

King's Lynn St Margaret's with St Nicholas Ward Forum

Quarterly Forum Meeting 7pm, November 15th 2017

Marriott's Warehouse, South Quay

Minutes

1. Professor Brian Falconbridge opened the meeting and welcomed the speaker, Paula Hall, chief executive of the Purfleet Trust.
2. Paula gave a most informative, enlightening and comprehensive account of the work of the Purfleet Trust. The main points:
 - rise in the number of homeless
 - provision within the day centre
 - 33 clients now in paid employment
 - volunteering – currently 37 volunteers in a variety of roles
 - currently 67 homeless
 - independent living coaching
 - establishing night shelter for the winter with Churches Together
 - food partners
 - funeral service provision
 - computers to access information

Questions were taken from the floor

3. Quarterly Forum Meeting

- a) Apologies: Julian Litten, Tony and Sue Williams, Mike Brindle, Diana Fox Brindle, Paul Richards, John and Jill Fysh, Heather bolt, Burt Greene, Ann Philips, Sue Nulty, Valerie Brown, Lee Bramzell, Claire Cook, Elizabeth Harrison
- b) Notification of conflict of interest: – none
- c) Minutes of the last meeting: – Signed as a true record
- d) It was pointed out by L Bambridge that there had been two volunteers from the Forum membership for speedwatch – police advised this could not be done in the London Road area.
- e) Chairman's report: see notes from LB in extra item h)b
- f) Discussion questions: Following discussion the forum took the view that local wishes regarding the questionnaire (which in itself was flawed) had been ignored and that further consultation is essential.
- g) Finance report: Currently the account stands at £5,898.64

h) Defibrillator: BFVWN Clinical Division group and East Anglian Ambulance Service have been contacted but no response as yet. Defibrillators are available in the town but not accessible to the public outside shopping hours. Margaret Worledge reported that a defibrillator has been installed in the Methodist church. J Rodwell explained that the British Heart Foundation will help finance the purchase of a defibrillator which would cost approx. £2200 + an annual maintenance fee. Volunteers would be needed to maintain this. The forum expressed an interest in pursuing the purchase of a defibrillator. It was felt that the idea needs coordinating to provide a firm strategy for moving forward. LB to make enquiries at the council.

h)b Extra item from Councillor Lesley Bambridge

The Townscape Heritage bid will now not include London Road and Friars Area. It will now be for Railway Road, Blackfriars Road and the gyratory system. This was proposed by HLF as a more appropriate division. The BCKLWN funding will be £1,400,000

BCKLWN is putting together an Investment Prospectus for £120m for the Waterfront redevelopment - to be renamed Nelson Quay

KL Transport Strategy being undertaken by NCC with additional funding from BCKLWN (Business Rates Pool). This may be where the opening up of Hardings Way could be proposed to help reduce poor air quality and congestion on London Road for example. Probably will start in early 2018 with final document in Spring 2019. This would require a Traffic Regulation Order - 3 - 6 months so we are talking late 2019 early 2020. There will be a period of public consultation.

The BID (Business Improvement District) has a website Discover King's Lynn. They will be holding a Christmas Market on December 7 from 3 to 8pm.

i) Excessive Noise from Events: Sally has written to Environmental Health to enquire about medical guidelines for excessive noise.

J) Topics for Discussion from the floor: Sally has contacted the owners regarding the old tavern sign outside Wennis, which is believed to be a listed item. She has received no reply as yet.

The meeting closed at 8:45pm

The date for the next meeting has been set for February 7th at 7pm