

# **Audit of Community Level Infrastructure**

in the

## **Neighbourhood Renewal Areas in Brighton and Hove**

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### **Glossary of Terms used in the tables**

CC	Community Centre
CR	Community Room
C	Church Hall
COI	Community of Interest
L	Library
H	Hospital/PCT building
S	School
SC	Sports Centre
T	Town Hall

## Introduction

This audit was commissioned by the Local Strategic Partnership (LSP) in Brighton & Hove (20:20 Community Partnership) to identify the levels of community infrastructure in the fifteen Neighbourhood Renewal areas across Brighton and Hove.

The Trust for Developing Communities, in undertaking the work, decided to identify the presence, or otherwise, of six key indicators of community capacity to engage with Neighbourhood Renewal and other regeneration programmes. These are:

- Representative Community Association or Forum
- Multi Agency Forum (or Neighbourhood Management Group)
- Community Newspaper
- Community Development/Capacity Building worker
- Neighbourhood Action Plan or similar recent research report
- Community Buildings

The aim is to have one accessible document, which will enable resources to be targeted at the areas which are most in need of support/community development and which lack basic infrastructure.

If a community has a good level of infrastructure there is enormous benefit both to local people, service providers and the Council. For the community there is a chance to take responsibility and be actively involved in local decision-making. This leads to improved outcomes for service providers in the area, as they can receive feedback directly on their services and make appropriate adjustments to them. Locally-determined community groups are excellent at reaching people who are not part of traditional activities. This means an active community can tackle issues around unemployment and regeneration in a way that it is not possible for mainstream providers to. This creation of a sense of ownership in the community has a powerful effect on achieving real local democracy. Active communities are also shown to be very good at attracting external money into their areas.

Neighbourhood Renewal Funding in Brighton & Hove was initially directed at two communities in Brighton and Hove. These were those living on the Hollingdean estate and the residents of the Kingswood and Milner flats. Later Tarner and Phoenix were added to the latter area as they are the adjacent communities to the Kingswood and Milner flats. This is now called the Tarner Neighbourhood Renewal Area.

Later seven more geographic areas were selected as having high levels of need. These make up the nine priority areas for Neighbourhood Renewal action:

- Bevendean
- Bristol Estate
- Brunswick and Regency
- Hangleton, Knoll, Laburnum and Moyne

- Portland Road and Clarendon
- Portslade
- Queens Park and Craven Vale

Six more neighbourhoods were identified as disadvantaged, to make up the total of fifteen identified Neighbourhood Renewal areas:

- Coldean
- Hollingbury
- Meadowview
- St James's/Kempton
- St Peter's
- Woodingdean

In the Neighbourhood Renewal Strategy 27 neighbourhoods were identified for action. These were consolidated into the 15 outlined above in a process undertaken by the Neighbourhood Renewal sub group that reports to the LSP 2020 Community Partnership. For example Regency and Brunswick were combined, as were Hangleton and Knoll and Laburnum and Moyne. This allowed for the prioritising of nine neighbourhoods which all received Neighbourhood Renewal funds to allow a NAP (Neighbourhood Action Plan) to be drawn up for the respective areas.

## **Issues for consideration/further work**

### ***Boundaries***

There is definite potential for confusion over geographical boundaries. The Local Authority is concerned with ward boundaries, for obvious reasons. Many of the neighbourhoods under review form only part of established wards; and some areas will cross several ward boundaries.

Local people tend to define their areas by reference to major roads and other landmarks. The boundaries to which community associations work are often different to the ward boundaries. Often long established Community Associations will work to past ward boundaries and, because their area of benefit is defined in their Constitution, it is not often a priority to change their boundaries, especially when their existing area works for them. If they are Registered Charities, changing their 'Area of Benefit' will not be easy.

Neighbourhood Renewal has, for its specific purposes, drawn another different set of boundaries. Some of these relate to fairly separate communities e.g. Brunswick and Regency. Other funders e.g. Sure Start have also drawn boundaries either around areas of deprivation or to fit into other related priorities.

A gap that was uncovered in the work for this report was in the Bristol Estate, where an area of housing association properties is not included in either the adjacent eb4U or the Bristol Estate Neighbourhood Renewal area.

This report will attempt to illustrate the different boundaries in existence, area by area.

### ***Representative Community Organisations***

Another issue encountered is: What constitutes a Representative Community Organisation? In some areas, there is one clear organisation, which consults its membership and then acts accordingly. In other areas a variety of organisations come together under a Community Association umbrella. In other parts of the city, the only active representative groups are Tenants' Associations, which are often, but not always, primarily concerned with the housing environment. For effective community engagement a fully representative, open Community Organisation (generally either a 'Community Association' or a 'Forum') is needed and this often requires some worker support.

Frequently Community Associations have, as their main focus, the management of a community building. As this is a fairly demanding function, there is often not the capacity for that kind of Association to do much representative work. Indeed the structure and processes of these Community Associations can make the representative function almost impossible. Some Community Associations, or neighbourhood areas, have addressed this by adopting a 'Forum' model. This is one way of actively enabling participation and, thereby, representation. This would mean regular, well-advertised, open meetings with an elected management group taking the issues forward between open meetings. The main consideration is that they are community-led; that public service providers participate on an invitation basis and, unlike a Multi Agency Forum, they are not part of the decision-making process. Other associations are organised into sub groups, which tackle the various functions for which the Community Association would like to be responsible.

This also raises the issue that some areas are too small to operate effectively on their own. For example the Bristol Estate only has 368 households and would probably want to be a part of a multi agency forum looking at a wider area; although for this to be most effective they would need to consider their own solutions. It is certainly more difficult to ensure representation in these small areas as there simply is not the pool of volunteers that is required to get the work done.

For this report we have attempted to list Community Associations and Forums only. We have not attempted a total audit of Tenants' groups. However some of the Tenants' groups may already be performing most of the functions of a Community Association and some of the Community Associations may not be doing so much of this representative type work. A Community Association constitution allows tenants to work with other residents who are not council tenants but who live in the same geographical area or 'estate'.

With the notable exception of Woodingdean, the six areas which have not received Neighbourhood Renewal funding have not got the capacity really to perform a representative function.

### ***Multi Agency Forums***

These are generally only present in areas that have received significant amounts of Neighbourhood Renewal/Regeneration funding. This is mainly because the funds provide a focus and rôle for such a group. Certainly, for resident representatives to engage at this level requires a fair amount of confidence and it may be, in some areas, that residents choose to participate in different structures in order to engage with regeneration. There is no doubt however that there is a huge benefit to all stakeholders in a community if good partnership working is achieved. Multi Agency Forums do not have a good success rate where a sufficiently strong community representation group does not already exist. In those situations residents, it seems, soon find themselves 'outnumbered' and 'out-listened to' by the public service provider officials; and they soon stop attending.

