Ward Update - Weetslade 24th March 2015

1. Western Terrace, Dudley

The site is in the ownership of Delaval Plant Hire who has indicated that they have a private buyer for their site. The site is allocated as a preferred housing development site in the 2015 Local Plan Consultation Draft which could accommodate up to 14 new homes (this scale of development having been granted permission back in 2005).

2. Dudley & Weetslade Club

The council is in the process of purchasing this site. The site would be suitable for housing development and could be identified as a preferred site in the forthcoming Local Plan Consultation Draft now that there is more certainty that the site will be available for development during the plan period.

3. Dudley & District Club

This site was recently up for sale at auction but it did not sell. The council has discounted this site for the development of affordable homes itself but it remains identified as a potential housing development site in the 2015 Local Plan Consultation Draft.

4. Miners Institute, Dudley

We understand that Owen Pugh may have acquired this site but no information as to their intentions for it

5. Seaton Burn Welfare

Barmoor Ltd are working with their appointed planning consultants NLP to agree a strategy to keep the current planning consent for the golf and football complex live". Barmoor Ltd are committed to moving the scheme forward and are in negotiations with Direct Golf UK to develop a driving range facility for their occupation, unfortunately previous discussions had to be put on hold due to the recession however Direct Golf UK have recently secured new investment and are now in a position to move forward.

Barmoor Ltd made a substantial investment to obtain the original consent which took over 3 years of negotiations with the local authority to secure, therefore the company remains committed to moving the scheme forward.

6. Indigo Park

Indigo Park is an 82 acre development site offering the opportunity for bespoke manufacturing and distribution buildings. The site is one of the largest in the north and can offer units ranging in size from 40,000 sq ft to 1.5 million sq ft, allowing North Tyneside to compete for larger inward investment and relocation projects.

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Two firms of commercial agents, ES Group and Knight Frank, have been appointed by the developers Highbridge and the site is currently being marketed to potential occupiers, regionally and nationally. Along with developers and agents, the council is represented on the Indigo Park marketing group which meets monthly.

7. Shasun

Shasun Pharmaceuticals, headquartered in Chennai, India, has recently merged with Strides Arcolab, based in Bangalore. Management at Shasun Pharma Solutions in Dudley report that the two companies are complementary and the new structure could open up business opportunities for the local site.

Following on from a meeting in November between the company and the Mayor, Cabinet member, MP and senior officers, the council is working closely with the local management team to explore these opportunities and to facilitate any support necessary. Three such projects are currently being progressed.

8. Horses

A number of horses are being kept on land belonging to Barmoor in Seaton Burn. The council is working with the land owner and partners to consider animal welfare issues. The land owner has the right to move the horses on and there has been a report of one of the horses dying.

9. Lift at White Swan Centre

The lift is currently out of order at the White Swan Centre meaning Killingworth Customer Services have temporarily relocated into the library to avoid access issues for customers having to walk up 3 flights of stairs. A full range of services are still available, however they are unable to offer private interview rooms.

10. Big Spring Clean

The council has launched the Big Spring Clean Campaign (9 March to 29 May). As part of the "Estate Clean Up" initiative, the campaign invites businesses, schools and resident's to organise their own clean up events across the borough. The aim of the campaign is to encourage communities to take pride in their environment and raise awareness through working in partnership with internal and external agencies.

The council has introduced a litter blitz team to tackling litter hotspots across the borough, the seasonal team have commenced the litter removal programme and this will continue until the end of March.

A new neighbourhood delivery team has been created bringing together estate caretakers and local environmental services teams to deliver a more co-ordinated approach to service delivery in estates.

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