

PEACEHAVEN & TELSCOMBE TOWNS REGENERATION PARTNERSHIP

Meeting held on Monday 15th April 2002 at
6.30pm at the Charles Neville Room, Meridian Centre, Peacehaven

Present: David Neighbour, East Sussex County Council, in the Chair
Pete Billin, Local Resident
Donald Shier, House Project - minutes
Sheila Chalmers, Local Resident
Mary Dunmore, Voluntary Sector
Roy Goodall, Telscombe Town Council
Liz Lee, Lewes District Council
Steve Keogh, Observer - Peacehaven Town Council Leisure and
Amenities Manager,
Andrew Wright, Deputy Head, Peacehaven Community School,
Observer.

(NB. The partnership is made up of named representatives of Local Councils, Business, Residents and the Voluntary Sector. Other people taking part in meetings are observers).

1. **Apologies** - Apologies for absence were received from: John Livings, County Councillor, John Carden, Local Business, Joanne Kidd, Observer - Meridian Leisure Centre, Wendy Bannatyne, Voluntary Sector, Sam Rowe, Voluntary Sector, Robin Olivier, Observer – Social Services, Owen Clifford, Lewes District Council.
2. **Minutes** - The minutes of the meeting held on 25th of March were agreed as accurate.
3. **Matters Arising:** Donald and Steve will contact the Peacehaven Town Clerk to ask about the Town Council's replacement representative for Daphne Carver.

INTERREG. Mary Dunmore and John Livings will take this forward.

4. Reports from the working groups.

a. Community Facilities Working Group. Verbal report. No major developments. Donald has received a reply from Cllr. Glazier about a replacement for Robin Olivier. He acknowledged receipt of the partnership and Community Facilities minutes and promises to reply in due course.

b. Transport Working Group. Verbal report. **Transport Study:** Donald has completed a first draft of this. Copies were available at the meeting. Partnership members are invited to give Donald any comments, at the House Project. David Neighbour asked why do 712s and 14s arrive at Peacehaven at the same time? Why not have more south coast road buses and a loop bus round here? There could be a nice bus shelter with better information, on the south coast road.

Highways: People are asked to send Donald lists of problems caused by paving stones, potholes, and obstructions to pavements and verges. DN will email John livings with this info. Also clarion. Roy Goodall will put in TC crier.

c. Sports and Leisure. Steve Keogh reported to the meeting on the Football Foundation funding bid. He is working with a representative of Peacehaven Football Club, Victoria Field. There are better relations now between the Football Club and the Town Council. VF said that the current committee will be standing down soon. A new committee is expected which should be more forward looking. There are now two parts to the bid. 1. Football Club: ground renovation. The club will have to do more towards providing the necessary information and planning for this. VF is working on this with Steve.

2. SK is pursuing a second bid for grass roots development of football in our area. This will include funding for a part time football development officer at the Town Council, making an all weather football pitch where the towns tennis courts are now and putting up fencing and floodlights for this. He is writing a business plan and getting quotes for works. He is writing to all clubs about what facilities they have and need.

A local resident wants to set up a tennis club with indoor courts. SK will help him with his business plan. It is hoped that the school's tennis courts could be available for adults in the community if we lose the other courts.

5 a side football tournament. SK is moving ahead with this. The games will be at Piddinghoe. The tournament will be for under 11s and 13s.

Cairo Avenue Integrated Playground Project: The land has almost been transferred to the Town Council. They are looking for sources of funding.

Swimming pool. No real progress has been made in securing funding for a swimming pool for Peacehaven and Telscombe. There was some general discussion about this. The new secondary school does not take children to swim. It is not in the curriculum, although it is for primary schools. Two local primary schools have very small pools. Joanne Kidd is not optimistic about Lewes District Council running our pool even if we can finance the capital costs.

Meridian Leisure Centre: There have been problems with car parking by teachers in the Leisure Centre Car Park. The school are hoping to get their own car park soon. They hope to use a long strip of ground, next to the buildings. This could take up to 40 cars.

d. Commercial and Retail: the meeting noted again that this is not meeting. DN will email JL to let him know that this needs attention. It was also noted that the Partnership had agreed previously to consider setting up a working group on fundraising. This is needed for to pay for support for the Partnership and to actually get money for the facilities our towns need. In the meantime the Education, Skills and Training Working Group will take on issues of job skills and training, and self employed people's needs for support and information.

e. Education, Skills and Training: The New Peacehaven Community School: There was a meeting between the school people and Sussex Downs College last Thursday. This was to look again at the school's restrictions on adult education classes at the school. East Sussex County Council, following representations by our partnership, initiated the meeting. This meeting has led to a more positive attitude from the school towards community use. David Brindley from Sussex Downs College will send them another list of adult education classes he wants to put on in the school. They will look at this more positively. Future developments will be reported via the working group.

Telscombe Civic Centre adult education classes have been very successful. The first round has ended. New ones will start up next term. The delay in opening the computer training room has been caused by protracted contract negotiations with Crash UK who will be running the facility. It should open in May. Language Schools will be hiring the top floor of the Civic Centre in July and August.

5. Review of Working Groups. This was retained for the next meeting's agenda.

6. Any Other Business. Farmer's Market. Caroline Adcock of the Sussex Rural Community Council knows a lot about this. So does someone called Janet Whitman. No one has offered to do anything about setting up a farmer's market.

Housing Development. David Neighbour reported that he has heard that the Government has decided that new housing will be allowed in Peacehaven. About 600 new homes have been allocated to the Peacehaven and Seaford area.

7. Date of Next Meeting: Monday 20th of May, in the Charles Neville Room at the Meridian Centre, 6.30pm.