**This report is not an evaluation** and it may well be that more support is necessary to ensure meaningful representation, even in areas which appear to have a representative group, or, indeed, that support is required for them to develop that representation as an additional role. This report aims to list what is currently in place in terms of community infrastructure as defined by the presence or otherwise of key indicators.

**The most common support request from the neighbourhoods is for the kind of support that would be provided by a Community Development Worker. This can be evidenced by the priorities drawn up at two Neighbourhood Conferences and from conversations with Community Associations that took place during the research for this report.**

The presence of community development workers should ensure that all the features of good infrastructure are present, with the exception of community buildings. Where inadequate premises are available for use by the community it should be a key part of the worker's remit to help develop the necessary facilities; however this is often a long-term goal and can be difficult to achieve. When funding community development work it should be clear that the expectations from funders are that community infrastructure will be built.

It is hard to imagine good community development occurring without needs analysis, a representative organisation and the ability to communicate within the community. In all bar the Brunswick area, the presence of community development workers in an area has ensured that this basic level of community capacity building has been achieved. Brunswick only lacks a representative community organisation but it does have a resident-led management committee for the Brunswick Community Development Project itself. Of the six areas that have not received Neighbourhood Renewal funding, none

has a community development worker to support the development and sustainability of community infrastructure.

It is also important to note that in creating or changing community structures, in order to get people involved, the development worker will have to start with the community's priorities. This is not just about starting 'where people are at', it's about building a process that they are interested in and see as relevant to themselves. This is especially important when the aim is to engage the most excluded people. Grassroots community development support is essential for building genuine participation in community infrastructure. 'Grassroots' activities are often more about leisure than participation *per se*. A good example of this might be an arts group that progresses to putting on a community festival, which then becomes part of a wider regeneration initiative. It is difficult to start engaging people who have never been involved in any community work' in activities that look boring or totally unfamiliar to them. Community development really is an individual as well as a collective process of engagement. Sometimes service providers are not able to deliver the things people would like to have, and creating groups that meet these needs has a range of outcomes. These range from the provision of a service to the community e.g. parent and toddler group and, for the committee, their participation in the management of the group being a first step in gaining skills and accessing training.

### ***Community Development workers***

Our project for this report included an audit of Community Development workers *and* Capacity Building workers.

Most workers are funded to a specific remit and are time-limited, and where this information was available it has been included. This is particularly relevant when considering the needs of an area that has no generic community development support because workers who are funded, for example, to work only with one section of the community may well have different outcomes than community infrastructure to consider. There should be some ability to taper support in an area once initial structures are in place. However nearly all structures do require some level of ongoing support – particularly in the most deprived/least economically mixed communities. It is also the case that having a worker can reveal new areas of unmet need within a community that had not been identified previously. A good example of this would be the lack of adequate childcare provision to enable carers to access volunteering or training opportunities.

When using this document to assess the level of additional worker support an area needs, it is important to consider the outcomes required by the funder as well as the remits for the workers who are already working in that area. In areas with no workers it is possible to write a programme of work from scratch; in other areas it may be possible to fund additional outcomes for the existing workers. This is particularly necessary when expanding the rôle of Community Associations/Forum's because the level of support to expand participation can need to be quite high initially.

There is a potential rôle for the new Community Support Worker in Neighbourhood Renewal to consider a simple evaluation of the community organisations that they support. If a list of features of good representation could be identified, it would allow other Community Associations to be judged and the necessary support given. For example, the ways in which Community Associations communicate with the wider community is a good indication of how representative they are. Do they advertise and make their meetings accessible? Do they actively encourage participation through wider open meetings?

A limitation of this Mapping/Audit project is that other, related, workers were not considered and it would be productive to look at the support to geographical communities offered by 'community of interest' workers. These include workers funded by the Church, who work across Brighton and Hove. There are also outreach Adult Learning workers who have some sort of community development remit, as have some Neighbourhood Renewal-funded Youth Workers as well as other workers funded to work with specific communities of interest.

Organisations such as the Working Together Project, the Resource Centre, The Trust for Developing Communities and the Scarman Trust all offer support to Neighbourhood Infrastructure and grassroots Community Development. These organisations together with the Community and Voluntary Sector Forum (CVSF), Sussex Community Internet Project (SCIP) and the Volunteer Bureau form an organisation called WIN (Workers Infrastructure Network). WIN is currently mapping all the organisations' outreach work in both neighbourhood communities and communities of interest. The contact for this work is Duncan Blinkhorn at the CVSF, telephone number 234000.

## **General overview of the fifteen Neighbourhood Renewal areas (The nine priority areas are listed first)**

### ***Bevendean***

Historically, Bevendean has lacked both community development support and community infrastructure. This is now being addressed through Neighbourhood Renewal-funded schemes. One huge gap in Bevendean is the lack of meeting space available to the community. There is also a dearth of community-based facilities and services both public and private. The plans for the development of a community centre have now been drawn up by an architect. This process has been facilitated by the Trust for Developing Communities and managed by a Buildings Group, which is a sub-group of the Action for Bevendean (ABC) Community Forum. A community development worker, to be employed and managed by the TDC, will start in Summer 2004 and will take these building plans forward and further develop community capacity.

### ***Bristol Estate***

There has been very little support or activity in this area for a long time and it has had no development support other than from the CPO (Housing Community Participation Officer).

The Neighbourhood Action Plan (NAP) process allowed for some community development time, which was used to re-form the Community Association. This area definitely needs longer-term community development support to flourish and to get the community newspaper and other aspects of neighbourhood level infrastructure really going. This is the conclusion of the consultants (Andy Silsby and Graham Allen) who have been working there. It should, however, be noted that this is a very small area and only a very small number of groups could be sustainable with such a small number of available potential activists. There may be potential for support for this area to be provided on a part time basis.

### ***Brunswick and Regency***

Regency has not had much community development support. It is a notoriously difficult community to define geographically because of its location in the town centre. This also means that the population is amongst the most transient in Brighton and Hove.

The town centre is the home of many voluntary and community organisations but not many of them are working solely with the local population, and certainly not in terms of community capacity building.

Crossing the two wards is the BME work managed by the Brunswick Community Development Project. There is no representative Community Association/Forum in either area.

### ***Hangleton, Knoll, Laburnum and Moyne.***

This area has had a long history of community development stretching back to 1984. All the features of a well-empowered community with a full range of local infrastructure are present, along with the ability to engage meaningfully with regeneration and renewal. The Hangleton and Knoll Project continues to support and facilitate the community and is increasingly involved in meeting the needs of young people on the estates via youth work initiatives.

### ***Hollingdean***

Hollingdean has had community development support for seven years and a Neighbourhood Renewal funded programme for three years. This has ensured that community infrastructure has been developed and the community is well placed to engage with regeneration and renewal.

