

Fullers Slade Resident Steering Group Meeting
MINUTES
 Wednesday 25th March 2020 8.00pm – 9.00pm
Virtual meeting – First week of Covid-19 lock down

ATTENDEES

Residents

Sylvia Airs (SA) Chair	Weavers Hill	Council Tenant
Heather Jones (HJ) Vice-Chair	Moorfoot	Council Tenant
Krystle Cookson (KC)	Weavers Hill	Council Tenant

PPCR

Christina Byrne (CB)
 Pamela Kovachich (PK)

1.	<p>Introductions & Apologies</p> <p>CB welcomed all to this first virtual meeting and wished everyone well, during this difficult time.</p> <p>No apologies were received. CB/PK to speak with other members to check if they have internet access in order to use Zoom, for future virtual meetings.</p>	CB/PK
2.	<p>Agree to ToR and CoC</p> <p>Agreed.</p>	
3.	<p>Minutes of February RSG meeting</p> <p>Paper copies of the minutes were not available, so CB read through the matters arising. It was agreed that since only 3 of the group were present, PPCR would send the minutes out again and revise the Final version based on any comments received before sending to MKC.</p>	PK
4	<p>Procurement update - provided by Mim to Sylvia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New regen manager will start April 1st. • Aniekan's replacement will start May 19th as Head of Regeneration. <p>Aniekan is off sick and is due to leave on April 4th.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding of Design Stage – Mark Halsall and Martin Stannels are working to put in an application for the funding required for this to proceed. 	

	They are currently working to the existing programme but cannot recruit further staff until it is clear that the project is not being put on hold.	
5.	<p>Council response - Covid-19 lockdown</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members await details of next steps from Council in terms of regeneration and refurbishment works post Covid-19 • Council staff will work from home where this is feasible and are still contactable 	
6.	<p>Portacabin</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fareshare is on hold although they are continuing to work within the community. The Group suggested that the portacabin could be used as a drop-off point and food could be stored in the fridge as required – but this will be up to the Council to decide and organise access. • Michael Kelleher stated that he is working with other relevant council officials to establish a MK wide strategy for emergency food distributions. There are already a few groups distributing food such as Food Bank, and Community Fridge and MK Council are looking into how they can all work together in some way to ensure wide and fair distribution. • Update on generator – the generator has not yet been removed as a license is required. • During this crisis, the community will not be able to use the portacabin. 	
7.	<p>Facebook page</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There have been a few posts regarding vulnerable residents and actions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – A single mum with 2 or 3 children who has agoraphobia and can't go out – The FSRA (Bianca) is collecting/ distributing food and now working with the Council's vulnerable people section • Sylvia is happy to monitor the Facebook page and signpost as appropriate, but there has been very little activity and none relating to regeneration. 	
8.	<p>Repairs and maintenance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tenants will still be able to report issues as normal, although Mears will be finishing what they've started. Mears will only respond to emergencies during COVID-19 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kitchen and bathroom replacement work that have been started will be completed, but no more will be started until the lockdown is over. • It was suggested that PPCR should ring around the estate – where they have phone numbers - and check whether there are any issues that need to be acted on/referred to the Council. 	CB/PK
9.	<p>Impact of lockdown</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SA fears that schools will now be off until September and that this will put a huge pressure on families and vulnerable people. She is home schooling her granddaughter and will need to step back from the RSG during the lockdown as will HJ who has recently lost her husband. PPCR will still maintain contact where appropriate. 	
10.	<p>PPCR's role during lock down</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contacting residents – covered above. • Assessing training needs and developing appropriate training materials. • Draft a work plan for the RSG for discussion when the group reconvenes. • Organise Virtual RSG meetings as appropriate – starting with the monthly session. • Keep up telephone contact with SA and HJ. • Update the Resident Charter to inform new Regeneration staff and consultants going forward. • Seek interest from residents in engagement activity going forward 	
11.	AOB	
	None	

Next meeting –

A virtual meeting will be offered for Wednesday 29th April 2020