

# Hengrove Park Forum Notes of meeting

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2008  
7pm – 8.30pm

The Scout Hut, Hengrove Park, Bamfield, Bristol

Present	Present
Chris Tarr, Whitchurch Assisting Ray Andrews, Elmtree Park Residents John Button, Elmtree Park Residents Dave Stevens, EPRA Allan Whiteley, Area Housing Committee member Inspector Colin Salmon, Avon & Somerset Police Hilary Scriven, Scouts Brian Cooper, City of Bristol College Malcolm MacDonald, City of Bristol College Cllr Tim Kent, Cllr, Whitchurch Park E N Bowden, Filwood & Knowle Neighbourhood Group D Bowden, Filwood & Knowle Neighbourhood Group Chris Tarr, Whitchurch Assisting Development (WAD) Michelle Tarr, WAD James Lindsay, Constellation Europe Andy Tyas, BCC Stella Shaw, BCC	<b>Apologies:</b> Sue Walker, Hartcliffe Health and Environment Action Richard Mond, BCC Cllr Mary Sykes, Hartcliffe Ward Cllr Helen Holland, Leader, BCC

Content & Action	Action Owner
<b>1. Introductions</b>  Andrew Tyas (AT) opened the Forum with brief introductions by all those present.	
<b>2. Phase 1 Update</b>  AT gave a description of what's been happening on site at Hengrove Park i.e. commencement of the infrastructure and the appointment of contractors. The timetable for the commencement of the main contract in Jan 2009 was outlined and an update of contractual negotiations provided.  <b>Healthplex:</b> Still proceeding through planning, with a decision expected on 29 <sup>th</sup> October. Start of work on site is anticipated March/April 09.  <b>Hospital:</b> Minor slippage expected to start date on site, which will	

<p>be in March/April 09 rather than January.</p> <p><b>City of Bristol College:</b> Brian Cooper (Principal) stated that the contractors Cowlins would be starting on site on 27<sup>th</sup> October, anticipated finish 2010.</p> <p><b>Car-Park:</b> Management and charging regime still being negotiated. Healthplex and the hospital will share facilities. Still some issues to be discussed and further updates will be provided at the next meeting.</p> <p><b>Constellation Europe:</b> James Lindsay provided update on progress. Planning decision awaited imminently, and a positive result anticipated. Start date on site has been put back till after 1<sup>st</sup> November 2008, with anticipated end 2010. JL to liaise further Mr Bowden. SS to provide contact details.</p> <p><b>Crime, disorder and traffic:</b> Inspector Colin Salmon reported on a day-long meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> September arranged by the police to address disorder and traffic issues in relation to the Hengrove Park development. All the developers and Bristol City Council were represented. Aim to publish a Phase 1 action document.</p> <p><u>Bristol City Council, the Development Partners and the Police then took the following questions from the Forum on Phase 1:</u></p> <p><b>Partners</b></p> <p>Q: What courses will be taught at the Academy?  A: A large range of vocational courses for sixteen to nineteen year-olds. Basic literacy and numeracy will form part of many vocational courses.</p> <p>Q: If Computershare doesn't proceed for any reason will the rest of the project still continue?  A: Yes. The Hengrove Park project is not dependent on Computershare proceeding. Computershare is presently in the Planning process and is expected to present Hengrove Park proposals prior to this Christmas.</p> <p>Q: Can Computershare and Healthplex be invited to the next Forum meeting to attend to provide updates?  A: Yes, they will be invited to attend.</p> <p><b>Infrastructure</b></p> <p>(AT explained to the Forum that current temporary landscaping work in the Playpark, involving movement of topsoil, was planned to end on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October.)</p> <p>Q: What are the function of the posts and plastic sheets on the infrastructure site?  A: These are to enable slow worms, a protected species, to be</p>	<p>AT</p> <p>SS/JL</p> <p>CS</p> <p>AT</p>
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<p>caught and re-homed prior to vegetation clearance.</p> <p>Q: Variations of ground levels have been noticed on the site. How will these variations be managed in the construction of the four buildings?</p> <p>A: The design and construction plans have taken ground levels into account.</p> <p>Q: The actual rear boundary of the site which is now marked out differs from the plan originally circulated in the first newsletter.</p> <p>A: The boundary is temporary to create sufficient space for construction works. Once the works have completed the fence will be removed and the park reinstated.</p> <p><b>Car Park:</b></p> <p>Q: The forum raised concerns about charging plans for the hospital car park, and the need for an organised system if parking is to be free.</p> <p>A: BCC to obtain more information about this issue from the PCT and report to the forum.</p> <p><b>Budget</b></p> <p>Q: Is BCC's contingency fund adequate?</p> <p>A: Yes, as increases in sums budgeted have resulted from recent changes to favourable market conditions in appointing contractors.</p> <p>Q: S106 money. How much will be generated?</p> <p>A: Some planning is still to be agreed but it's predicted that bus routes will receive a £900k subsidy from S106, in addition to the £140k costs being provided for community transport. £600-700k is also being provided for public art in the infrastructure and the Plaza.</p> <p><b>Public Transport</b></p> <p>Q: Will busses be parking in Constellation's car-park.</p> <p>A: James Lindsay to investigate and provide more information by the next Forum.</p> <p><b>Traffic</b></p> <p>Q: What is the percentage increase in traffic around the site? Can the forum be provided with details of data which the council has used?</p> <p>A: BCC to make sure that this question is followed up and information on data used by BCC to be provided to the next Forum. BCC representatives from traffic management and car parking to be invited to attend the next Forum to provide answers to questions put at the Forum Traffic Sub-Group on 15<sup>th</sup> July, and to provide an update.</p> <p>Q: Press stories recently have picked up concerns about the impact on Hengrove of the Link Road project.</p> <p>A: Detailed consultation will take place next year but the Link Road is a separate project which will conduct its own studies and consultations which will "factor in" the Hengrove Park project.</p>	<p>AT</p> <p>AT</p>
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<p><b>3. HPF – Future meetings and Code of Conduct</b></p> <p>Frequency every two months on second Tuesdays.  Change in personnel: Lucy Darkin has left the project and that BCC communications are now being coordinated by Catherine Tuck.</p> <p>Code of Conduct: Lucy has begun the work of adapting the Code of Conduct for posting on the website. CT to follow this up for action. Agreed that the Forum continues to be for people representing community groups rather than individuals.  Continuation of consideration of Code of Conduct to be placed on the Agenda for the next Forum.</p>	<p>CT</p>
<p><b>4. Website Overview</b></p> <p>AT presented the Hengrove Park website (<a href="http://www.hengrovepark.com">www.hengrovepark.com</a>) demonstrated all links leading to information available on all aspects of the development as well as future planned additions and updates. He referred the Forum to the "What's New" section for quick updates and the BCC Helpline (Tel: 0800 073 0559.)</p>	
<p><b>5. Actions from the last meeting.</b></p> <p>AT circulated copies of the proof of the planned Newsletter to be circulated to the public later this month.  John Button to circulate 100 newsletters.  Jane Hewer to circulate 50-100 newsletters asap. SS to forward copies.</p>	<p>JB  SS/JH</p>
<p><b>6. AOB</b>  None</p>	
<p><b>7. Next meeting: Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2008, 7-8.30pm  Bamfield Scout Hut.</b></p>	