### ***Portland Road and Clarendon***

This area has had support in different ways for a number of years but it has not always been consistent or well funded. Currently, Hove YMCA employs a part-time Community Development Worker for the area of Portland Road and Poets Corner and another worker to support the Vallance Community Centre (a small shop front premises).

The Poets Corner Residents' Society has been particularly successful in involving the local Black and Minority Ethnic community and the new 'Talk Shop', funded through Neighbourhood Renewal, will be a significant development in the area.

Overall, a good basic infrastructure has been developed but there are questions about the sustainability of the funding to support it.

### ***Portslade***

This is a very large area. It has benefited from long-term community development (around 8 years) and a number of community groups are active in the area. The area is still understood by the community as two areas, South and North and they are two electoral wards. Increasingly, joint working is helping to bring the two halves together. The North does not have a Community Association/Forum as such, while the South has the Community Association Portslade South (CAPS). The North however, has a number of residents' associations.

### ***Queens Park & Craven Vale***

There has been a fair amount of youth-focused community work in this area over the last four to five years and a Neighbourhood Renewal-funded Community Development Worker has been engaged since April 1<sup>st</sup> 2004, seconded to the TDC. The area has developed most aspects of a 'neighbourhood infrastructure' in this period, with the major omission being a community building.

The community building project will be a long-term ongoing piece of work due to the difficulties with available sites, although the employment of a Community Development Worker will enable the local representative forum to be supported through this process.

Funding from the Council's Housing Department's Estates budget and Neighbourhood Renewal is allowing a temporary solution by the refurbishment of a 'hut' that was identified by the community as suitable for their use as a community room.

### ***Tarner, Phoenix, Kingswood and Milner***

The area has had over eighteen months of community development work (Eleanor Hope, CDU) and there is Neighbourhood Renewal funding to continue the regeneration and development of this area. This will include some generic community development work from Becky Purnell as well as targeted work via a community safety co-ordinator

and racial harassment caseworker. This will allow the priorities previously identified by residents to be met alongside the targets laid down centrally.

The Phoenix estate was built only six years ago and has had some level of community development support since the beginning. This has facilitated the creation of a Community Association and The Phoenix Centre.

### ***Coldean***

This area has had virtually no grants or community development support. There was a small amount of time from the now finished Education Action Zone project. This was very well received.

However there are some positive signs of community activity with the new Residents' Association. The Chair is very keen for some help and community development support as she is finding it hard to keep up with all the demands on her and is unsure about how to attract more volunteers and move the organisation forward. The LAT team's work is a good example of service providers working together, with the community, to improve community safety. For this initiative to be sustainable, the Headteacher of Coldean Primary School, who has been key to its success, would like the community to take on more responsibility for the project. It would be hard to achieve this aim without some level of community development support.

There is also a threat of closure to the Community Hall that could prove devastating as there is little other available space for the community to meet.

### ***Hollingbury***

The Community Association does not claim a representative function and has more than enough to cope with with the demands of running The Old Boat Corner Community Centre building. They are successful fundraisers, however, and have recently initiated a local newsletter for the Hollingbury area as well as supporting the groups which use the centre, most of which are not independently constituted.

### ***Meadowview***

The Community Centre does provide a good space for the community but with no community development support there is no representation and little community control. None of the indicators for Community Infrastructure is present, except for this building. This area is so small that it may prove difficult to find sufficient activists to do the work necessary. As with the Bristol Estate it may be necessary to link the area with another to widen the scope for activity. This will also be problematic as the estate is so geographically isolated.

### ***St James's and Kemptown***

Father Andrew Manson-Brailsford of St George's Church, Kemptown asserted that he felt that sometimes Kemptown had been overlooked as it is falls within two wards, parts of which have had a good deal of regeneration activity – Whitehawk in the north and Queens Park.

The St James's Action Group is pretty active at their end of the area, but since the dissolution of the Kemptown Community Forum the Kemptown end has not had any community representation.

### ***St Peter's'***

This area is particularly difficult as there is no cohesiveness to the area or feeling of belonging to a wider community. There is no ability to communicate with the Neighbourhood Renewal defined area either by a community newspaper or via any representative groups. The exception to this is at the Roundhill end where a very active community association flourishes (called The Round Hill Society).

There are pockets of deprivation within the area although due to the lack of audit work it is impossible to be specific. Theobald House and the Belmont Estate are next to each other and there may be potential to work up joint projects between these areas and the Turner area which is opposite, on the other side of The Level. Chichester Diocesan Housing Association manage both the Belmont Estate and the Phoenix Estate, and also some social housing in the Gloucester street area. There is also a high percentage of houses in multiple occupation in the Lewes Road area. It would take an enormous amount of resources to ensure representation across this whole area and perhaps it would not be an effective use of funding. The exact areas of deprivation here need to be more clearly defined.

### ***Woodingdean***

This is the only area out of the unfunded Neighbourhood Renewal neighbourhoods that has managed to develop good community infrastructure.

There is a very active councillor and two or three community activists who hold virtually all the community activity together. This is unsustainable in the longer term and a regular complaint was of 'burnout'. The Councillor and Chair of the Tenants' and Residents' groups have been requesting community development support for a while. This area could achieve most of its aims with the benefit of some community development time as the groundwork is all done.

	<b>Community Association</b>	<b>Multi-agency Forum</b>	<b>Community Newspaper</b>	<b>Community Development/</b>	<b>NAP</b>
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				<b>Capacity Building Worker</b>	
Bevendean	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Bristol Estate	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Brunswick/ Regency	No	No	Yes (Brunswick only)	No (see details)	Process underway
Hangleton and Knoll, Laburnum and Moyne	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hollingdean	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Portland Road, Poets Corner and Clarendon Estate	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Portslade	Yes (only in part of the area)	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Queens Park & Craven Vale	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Turner, Phoenix, Kingswood & Milner	Yes (only in part of area)	in development	Yes	Yes	under revision
Coldean	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
Hollingbury	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
Meadowview	No	No	No	No	No
St. James's and Kempton	In part of the area	No	No	No	No
St. Peter's	In part of the area only	No	In part of the area only	No	No
Woodingdean	Yes	No	Yes	No	No

## Neighbourhoods

### Bevendean

This is in the ward of Moulsecoomb and Bevendean.

#### ***Community Associations/Forums***

The boundaries are Lower Bevendean down to the bottom of the Avenue. Officially the bottom end of the Avenue is in Moulsecoomb, but it is considered as part of Bevendean.

