

Dalton Development Partnership
Minutes of the Meeting held 19th May 2008
In the Town Hall, Station Road, Dalton in Furness at 6.20pm

Present

G Thomson – Dalton Traders Association V Robinson – Furness Enterprise
S Geldart – Dalton Town Council T Bell – Barrow Borough Council
W Smith – Cumbria County Council P Huck – Barrow Borough Council
F Thomson – Secretary

Agenda Item		<u>Action</u>
1	<p>Apologies For Absence D O'Connor – Dowdales School A Greenhalgh – Cumbria County Council</p>	
2	<p>Declarations of Interest There were no Declarations of interest</p>	
3	<p>Minutes of the Previous Meeting and Matters Arising</p> <p>It was agreed that the chairman be authorised to sign the minutes as a true record.</p> <p>Matters Arising</p> <p>(a) Highways Improvements to Gateways – No feedback from Highways yet, GT to follow up with Capita</p> <p>(b) It was brought to the attention of members that Councillor Tim Bell was replacing Dorothy James as the Barrow Borough Council representative to the DDP</p> <p>(c) Traders Association Marketing Strategy – Members were requested to have their respective organisations comments on the marketing strategy in writing for the next meeting.</p>	GT
4.	<p>Rural Projects Steering Group</p> <p>WS and FT gave a brief verbal report to members on progress made by the rural projects worker on current projects. Land to the rear of the Leisure Centre – a formal response to use of the land at the rear of the leisure centre was still awaited. PH reported that he had concerns at the chosen site due to difficulty in monitoring/poling of the area.</p> <p>Railway Station – work at the station has progressed extremely well and work is almost completed.</p>	

	<p>WS reported that the project worker may be required to look at a new project to work on if the MUGA is delayed. Members to put forward suggestions at the next meeting.</p> <p>FT is to check if feasibility study for the MUGA is available for members.</p>	FT
5.	<p>Public Relations</p> <p>Medieval Market – It was pointed out that the Evening Mail had run a good focus on Dalton featuring the Medieval Market.</p> <p>Railway Station – Sharon Pyatt will be producing a press release about work carried out at the station but would tie this in with the official ‘re-launch’. Members requested that the press release be distributed before it was issued to the Evening Mail.</p>	
6.	<p>Land to the rear of the Leisure Centre</p> <p>This was dealt with at agenda item 4.</p>	
7.	<p>Railway Station</p> <p>This item was dealt with at agenda item 4.</p>	
8.	<p>Public Spaces</p> <p>WS reported that he had received complaints about the land at the picnic area at Goose Green. Groups congregated there in an evening and litter was frequently left. PH is to arrange for this to be cleared as it is Borough Council land.</p> <p>Land to side of Brocklebanks – unadopted piece of land used as access for neighbouring properties. PH is to inspect.</p>	PH
9.	<p>Future Projects</p> <p>Possibility of Gateways being a future project and also youth provision on Estate. Members were requested to consider the objectives in the strategic review and raise 1 item each at the next meeting.</p>	
10.	<p><u>Correspondence</u></p> <p>(a) Dalton Town Council – Letter informing members that Steven Geldart would be replacing Dermot O’Connor as the Town Council rep to the DDP</p> <p>(b) Dalton Town Council – DDP Committee members This was deferred to the next meeting</p> <p>(c) Mr J Titcomb – Letter from a member of the public regarding various issues. <u>Dog fouling</u> – ask for information on who may be responsible for not ‘picking up’ after their dog, details can be</p>	

	<p>passed Environmental Health for enforcement action.</p> <p><u>Youth Issues/disorder</u> The proposed MUGA will help address youth issues, Mr Titcombes comments will also be forwarded to Dalton Community Association who have responsibility for the youth workers.</p> <p><u>Repairs to Railway Bridge at Station Road</u> – The Town Council have written to Network Rail regarding this work and will report back when information is available.</p>	
11.	<p>Finance</p> <p>Petty Cash of £50 has been provided to the Probation Team for small items they require on site. No further movement on the Fund.</p>	
12.	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>(a) Election of Vice Chairman – Dermot O’Connor was the Vice Chairman however as he has now been replaced as the Town Council Rep it would be necessary to appoint a new vice-chairman. Steven Geldart was duly appointed as the vice chairman.</p> <p>(b) Youth Worker – e mail received from Lisa Robinson, DCA youth worker requesting to attend future meetings of the DDP. Following discussion it was agreed that Ms Robinson be informed that the DCA already has full representation, however the DCA could nominate her if Margaret Martindale was unable to attend.</p> <p>(c) Furness Enterprise Business Forum – VR reported that the provisional date for the forum was 15th July at Dowdales School. It was suggested that the DDP have a stand at the event, this is to be discussed at the next meeting.</p>	
13.	<p>Date and Time of Next Meeting</p> <p>Monday 23rd June 6pm</p>	