cllr Stan Heptinstall updated the meeting as follows:

A Community Interest Company (CIC) has now been set up, several meetings have been held. Tim Crawford, BBC, Parks and Environment, Business and Projects Manager attends.

Fundraising is currently underway, this includes crowd funding and leaflet drops to local businesses. A fund raising dinner is being on Saturday 22.04.17 at St Michaels Church Centre, Tickets are £25.00 and can be obtained by contacting 07870 600825

- Initial funding will be used for designs
- There will be consultation
- All profits from the business will be put back into the cafe
- The project is engaging with Foxwood School.

#### 7. Bramcote Hills Development update – PH

Executive Head, Paul Heery provided the following information:

The OFSTED inspection at Alderman White School is now 4 months late, PH will update the Bramcote CAT on the outcome as soon as he is able.

Pupils and staff will be leaving the Bramcote School building at the end of July 2017, this will be marked with an event for former pupils, members of the wider community are welcome to attend. Any items from the school which can be reused eg furniture will be retained. In September 2017 Bramcote School pupils and the 6<sup>th</sup> Form will all move into the Bramcote Hills building.

The rebuilding project is progressing and there will be a 5 stage consultation period which will include consultation on the federation's website and also at a public consultation sessions.

In May 2017 the federation intends to submit an outline planning application for Coventry Lane and a detailed application for the new school.

There will be a public meeting at the school on 18.04.17 between 2.30pm - 6.00pm to enable residents to access information about the rebuilding project. Information will also be available on the Bramcote Today website and there will be mail drops.

PH had copies of the initial design drawings with him, he and gave an overview of the drawings and took questions. As soon as they are able the school will put the drawings onto their website.

If the application is approved it is hoped that work will commence in Spring 2018 and that the new school buildings will open at the start of the 2019 school year – this is of course dependent on many factors.

PH took questions.

Cllr JD thanked PH for his ongoing contribution to Bramcote CAT meetings.

#### 8. Report from Paul Nathanail (CPN) on Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr JD read out the following a report supplied by Paul Nathanail (CPN)

My apologies for not being able to join you in person due to work commitments.

The Bramcote Neighbourhood Forum's activities since the last CAT meeting focused on engaging with Broxtowe's emerging Local Plan Part 2 and working to gather evidence on Bramcote's need for housing to inform our neighbourhood plan. Formal decisions with respect to the Council's plan and the appeal at the former Golf Course.

The recent appeals at the former Golf Course and Field Farm coupled with the Council's poorly formulated plans to amend the green belt boundary makes it all the more important that local residents engage with the Forum and help make our combined voice loud and clearly heard by decision makers at all levels.

We have had conflicting evidence about the fate of the land occupied by the Bramcote School. We have had confirmation from the Council that this land is allocated for educational or leisure purposes. We expect our councillors to uphold this decision and to strongly reject any suggestions for other land uses on this land.

We expect the fate of council controlled land to feature in the forthcoming County Council elections. Bramcote is paying a heavy price with little return for its loss of public assets. The time has come for Borough and County to work together to deliver tangible local benefit. Our consultation exercises over the past year show a great desire for the replacement leisure centre to be located in Bramcote. The former school site is the ideal location.

The next steps in preparing the Neighbourhood Plan are to agree a set of planning policies based on our evidence. This will include designation of local green space beyond those intended by the council, reinforcement of the allocation of the Bramcote School Site and a clear statement of the nature of development to be supported in Bramcote.

I would like to thank the chairman for this invitation to provide a brief update. There is more to be said and the time for that is the Forum's next meeting on Monday 27 March.

Paul Nathanail Chairman, Bramcote Neighborhood Forum

Cllr MP – the advice from Broxtowe Borough Council is that the Neighbourhood Forum should proceed to a draft Neighbourhood Plan as soon as they are able and then to see that this is consistent with the site allocation endorsed by the Jobs and Economy Committee in January.