Following on from the Bevendean NAP, the Trust for Developing Communities (TDC) worked with the local community to form the Action for Bevendean Community (ABC) group. The model for this group is that of a community forum. Over sixty people attended the inaugural meeting and from this an organisational group was formed late in 2003. Four times annually there is an open public meeting and the organisational group meets in between to take forward community priorities. Public service providers and councillors are invited to the forum as guests, or to address the group. Recent meetings have attracted over 80 people.

This group is chaired by Robert Brown.

There is also a group called the Bevendean Group. This consists of representatives from the Church, Salvation Army, Bevendean Children's Centre Association (BeCCA), the Scouts, the Tenants' Association (TA) and the local councillors. This group meets as and when, at the Church, in order that the community groups can co-ordinate their activities. Most of its members are also members of the organisational group of ABC

#### ***Multi Agency Forum***

No.

**There are however good examples of partnership working. The Early Years Development & Childcare Partnership (EYDCP) have been involved in helping BeCCA. The PCT is funding a community food project, there is a Community Safety Action Team to mirror the successful work in Coldean and a Buildings Group. All these groups are sub groups of ABC forum.**

#### ***Community Newspaper***

There is no community paper in Bevendean.

**TDC has produced an example newsletter (The Bevendean Bugle) that was delivered to every house on the estate following the NAP process. The new Neighbourhood Renewal Funded Community Development worker will take forward this need for a community-run, independently-funded and delivered newspaper.**

### **Community Development Worker**

To date there has been no funded youth or community worker in Bevendean.

**However Neighbourhood Renewal is providing funding for a worker from April 1<sup>st</sup> 2004 until March 2006. A high priority for this worker will be to take forward the proposals for a community building and to develop new independent community groups from among the large number of community members who have come forward during the NAP and Forum development process.**

### **NAP/Neighbourhood Audit**

A full NAP has been undertaken and a printed abridged version produced.

### **Buildings used by the Community**

<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Comments</b>
CC	Bevendean Children's Centre Association	58 Heath Hill Avenue Lower Bevendean Brighton BN2 4FH	571602	In need of redevelopment
S	Bevendean Primary School	Heath Hill Avenue Lower Bevendean Brighton BN2 4JP	681292	Community Room from January 2004. Extended use
C	Church of the Holy Nativity	Norwich Drive Lower Bevendean Brighton BN2 4LA	602325	Community room.

### **Other Buildings with a limited or potential future use**

<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Comments</b>
COI	Scout Hut	Heath Hill Avenue Lower Bevendean Brighton BN2		Not for hire
C	Salvation Army Hall	Leybourne Road Lower Bevendean Brighton BN2 4LT	621196	Restricted access

## **Bristol Estate**

This is in the ward of East Brighton

### ***Community Association/Forum***

Bristol Estate Community Association: Chair: Chris Kift, or telephone the Community Room on 293424

**This is a Brighton & Hove City Council Housing Department supported group, which has sub-groups for tenants and leaseholders. This was (re) formed as part of the NAP process.**

There are only 368 households in the area, which is bounded to the east by Maresfield Road and Manor Road, to the west by Whitehawk Hill Road and to the north by Donald Hall Road. The boundary touches the eb4U area and there is much community feeling that the Estate should have been within its boundaries.

There is also an area behind the Bristol Estate, which falls into no identified regeneration area; this is made up of Sanctuary and Anchor Housing Association properties.

### ***Multi Agency Forum***

No.

**However there is a partnership of officers from Housing and Police. This partnership helps 'unblock' issues raised by the community.**

### ***Community Newspaper***

The Community Association is in the process of developing a community paper. Three editions of this paper were produced by Andy Silsby (independent consultant) during the NAP process. The Association has been developing a process for delivery of the paper by the recruitment of Block reps, which is partially complete. Contact Community Association Chair Chris Kift.

There is also a community safety newsletter, of which two editions have been produced by Andy Silsby. This details the work of the Community Safety Partnership.

### ***Community Development Workers***

There are no community development workers.

**There is a community safety project funded until August 2005 by Neighbourhood Renewal. The contacts are Andy Silsby and Graham Allen. They have a maximum**

of two days a month in which to offer some community development support, they believe that more support is needed to really increase participation in the area.

***NAP/Neighbourhood Audit***

NAP produced and an abridged version printed

**Buildings used by the Community**

<b><i>Type</i></b>	<b><i>Name</i></b>	<b><i>Address</i></b>	<b><i>Phone</i></b>	<b><i>Comments</i></b>
CR	Community Room	Rear of 146-192 Donald Hall Road Brighton BN2 5DJ	293424	Residents have priority Available for Hire.

**Other Buildings with a limited or potential future use**

	<b><i>Venues nearby</i></b>			
S	St John the Baptist RC Primary School	Whitehawk Hill Road Brighton BN2 2AH	607924	No community use at present but under review
S	St Mark's Primary School	Manor Road Brighton BN2 5EA	605588	Hall for hire and Community room

## **Brunswick & Regency**

Brunswick is in the ward of Brunswick and Adelaide. Regency is the neighbouring ward.

### ***Community Associations/Forums***

Brunswick Community Association's boundaries were Lansdowne Road to York Passage to the sea and back to St John's Church. However, the Brunswick Community Association folded several years ago. The Chair was John Watson; he still attends events as an active Brunswick resident.

There are many street associations that have been flourishing since the demise of BCA. These include the Brunswick Square and Palmeira Square groups. The forthcoming NAP work will include a directory, which will detail all these community groups.

Brunswick Festival Group has been producing a community festival for 22 years. They have Global Grants funding and operate in a good partnership model and work to bring the community together. Chair John the Van.

Brunswick Traders is another active group. Contact Sandy Cropper at Florian the Florist.

The Regency Square Area Society is mainly concerned with planning and environmental issues. Its boundaries are West Street, Western Road to Montpelier Road. They contact all residents on an annual basis to see if they would like to join. The Chair is Roger Hinton. Ron Bakere is another contact. Cllr Roy Pennington has been the most active councillor in this area but has recently suffered ill health. He attends meetings of the RSAS.

The West Hill Community Association has boundaries which fall just outside the Regency area. The Chair is Sylvia Alexander Vine.

The Regency area encompasses the headquarters of many voluntary organisations and as a town centre ward, many community buildings. The presence of these, mask the fact that very little actual development work is targeted at Regency.

As in Brunswick there are various small residents' associations, e.g. Powis Square Association: Chair: Mr Smith.

### ***Multi Agency Forum***

None in either area.

### ***Community Newspaper***

The Local Voice is distributed in Brunswick. This is published four times annually and has a circulation of 5,000. This paper was started by the Brunswick Community Development Project around five years ago. John the Van is the contact.

Regency has no community paper but the Regency Square Area Society sends a monthly update only to members.

