

Longlevens Neighbourhood Partnership.
Minutes of meeting held 4th Sept 2012.

1	Warm welcome given and apologies received. Representatives present from Longlevens Guides and Longlevens U12 AFC
2	<u>Police update-</u> P.C. Andy Plant reported statistical breakdown for period July-Sept. (see attached report) PC Susan Lovell(Gallop)will be returning from Maternity leave at end of October. Community Sargent Tim Wood is joining the team and it is hoped that he would be able to come along to the next meeting. Concerns were raised about the rear ground of Holy Trinity Church which seem to attract groups of people and some evidence of drug use there. A SARA plan to be implemented for this area.
3	<u>Glos City Council Update.</u> David Pritchett advised that the two bins recently placed at Library and grass area of Old Cheltenham Road, have been greatly used. It is hoped that the dead tree on grass area by BP garage will be removed and the LNP have requested that this area to be considered for Wild Flower planting. A week long campaign was undertaken at Plock Court, o see how many people used this area and their thoughts on the wetland area. The data obtained will now be processed. Plock Court has now been declared a protected open Space along with Robinswood Hill/Park and Gloucester Park. Previous concerns about uncut hedges and grass now seems to be improving.
4	<u>Glos County Council</u> -Report attached. July & August seem to be quiet months. The new Fire Station on edge of our area, will also be holding their own Open day, which we believe will be towards end of this Month.
5	<u>Councillors Report</u> – Kathy Williams reported that the Flood elevation system is working well, but there was a small problem by King Teddy with recent heavy rainfall. There continues to be a emergency Plan in force for our area, so if any problems should arise they will be dealt with swiftly. Newsletters are currently being delivered around our area. Concerns were raised that Insurance Companies were continuing to put high premium on area due to flooding risk, and it was asked whether the Flood Elevation system had been registered. All houses that were affected should have received a letter about the Elevation System that they could produce to Insurance Companies.
6	Treasurer report - Paul Prouse produced accounts for period April-July(Copy attached) He is also applying to have our Partnership registered as a charity, and to obtain Gift Aid status. Application has been made to Glos.City Council for core funding, we have not yet heard of their decision. Mini Bus accounts have now been separated from main partnership account, both are now running independently with their own bank accounts. Our current Insurance does not

allow for Private Hire, so our revenue has dramatically been reduced, and we will need to seek ways of generating extra funds. Concerns were raised about the charge implemented for use of vehicle, especially when needed for youth activities. The Partnership acknowledged this concern and officers will look into this. It was also suggested that the mini bus be used by Commercial Businesses and a rate charged for this. Further investigation into this will be taken up by Don Meechan and reported back.

7 **Partnership update** – David Blewitt Jenkins expressed his thoughts on more general activity in Longlevens, open discussion seemed to favour a Community Day, where all local organisations/business etc could get involved. It is hoped that a Task Group could be set up to look further into this possibility and funds sought from Glos.City Council as a local project once all information obtained. It was suggested that we needed a area where facilities were already available such as Bar and Toilets and large enough for various stalls and groups to do a display. Longford Lane playing fields seemed more suitable as the venue. (If you would like to get involved with this project and be part of the task group please get in touch with Sandra on 505653.)It is hoped that we can start to look into this within the next month or two.

A presentation and BBQ evening will be taking place on Sat.22nd September, at Longlevens Community Centre 7-9pm where LNP will be handing over cheques to 5 local organisations that applied for funding up to £250 from our Youth Money The successful organisations are: Martial Arts, Guides, Scouts , Focus Youth Group, and U12 football team. All of whom have been granted £200.00 each. If you wish to attend this event please put your name forward , it is hoped to have final numbers by the 12th Sept. for catering purposes.

Next Committee Meeting Tuesday 6th November. 7.30 Committee Room. Longlevens Community Centre.

8 Meeting Closed.