#### 9. Motion passed by BHCA re Bramcote Leisure Centre – SA

Steve Austin informed the meeting as follows:

At the Bramcote Hills Community Association AGM on 15.02.17 concern was raised that rather more land than actually needed for the school development is being taken out of greenbelt. There is disquiet amongst residents and BHCA feel the community need greater benefit than just a new school. The following motion was put to BHCA's AGM:

'Bramcote Hills Community Association expects to see social benefits from the White Hills Park Federation school development plans and the development of publicly owned land. In particular this would include use by the community of the school facilities outside school hours, and the rebuilding of the leisure centre'.

This motion was approved unanimously, there were no abstentions. BHCA have submitted the proposal to the Neighbourhood Forum.

Cllr MP advised the meeting that Liberty Leisure have commenced a review of leisure facilities this should be completed by the Autumn.

The Bramcote School site leasehold belongs to the school federation, who are proposing that this will go back to Notts County Council. It was suggested that Cornerstone developers should be encouraged to propose that part of the school site be allocated for a leisure centre.

ACTION - P Heery to report back to the Bramcote CAT after speaking to Notts County Council about the possibility of them offering the Bramcote School site for a leisure centre. This in response to the BHCA motion.

#### 10. Police, crime and statistics. Neighbourhood Watch update - SAS

Police no longer attend CAT meetings, however they do provide crime data which is incorporated into the report attached at Appendix 2. This report produced by Sue Sambells, Trustee, Nottinghamshire Neighbourhood Watch.

#### 11. Fields Farm/BHGC appeals update

Fields Farm – 6150 new houses must be provided in Broxtowe Borough by 2028, Fields Farm is one of the identified sites. Cllr JD advised that Health and

Environmental issues are now at the forefront of considerations for new development.

Bramcote Hills Golf Course - Cllr JD advised that BBC had rejected a Planning Application appeal, however the appeal was upheld by an independent Inspector. This decision has disappointed many local residents.

Cllr Richard Jackson, Leader of Broxtowe Borough Council and Anna Soubry MP will meet with the Secretary of State to take legal advice as to whether to go for a judicial review in relation to the decision made by the independent Inspector.

Cllr SH was keen to ensure other points of view are considered regarding the intention to build a retirement living facility on the former BHGC site. Bramcote has an ageing community amongst which there are those who would welcome such a facility in their own locality.

Despite the judgment made by the Inspector and in relation to future development within the area Cllr MP was keen to emphasise that there are still positives for Bramcote, these are:

- Bramcote Park and Moor Lane playing fields will become protected local green space.
- School development site to include potential leisure facilities
- 5 year land supply protects other greenbelt sites in Bramcote from development
- New and enhanced green infrastructure can be planned
- A brand new 21<sup>st</sup> century school for Bramcote coupled with Whitehills Park federations aspirations for achievements and results will result in Bramcote becoming a hot spot in which to live and work as it was previously when the school was very highly regarded.

#### 12. Hemlock Happening update – SH

Cllr SH provided the following information:

The Hemlock Happening will take place on Bramcote Hills Park on Saturday 10.06.17 between 1.00pm – 10.00pm

The main sponsor this year is Specsavers There will, for the first time, be a Big Top in the central arena The cut-off date for stall applications is 31.03.17

#### 13. Residents' Issues

A local resident raised concern about graffiti on the footbridge over the A52 near Sherwin Island.

ACTION - CIIr MP to report graffiti on footbridge over the A52 near Sherwin Island to Police and to relevant agency for cleansing.

# 14. AOB

Cllr MP advised those present that this would be the last time Cllr Stan Heptinstall would be attending the CAT meeting as a County Councillor – the great service provided by Stan to Bramcote was acknowledged.

#### **15. Date of next meeting** Monday 5 June 2017, 7.00pm – 8.30pm Bramcote Memorial Hall, Church Street, Bramcote

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#### Amendments to the 05.12.16 Bramcote CAT minutes - Paul Nathanail (CPN)

Present		
Cllr J Doddy (Chair)	Broxtowe Borough Council	Cllr JD
Cllr M Plackett	Broxtowe Borough Council	Cllr MP
Joy Balchin	Broxtowe Borough Council	JB
PCSO Neil Reddish	Notts Police	PCSO NR
Paul Heery	White Hills Park Federation	PH
Sue Sambells	Notts Neighbourhood Watch	SAS
Paul Nathanail	Bramcote Neighbourhood Forum	CPN
David Watts	Café in the Park	DW

#### 6. White Hills Park Federation update – PH

Executive Head, Paul Heery provided the following information:

WHPF will support the A52 campaign.