### ***Community Development Worker***

The boundaries for the Brunswick Community Development Project are from Bedford Place to First Avenue, with the sea to the south and the top of York Place to the north. However for the Community Fund's BME work the boundaries extend across the city centre 'between the clocks', that is from Palmeira Square in Hove to the Clock Tower in Brighton. Both the Sure Start community worker and the Brunswick BME worker cover some of Regency, but Regency itself has no generic community worker at all and neither does Brunswick.

The Brunswick Community Development Project was funded by SRB3. The initial SRB funding came to an end on March 31<sup>st</sup> 2004. There had been a full time vacancy in the generic community development worker post since October 2003. Some of the activities of the worker had been contracted out to John the Van and Veronica Stevens, but the funding for this ended on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2004. These two have been responsible for the Local Voice and the Brunswick directory.

There is a full time Community Development Manager. His name is Charles Boustany. His post has one year's funding left, coming from a mixture of reserves and management fees from the Community Fund. There is a part time BME community development worker, Josephine Ivory. This post is funded by the National Lottery Community Fund.

Sure Start operates across both wards from First Avenue, Hove to College Road in Kemptown. Montpelier Terrace is the boundary to the north, and Lansdowne Road for Brunswick. This covers the Brunswick and Adelaide ward and the bottom half of Regency ward. Sure Start employs a full-time community development worker, focused on families with under fives. Her name is Ciara Vagnarelli.

### ***NAP/Neighbourhood Audit***

This is currently underway for Brunswick and Regency and was due to be completed by May 31<sup>st</sup> 2004. The NAP boundaries do not include the Adelaide part of the Ward.

## Buildings used by the Community

<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Comments</b>
CC	Cornerstone Community Centre	Palmeira Square Hove, BN3 2BL	327757	Well established
CC	St Mary Magdalen Community Centre	55 Upper North Street Brighton, BN1 3FH	326793	Quite well used
COI	Friends Centre	Friends Meeting House Ship Street Brighton, BN1 1AF	240256	Educational classes
COI	Young People's Centre	69 Ship Street Brighton, BN1 1AE	230130	Well used
C	St Michael's Church & Community Centre	St Michael's Place Brighton, BN1 3FU	822284	Well used
C	All Saints Church Hall	The Drive Hove, BN3 3PB	738392	Quite well used
C	Montpelier Place Baptist Church	Montpelier Place Brighton, BN1 3BF	748168	After School Club

	<b>Venues nearby</b>			
CC	Brighthelm Church & Community Centre	North Road Brighton, BN1 1YD	821512	Well established
COI	Community Base	113 Queen's Road Brighton, BN1 3XG	234002	Well used

### Other Buildings with a limited or potential future use

<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Comments</b>
CC	Holland Road Baptist Church	71 Holland Road Hove, BN3 1JN	732111	Own Projects
COI	St. John's Centre	Palmeira Square Hove, BN3 2FL	729603	Day Centre activities. Room hire possible at weekends and evenings.

	<b>Venues nearby</b>			
CC	West Hill Hall	Compton Avenue Brighton, BN1 3PS	327976	Independent Community Centre
CC	Ray Tindle Centre	40 Upper Gardner Street Brighton, BN1 4AN	690358	Reopening July 2004?
T	Hove Town Hall	Hove Centre Norton Road Hove, BN3 4AH	290000	Hiring rates under review
COI	Brighton Peace & Environment Centre	39-41 Surrey Street Brighton, BN1 3PB	766610	Newly opened. Some meeting space.
COI	Brighton Women's Centre	Basement Brighthelm Centre North Road Brighton, BN1 1YD	749567	Well used. Some meeting space.
S	St. Mary Magdalen RC Primary School	Spring Street Brighton, BN1 3EF	327533	Hall and rooms possibly available for hire. Telephone to check availability.

## **Hangleton, Knoll, Laburnum & Moyne**

For this report for ease of reading Hangleton has been separated out and is dealt with first.

### **(a) Hangleton**

This is in the ward of Hangleton and Knoll.

#### ***Community Association/Forum***

Hangleton Community Association. The boundaries are the old Hangleton ward boundaries. These run up Hangleton Road to Benfield Valley and down Toads Hall valley. The Community Association has been established since 1986 and was created to campaign for a community centre, which it now manages. The Co-Chairs are Julie Piper and Connie Patterson.

#### ***Multi Agency Forum***

Hangleton and Knoll Community Action, which has been operation for over two years. This group covers the boundaries of the new ward of Hangleton and Knoll, and meets every six weeks. Local businesses, community association representatives, Council officers, Neighbourhood Watch, the Police, Housing, Health, schools and ward councillors attend.

The Hangleton & Knoll Project is employed by the forum to support the group and undertake the administration. The forum holds open meetings and residents are encouraged to come to the meetings with their issues and concerns. This forum is responsible for NAP implementation and the Manager of the Hangleton and Knoll Project takes her work programmes there. This forum is funded by a Can Do grant from the Scarman Trust. The Chair is Roy Taylor.

#### ***Community Newspaper***

The local newspaper is the Hangleton Harbinger. This is a bi-monthly publication with a circulation of 4,200. This paper has been going since 1984. The current contacts are; Sophia Murphy or Ruth Melia.

#### ***Community Development Worker***

The Hangleton and Knoll Project is managed by Bernadette Dawes. The Project is governed by a management committee; made up of residents and service providers. The Project is concerned with both Youth and Community work. Telephone contact 235052.

The community development worker for Hangleton is Catherine Mitchell, she works 30 hours a week.

This community development post is funded from a mixture of sources - The Lankelly Foundation, the PCT and the Children's Fund. Catherine Mitchell is managed by the Hangleton and Knoll Project. The PCT does fund health outcomes but has allowed these targets to be set by the community. This flexible approach has been very helpful. The Lankelly Foundation funds generic community development. The Children's fund does have to be targeted specifically on children and families.

### ***NAP/Neighbourhood Audit***

A full NRAP has been produced and an abridged version printed for the whole area of Hangleton and Knoll, Laburnum and Moyne.

### **(b) Knoll, Laburnum and Moyne**

This is in the ward of Hangleton and Knoll.

### ***Community Associations/Forums***

Knoll Community Association. Its boundaries are the old Nevill ward, down Nevill Avenue to Holmes Avenue, along Old Shoreham Road (including Hallyburton Road) and back up Hangleton Road, taking in Godwin Road. There are currently moves afoot to change the area of benefit to include all users of St Richards Community Centre. The geographic boundaries will remain the same. This Community Association has been in existence since 1990.

The Hove 3 TARA (Tenants' and Residents' Association) covers Laburnum and Moyne. The Chair is Pat Wilson, telephone contact 220109.

Laburnum and Moyne covers Laburnum Avenue and Moyne Close. The Laburnum Avenue housing is all owned by the William Sutton Trust and Moyne Close is Guinness Trust housing. This area is very small.

### ***Multi Agency Forum***

As for Hangleton.

