

HENGROVE PARK FORUM
Notes of Meeting Tuesday 13th Oct 2009 7pm – 8.30pm
 The Scout Hut, Hengrove Park, Bamfield, Bristol

Present:	Apologies:
Andy Tyas, BCC (Chair) Pete Clarke, BCC Parks John King, Constellation Europe UK John Trotman, Constellation Europe UK Hilary Scriven, Whitchurch Scouts Cllr Mary Sykes, Hengrove Ward John Button, Elmtree Park Residents David Stevens, Elmtree Park Residents Chris Tarr, WAD Allan Whiteley, AHF, Whitchurch David Fowgies, Whitchurch Parks Jane Hewer, Local Resident Inspector Colin Salmon, Avon & Somerset Police Cllr Jos Clarke, Hengrove Ward Cllr Helen Holland, Whitchurch Park Ward Stella Shaw, BCC	Cllr Richard Eddy Cllr Royston Griffey Cllr Kevin Quartley Andrew McLean Gemma Collings Sean Parry

Content & Action:	Action Owner:
<p><u>PREVIOUS NOTES/MATTERS ARISING</u> <u>Notes 2nd June 2009</u>: Agreed <u>Matters Arising</u>:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fire incidents: Forum members update that a further fire incident had been reported to BCC/The Police. Discussion about fire hazard of green waste storage adjacent to the Scout Hut. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pete Clarke to liaise with Hilary Scriven with a view to setting up a meeting on site. 	PC
<p><u>PHASE 1 UPDATE</u></p> <p><u>City of Bristol College</u> AT update. On programme, and the building is progressing rapidly. Students will start September 2010. Staff and fit out over the Summer.</p> <p><u>Community Hospital</u> The final business case is still awaiting Department of Health approval. Start on site anticipated Jan/Feb 2010. Confirmed that the structure will now be traditional, rather than modular, build.</p> <p><u>Leisure Centre</u> Legal challenges are now settled and the project is proceeding. Some approvals still awaited. Start on site anticipated in the New Year.</p>	

Hospice

Negotiations have stopped.

Computershare

Negotiations have stopped. The council is not actively marketing the site.

Constellation

The council will recover possession of the site in Summer 2010. The RDA commissioned a feasibility study which has supported the idea of creating an adaptable TV & Film studio on the site, reflecting the interests of the market. The BBC & some commercial production companies have shown an interest and the RDA are keen to progress the idea and the conversion work is currently +being looked into. It will proceed in June 2010 if investment is in place/risks acceptable, otherwise the building will be demolished. SW Screen and commercial property consultants are advising the council.

John King from Constellation addressed the Forum on the current need for the removal of transportable and non-transportable assets from Constellation. John explained that the removal of certain items may generate temporary noise. The time of operation will be from 8am-6pm weekdays and is expected to be completed within 4-5 weeks. If any member of the public has any queries, John invited them to contact him on Mob:07785 361091.

Q: Will pollutants be released into the atmosphere?

A: The process will involve cold-cutting by hydraulic machines and no pollution will be caused.

Infrastructure Works

Of the five development plots supported by the infrastructure, two are still available. Work is nearing completion late Nov/early Dec 09. The traffic island lights are due to be switched on during w/c 19.10.09, and the cones will mostly be removed by the end of Nov. Site security has now been taken over by the Council's security services and will remain on site until after the Leisure Centre are on site (anticipated opening mid-2011.) Public access to the park will be restricted to ensure better security.

Public Art:

Plaza - Permanent installations are planned and will be signed off when the Leisure Centre begins construction.

Infrastructure - £120k has been banked to spend on Public Art in the remainder of the infrastructure project. Ideas will be linked to the Leisure Centre Public Art

programme and are currently looking towards including people through the programming of events. Possibilities will be explored through a process of engagement with the community.

Naming the Streets of the Development:

AT invited the Forum to be involved in the naming of development streets, which will be required before street-signs can be put in place. More information to follow.

Public Transport (PT):

Detailed planning is now underway. The full bus service will start in September 2010. The Council public transport team is working alongside the development partners, First Bus and Community Transport (CT) providers to produce a plan. There's £990k PT funding and £140k CT funding available. The aim is to achieve a 30 minute average bus journey time, with an average distance of 400m to the nearest bus stop. The Plan will be available to share with the Forum in Jan/Feb 2010. There will be a year's gap between the opening of the College and that of the next building, which will add to scheduling challenges.

Q: 400m is quite a distance for people who are going to hospital.

A: Some people may not be mobile enough to use PT but may qualify to use existing CT systems, but funding is very limited

Q: In relation to semi-ambulant people, who will make sure that the bus stops meet their needs?

A: Not all services will have full access but there will be showcase services coming into the Park.

- AT to report back to the Forum on the question of accessibility.

AT

Q: Regarding the pedestrian/cyclists road running currently between Hartcliffe Campus and Hengrove Park – is this still planned as a bus-only road?

A: Yes. The road won't be open to vehicles until busses start using it. There's a physical barrier across the entrance and signage/cameras will ensure cars don't use it.

Q: Will there be a fence to protect the wildlife area?

A: I will find out.

- AT to investigate and report back to the forum.

AT

**Next meeting: Tues Jan 26th 2010, 7-8.30 pm,
Bamfield Scout Hut**