Buildings Project – PH attended a Broxtowe Borough Council workshop re sites brought forward as potential sites for housing. The federation are now working with Cornerstone, a national company, there is a semi-formal agreement and a planning application will be submitted to Broxtowe Borough Council in Spring 2017. PH as advised previous CAT meetings that in order to ensure the school buildings are fit for purpose the federation needs to sell some of the land it leases from Nottinghamshire County Council, this will include land along Coventry Lane. The Bramcote School building continues to deteriorate and at present the gym cannot be used due to a leak under the floor, this means that pupils are currently having to walk to the other school site. If the planning application is given the go ahead the intention is for the school to move into new buildings in September 2019. In future WHPF are working with CAD there will only be two sites rather than three. architects, a Lincoln based company who have previously undertaken other schools based work. It is intended that the new school would allow provision for 750 x pupils, 250 x 6<sup>th</sup> form students and also incorporate a small amount of room for growth in numbers. This would be a 30% increase on the current capacity of the school buildings.

There will be public events enabling the design of the school to be discussed, information will be published in the schools newsletter, and through the Bramcote Today website.

There will be a formal consultation process.

PH took questions.

Cllr JD thanked PH for his ongoing attendance at Bramcote CAT meetings.

#### 7. Neighbourhood Plan – CPN

CPN, chair of Bramcote Neighbourhood Forum, provided the following update in relation to the emerging Bramcote Neighbourhood Plan.

A formal application for support to the Forum has been submitted to Locality and was successful. This relates to two forms of support: funding and technical assistance. During October two design charrette workshops were held for local residents to work together to formulate clear objectives for Bramcote over the next decade. The draft text for the plan has begun to be drawn up with the help of a range of local residents and organisations. The next stage is to crystallise the planning policies and to capture other aspects e.g. aspirations and projects. In addition to this, Protected Local Green Space designations will be sought, initially only in areas outside the present green belt boundary. An example of an area which the Forum members may wish to so designate is all or part of the former Bramcote Hills Golf Course site.

Broxtowe Borough Council ran a workshop in November which covered Bramcote Hills Park, Bramcote Ridge, Bramcote Leisure Centre, the running field, and school buildings as well as land on the west side of Coventry Lane, outside Bramcote. This was introduced as being not to allocate land for development but to explore the design principles that should be applied were any development to be applied. During the workshop however it emerged that Broxtowe Borough Council are minded to move the green belt boundary to the railway line so a considerable tract of land will come out of Green belt. At the workshop it was agreed by council officers that land taken out of green belt and not allocated for development could be designated a Protected Green Space but that this course of action offered a weaker protection against development than leaving land in the green belt would have offered. Planning applications could be submitted during any "window" of time when Green belt protection was no longer in place and Protected Local Green Space had yet to be established.

Effectively all of Bramcote's Green belt will be lost if the concepts presented by Council officers were realised. If however we want new school buildings the land on which they will be built would according to Council officers have to be outside the green belt. The Neighbourhood Forum cannot touch Green belt boundaries as this is a strategic matter and the preserve of the Borough Council. There is a need to align the three Neighbourhood Plans being developed in the Broxtowe main built up area and Broxtowe Borough Council's Local Plan Part 2. The Council Jobs and Economy Committee are due to meet in January 2017 to discuss proposals for Part 2, including any changes to the green belt, to be put to the Committee by Council planning officers.

CPN advised the meeting that by March 2017, the month in which the next Bramcote CAT meeting takes place, we may well be in the middle of the Neighbourhood Forum's consultation on the draft Neighbourhood Plan.

#### CPN took questions.

CPN thanked Cllrs Doddy and Plackett for the invitation to address the CAT Meeting.