### ***Community Newspaper***

The Community paper is the Knoll Scroll. This is bi monthly and has a circulation of 2,200. It was started in 1989. The contact is Derek Cooke.

Hangleton and Knoll youth workers support two young people to create two youth pages for every edition.

### **Community Development Worker**

There is a full time community worker called Trevor Povey. He is employed by the Hangleton and Knoll Project. Funding as for Catherine Mitchell in Hangleton.

### **NAP/Neighbourhood Audit**

As for Hangleton.

### **Buildings used by the Community**

<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Comments</b>
CC	Hangleton Community Centre	Harmsworth Crescent Hove, BN3 8BW	292962	Well established
CC	St Richard's Community Centre	Egmont Road Hove, BN3 7PF	414483	Good availability of rooms/halls
CC	Knoll Pavilion	Knoll Recreation Ground Stapley Road Hove, BN3 2HA	414483	Newly opened Book through St Richard's
S	Hove Park Secondary School	Hangleton Way/ Neville Road Hove, BN3 7BN	294999	No hiring on Hangleton Way site. Hall and rooms available on Neville Road site
C	St Helen's Church Hall	Hangleton Way Hove, BN3 8ER	419409	Well used, some available space

### **Other Buildings with a limited or potential future use**

<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Comments</b>
S	Goldstone Primary School	Laburnum Avenue Hove, BN3 7JW	294851	Hall for hire
C	St Peter's Church Hall	Hangleton Road Hove, BN3 7LQ	732459	Well used Some availability
C	St George's Church Hall	Court Farm Road Hove BN3 7QU	503647	Hall available for hire
L	Hangleton Library	West Way Hangleton Hove, BN3 8LD	296904	Possible meeting space, telephone for details.

## **Hollingdean**

This is in the ward of Hollingbury and Stanmer

### ***Community Associations/Forums***

The boundaries for all the following are the BN7 postcodes. This is the triangle bounded between Lewes Road and Ditchling Road.

Hollingdean has a variety of structures that can loosely be defined under a Community Association heading.

The Hollingdean Residents' and Tenants' Association, Chair Chris Leage. The contact is the Secretary, Heather Hayes.

The Development Trust is a new and developing group that is resident-led. It will be a registered charity and is currently funded by the Hollingdean Programme. This Trust will be responsible for the assets of the community, as managers and leaseholders. They will develop a membership base from the local community that will hold elections to the Hollingdean Partnership Board (see multi agency forums). They will also employ the community development postholders (see community development workers)  
The Chair is Nicky Garrod.

Hollingdean Neighbourhood Network (HNN) was a representative community forum but has recently changed its remit into responsibility for specific community events. e.g. the Hollingdean Festival and Hollingdean News. This Network was started three years ago

### ***Multi Agency Forum***

The Hollingdean Partnership Board is a multi agency partnership the main rôle of which is to direct the work of the Hollingdean Programme. Of the 26 permanent seats, 13 are held by residents/Sure Start parents and the other seats by statutory service providers including Health, schools, councillors and Police. It is onto this body that the Development Trust will vote representatives. All meetings are open.

### ***Community Newspaper***

There are two community papers in Hollingdean.

The Hollingdean News, which is supported by the Hollingdean Programme and run by HNN. This is monthly and is circulated to 3,000 residents. It was started four years ago. The contact is Cathy Davey.

The Hollingdean Voice, which was started a year ago. This is funded by Housing and is primarily for tenants but is also made available to all residents. Contact Heather Hayes.

### **Community Development Workers**

The previous Neighbourhood Renewal-funded Community Development Manager post ended at the end of March 2004. Community development work will be taken forward with two part time posts. One will be a Parental and Community Engagement worker and the other a development worker for the emerging Development Trust.

There are also two Community Apprentices who are part time. These receive WICO (Work in Community Organisations) training. Their funding is due to end in July 2004, although the intention of the Hollingdean Programme is to seek ongoing funds to continue their work.

### **NAP/Neighbourhood Audit**

This was undertaken at the commencement of the Hollingdean Programme and is very much an evolving plan, regularly monitored and updated.

### **Buildings used by the Community**

<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Comments</b>
CC	Hollingdean Community Centre	Thomson Road Brighton, BN1 7BH	236160	Well established
CC	Sure Start Nursery & Community Centre	Brentwood Road Brighton, BN1		On site Opens May 2004 + Café
C	St Richard's Church Hall	Beal Crescent Brighton, BN1 7BU	507723	Popular venue

### **Other Buildings with a limited or potential future use**

<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Comments</b>
COI	Unemployed Workers' Centre	4 Crestway Parade The Crestway Brighton, BN1 7BL	540717	Not available for hire
S	Hertford Infant School	Hertford Road Brighton, BN1 7GF	552931	No extended use
S	Hertford Junior School	Lynchet Close Brighton, BN1 7FP	557341	Very limited access
S	St Joseph's RC Primary School	Davey Drive Brighton, BN1 7BF	556607	No rooms for Hire
S	Uplands School	Lynchet Close Brighton, BN1 7FP	558622	Not available for Hire at present
S	Castledean School	Lynchet Close Brighton, BN1 7FP	702121	No rooms for hire

<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Comments</b>
CR	Lindfield Court	The Crestway Brighton, BN1 7AY	292365	Residents' lounge Good size Very limited access
CR	Nettleton & Dudeney Tenants Centre	Dudeney Lodge Upper Hollingdean Road Brighton, BN1 7GT	292365	Small room Residents have priority
CR	Sylvan Hall Tenants Room	Holly Bank Bromley Road Brighton, BN2 3BG	292365	Very small room Residents only
CR	William Moon Lodge	The Linkway Brighton, BN1 7EJ	292365	Residents have priority

## **Portland Road and Clarendon**

Portland Road is in Wish and Westbourne Wards. These cover the whole West Hove area. Poets Corner is also in Westbourne ward. The Clarendon Estate was in the old Vallance ward. It is now mainly contained in Goldsmid but borders closely to Central Hove.

### ***Community Associations/Forums***

Poets Corner Residents Society has been established for five years. The area is bounded to the north by the railway line, to the east by Sackville Road, and to the south by Lawrence Road until Olive Road in the west. The Chair of the Society is Don Brown; the Secretary is Gloria Adiba.

Clarendon and Ellen Residents' Association. This long established group covers the high-rise blocks in the old Vallance area. Chair: Gladys Fairhall.

West Hove Residents' Association is chaired by Pat Miles.

Ingram Crescent Residents' Association: Chair: Ann Carr.

### ***Multi Agency Forum***

West Hove Forum. This meets quarterly and is an open meeting. It has been going for two years. All local service providers and councillors meet with local people and Community Association representatives. Chair Cllr Ted Kemble (Wish).

### ***Community Newspaper***

West Hove News. This is published quarterly and circulation is 8,500. West Hove News has been going for around four years. Contact: Don Brown.

Poets Corner Residents Society newsletter (monthly). Contact: David Sharman.

Neighbourhood News (Vallance) started about six months ago. Contact Ponnie Dudley.

### ***Community Development Workers***

The YMCA employs Ponnie Dudley, part funded by Social Services (Adult) Early Intervention and matched by Neighbourhood Renewal. A lot of her time is spent as a centre manager rather than a community development worker.

The Vallance Community Centre's immediate boundaries of benefit are Goldstone Villas to Sackville Road and Conway Street to Goldstone Road.

Don Brown is a part time Community Development worker employed by YMCA in Wish and Westbourne wards, funded by the National Lottery Community Fund. There is not enough funding for the necessary full time worker and the post has been cut to 20 hours. The funding lasts another 18 months. Don Brown works primarily in Portland Road and Clarendon, but has a brief for both Wish and Westbourne. Previously he was employed as a youth worker so this area has only had dedicated community development support for around 18 months.

Talk Shop Manager 25 hours a week. The Talk Shop is the offices of Poets Corner Residents Society and it will provide a community café plus training and meeting space. There is little time for community development work in this post, but the Talk Shop supports a large range of capacity building activities in the area.

### ***NAP/Neighbourhood Audit***

NAP completed and abridged version printed.

### **Buildings used by the Community**

<b><i>Type</i></b>	<b><i>Name</i></b>	<b><i>Address</i></b>	<b><i>Phone</i></b>	<b><i>Comments</i></b>
CC	Talk Shop	Stoneham Park Hove, BN3	771386	Newly opened, café , IT Suite and meeting room.
CC	Vallance Community Centre	Conway Court Clarendon Road Hove, BN3 3WR	296040	Large room Some availability
C	Honeycroft Playcentre	St Barnabas Church Hall Sackville Road Hove, BN3 3WF	220323	Nursery, Toddler Group and hall/ room. Availability
C	Hove Methodist Church	Portland Road Hove, BN3 5DR	324600	Hall and rooms
COI	Hove YMCA	Marmion Road Hove, BN3 5FS	731724	Youth activities and services. Room hire available.

**Other Buildings with a limited or potential future use**

<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Comments</b>
CR	Clarendon House Community Room	Ground Floor Clarendon House Clarendon Road Hove, BN3 3WW	293265	Residents only Small room
COI	Sea Cadets Hall	Marmion Road Hove, BN3 5FS		Large hall very limited access
S	West Hove Primary School	School Road Hove, BN3 5HX	733386	After School Club Telephone to check room hire.
C	St Peter's RC Church Hall	Tamworth Road Hove, BN3 5FJ		U5 Playgroup No hire
C	Holy Cross Hall	Tamworth Road Hove, BN3 5FJ	738213	Own projects Hire available
C	Stoneham Road Baptist Church	Stoneham Road Hove, BN3 5H		U5 Playgroup Plans for redevelopment

## **Portslade**

This is in the wards of North Portslade and South Portslade.

### ***Community Associations/Forums***

The boundary for CAPS (Community Association for Portslade South) is the area south of the Old Shoreham Road. The political boundary is further north.

CAPS is the community association of South Portslade. It has been going for eight years and has fundraised for and developed a new community centre in partnership with St. Nicholas and St. Andrew's church. The Chair is Derek Smith.

There is also a residents' association, Vale Park Residents' Association, Chair Aidan Murphy.

North Portslade does not have a similar community association for the whole area. However, there are a number of residents associations which cover this patch:

- Valley Road /Carden Court Residents' Association, Chair: Praven Rawal
- Valley Road Community Action Group, Chair: J. Day.
- Downland Court Residents' Association, Chair: Tina Urquhart.
- Easthill Park Users Group, Chair: Adam Pride.
- Mile Oak Community Association, Chair: Joan Wright.

There is also the Emmaus Community in Drove Road.

### ***Multi Agency Forum***

No.

### ***Community Newspaper***

The community paper for South Portslade is The CAPS newsletter. It is quarterly and circulation is 2,050. This has been in existence three years. The contact is Derek Smith.

The community paper for North Portslade is the North Portslade Community Newspaper. This is bi monthly and circulation is 6,200. It has been in existence nine years. The contact is Jo Fuller.

### **Community Development workers**

The Portslade Community Project has its work directed by a management committee of representatives from the local community groups and residents'. This is a sub committee of the Hangleton and Knoll Project, who employ and manage the workers.

The boundaries for the development work are the new ward boundaries for North and South Portslade. The Portslade work is funded by a share of the PCT money awarded to Hangleton and Knoll and from April 1<sup>st</sup> 2004 and a 3 year Council grant. The full-time post is job-shared between Rhoda Matthews and Lucie Marley. Neighbourhood Renewal-funded youth workers will work from the Village Centre from April 2004. Their remit will be detached youth work.

### **NAP/Neighbourhood Audit**

Yes NAP completed and a printed abridged version produced.

### **Buildings used by the Community**

<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Comments</b>
CC	Mile Oak Community Centre	Chalky Road Portslade BN41 2WF		In need of redevelopment
C	Parish Centre St Nicholas Church	29 South Street Portslade BN41 2LE	419013	Main community building for North Portslade
CC	South Portslade Community Centre	St Andrew's Church Church Road Portslade BN41 1L		Opening mid-June 2004 – will be main building for South Portslade
CR	The Community Hall Downland Court	Stonery Road Portslade BN41 2PS	293374	Residents have priority
COI	Emmaus	Drove Road Portslade BN41 2PA	426476	Community Café
SC	Portslade Sports Centre	Chalky Road Portslade BN41 2WS	411100	Hall/Large rooms Sports facilities
C	Church of the Good Shepherd	35 Stanley Avenue Portslade BN41 2WH	413999	Popular venue
C	United Reformed Church Hall	St Aubyns Road Portslade BN41 1AB	770165	Hall

<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Comments</b>
S	Portslade Community College	Chalky Road BN41 2WS	416300	Halls and rooms available
S	Swedish High School	Loxdale Locks Hill Portslade BN41 2LA	414973	Hall and rooms available