# Appendix 2

#### Police statistics for last quarter compared to 2015/2016

Offence	23/11/2016 - 17/01/2017	23/11/2015 – 17/01/2016
Burglary	8	1
Burglary Other	3	8
Auto Crime	2	9
Criminal Damage	12	2
Robbery	0	0
Theft	3	1
Total	28	21

**Speeding** Police van has been out along Derby Road a number of times but no new statistics provided by Beat Team since December CAT meeting.

**Local Policing Update** - The Neighbourhood Policing team for the Stapleford cluster area has reduced to: PC 5 Sarah Warren

PC 5 Sarah Warren PC 3362 Hannah Kinsey PCSO 8043 Andy Freeman

Methods of contact for the local team can be found on the Nottinghamshire Police website <u>http://www.nottinghamshire.police.uk/neighbourhood/stapleford</u> or via Bramcote Today, under policing – Local Policing – Stapleford.

The Stapleford twitter account has been closed. You may follow @BeestonCops. The team still attend their Stapleford office but are based from Beeston so the best extn to dial is 101 extn 318 9987.

#### Stapleford/Bramcote/Trowell cluster – Two major changes:

- Change of focus to these community safety meetings away from setting three main priorities to community working together to proactively reduce crime and the fear of crime. Several reasons for this including zero surveys being completed in the previous two quarters. If you wish to influence police priorities, email details of your concerns to <u>broxtowe.southnpa@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk</u>
- 2. Amalgamation of the three South Broxtowe police clusters Stapleford, Chilwell and Beeston.

I have created a dedicated website for the new South Broxtowe Safer Communities Forum to assist in our aims. Like Bramcote Today, it offers a WordPress blog to enable community discussion about prevalent policing issues between police, councillors and community leads, including NHW. It also offers much static advice and links to relevant organisations and information. Unlike Bramcote Today, it is not intended to be promoted to the general public.

#### Bramcote NHW update

RVR Russley Rd, Valmont Rd & Rufford Ave <u>russleyvalmontrufford@hotmail.co.uk</u> Roger Jones and I continue to manage our three roads. If you live here and have internet access and not already receiving my updates, please email me. **Bramcote Hills** <u>bramcotemoornw@outlook.com</u> Thanks to Laurie Mason for his many years as Lead Coordinator. He has now retired and, in the absence of another volunteer, Steve Austin will be responsible for Bramcote Hills as well as Bramcote Moor. I'm sure he would welcome offers of help from residents.

Bramcote Moor <a href="mailto:bramcotemoornw@outlook.com">bramcotemoornw@outlook.com</a>

**Oaklands** <u>oaklands.nh.watch@ntlworld.com</u> Brian Hughes has also been unable to find a willing resident to take over.

Stanley Drive (incorporating Lyndale Road) <u>stanleydrivenhw@hotmail.com</u> Robbie Muir covers both of these roads.

Bramcote Village jo.starbuck@sky.com Jo tends to deal with issues as they arise.

"Lake District" <u>stephenpwillis@btinternet.com</u>. I have contacted Stephen but not received a response. Sadly, this large scheme that Rod Yarnell managed until his move, seems to not be in existence anymore. However, if you know differently, please contact me at <u>russleyvalmontrufford@hotmail.co.uk.</u>

Beeston Fields Drive choose to pay for private security and are not part of NHW.

# There is still funding to cover the setting up of new schemes throughout the county

of Nottinghamshire. If you are not part of an effective NHW scheme, elsewhere, and want to be, please contact <u>admin@nottswatch.co.uk</u>.

Nottinghamshire Neighbourhood Watch (NottsWatch)

Updates since December CAT meeting:

**Citizens in Policing Dept –** Their newsletter will be issued shortly and can be viewed from <u>http://www.nottinghamshire.police.uk/document/citizens-policing-newsletter</u> I have provided an update of NottsWatch's 2016 achievements and 2017 plans.

NottsWatch and Notts Police are enjoying a closer working relationship. We are working with their Comms and Crime Prevention teams. For further information, keep up to date by reading our minutes, uploaded to <u>www.nottswatch.co.uk</u> (About us).