### Other Buildings with a limited or potential future use

<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Comments</b>
CC	Parker Court Meeting Room	Parker Court Foredown Road Portslade BN41 2FT	293374	Closed whilst being extended Residents only
S	Benfield Junior School	Old Shoreham Road Portslade BN41 1XS	294950	Hall and rooms For hire
S	Downs Park School	Foredown Road Portslade BN41 6FU	417448	No rooms for hire
S	Hillside School	Foredown Road Portslade BN41 2FU	416979	No rooms for hire
S	Mile Oak Primary School	Graham Avenue Portslade BN41 2WN	294880	2 Halls for hire & football pitch
S	Peter Gladwin Primary School	Drove Road Portslade BN41 2PA	294959	Possible future use
S	Portslade Infant School	Locks Hill Portslade BN41 2LA	418850	Hall & rooms available from May 2005
S	St Mary's RC Primary School	Church Road Portslade BN41 1LB	418416	No rooms for hire
S	St Nicholas' CE Junior School	Lock's Hill Portslade BN41 2LA	418026	Hall and rooms for hire
S	St Peter's Community Infant School	St Peter's Road Portslade BN41 1LS	418069	After School Club Limited hire
L	Portslade Library	Old Shoreham Road Portslade BN41 1XR	296914	Homework Club Children's school holiday activities
TH	Portslade Town Hall	Victoria Road Portslade BN41 1X	292922	Hall and rooms available

## **Queens Park & Craven Vale**

Queens Park is in Queens Park ward. Craven Vale falls in that ward and in two others, East Brighton and Hanover & Elm Grove.

### ***Community Associations/Forums***

Queens Park Community Association, Chair Stuart McKay.

The Queens Park and Craven Vale Action Group. This was set up around four years ago. The Chair is Ann Goatcher.

Craven Vale Tenants' Association. Acting Chair Richard Wells.

Stonehurst Court Sheltered Housing Residents' Association. Contact Beryl Simpson.

QP/CV NAP Forum. Representatives of all the above come together for this forum, which has taken on the NAP work and its ongoing implementation. Chair Cllr Bill Randall.

### ***Multi Agency Forum***

All the organisations invite various public service providers, as appropriate, but there is no Multi Agency Forum.

### ***Community Newspaper***

QPCV News. This is bimonthly and circulation is 1,800. It has been going for three years. Contact Paul and Dee Bonnet.

### ***Community Development Workers***

The full time worker is Tom Warder who was originally employed by the Community Development Unit of Brighton & Hove City Council. At that time this post was funded by Communities against Drugs (CAD) specifically to work with young people. Neighbourhood Renewal has now funded the Trust for Developing Communities, for two years, to manage Community Development support. Tom has now been seconded to the Trust. Phone contact 573845.

### ***NAP/Neighbourhood Audit***

NAP completed.

### Buildings used by the Community

<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Comments</b>
C	St Luke's Church Hall	St Luke's Road Brighton BN2 2ZD	603946	Busy, little availability

### Other Buildings with a limited or potential future use

<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Comments</b>
CR	Community Room	Stonehurst Court Down Terrace Brighton, BN2 2ZQ	293265	Residents only Very small
COI	Older People's Resource Centre	Craven Road Brighton, BN2 2FE		Restricted access
S	St Luke's Infant School	Queen's Park Rise Brighton, BN2 2ZF	699924	Limited access
S	St Luke's Junior School	St Luke's Terrace Brighton, BN2 2ZE	675080	Limited access
H	East Brighton Mental Health Centre	Brighton General Hospital Pankhurst Avenue Brighton, BN2 2Y		Meeting rooms Limited access

## **Tarner, Phoenix, Kingswood and Milner**

This is in the wards of Hanover & Elm Grove and Queens Park.

### ***Community Associations/Forum***

Phoenix Community Association. Its boundaries are the Phoenix estate. The Association has been going for six years. Chair: Ellen Woolley.

Kingswood and Milner Tenants' Association. This covers the two blocks of flats. Chair: Nancy Whitchurch. Plans are afoot to change this tenants' association into a community association.

Albion Hill Tenants' Association. This covers all the tower blocks and maisonettes from Albion Hill to Kingswood and Milner, on either side of Ashton Rise. Albion Hill has made repeated requests for more worker time to support their work. The Chair of the Association is Ian Tinlin.

### ***Multi Agency Forum***

There has been a Multi Agency working group for the last two years. Becky Purnell has chaired this. This group is currently undergoing a change of focus into a model similar to Hollingdean. Its main task will be to direct the Neighbourhood Renewal work in Tarner as well as having sub-groups to address specific areas of community interest. The first meeting of this new area partnership was held on 30<sup>th</sup> April. The representative from CDHA was elected Chair and Ellen Woolley was elected Vice-Chair at the second meeting. It is the long-term aim of the partnership that it should be chaired by resident representative.

### ***Community Newsletters***

Tarner Talk. This is a fledgling newsletter and is not regular yet. Contact Becky Purnell.

Albion Hill Tenants' Association newsletter, contact Ian and Lorraine Tinlin.

### ***Community Development Workers***

Eleanor Hope was funded by NRF and employed by the Council's Community Development Unit, full time until the end of May 2004. Neighbourhood Renewal is now funding targeted work, at community identified priorities, via a racial harassment case worker and a community safety co-ordinator after May 2004 – so the community development post no longer exists.

Becky Purnell is funded by CDHA for 20 hours a week for community development and centre management work in Phoenix. The majority of this time is for building-management, with perhaps two hours a week for community development work. She is

also funded for twelve hours work by Neighbourhood Renewal, seven hours of which is to develop activities for the area and five hours to support the Partnership. This will run until March 2006.

Sure Start is active in this area, see contacts for Brunswick.

### ***NAP/Neighbourhood Audit***

Revised plan was due May 14th 2004.

### **Buildings used by the Community**

<b><i>Type</i></b>	<b><i>Name</i></b>	<b><i>Address</i></b>	<b><i>Phone</i></b>	<b><i>Comments</i></b>
CC	Millwood Centre	Nelson Row Brighton, BN2 9QG	292365	Newly refurbished
CC	Phoenix Community Centre	2 Phoenix Place Brighton, BN2 9ND	621794	Popular venue 2 halls. Ground floor wheelchair accessible
CR	Turnerland Nursery School	St John's Place Brighton, BN2 2GR	607651	Community Room due to be completed 2004
COI	Brighton Youth Centre	64 Edward Street Brighton, BN2 2JR	681368	Well established. Hall and rooms available
S	Carlton Hill Primary School	Sussex Street Brighton, BN2 9HS	604966	New community room now open

	<b><i>Venues nearby</i></b>			
CC	Hanover Community Centre	33 Southover Street Brighton, BN2 9UD	694873	Popular venue Ground floor wheelchair accessible

### **Other Buildings with a limited or potential future use**

<b><i>Type</i></b>	<b><i>Name</i></b>	<b><i>Address</i></b>	<b><i>Phone</i></b>	<b><i>Comments</i></b>
CR	Thornsdale Community Room	Albion Hill Brighton, BN2 2NN	292365	Residents only
COI	Unemployed Centre	6 Tilbury Place Brighton, BN2 2GY	671213	No rooms for hire
COI	Resource Centre	Priory House 6 Tilbury Place Brighton, BN2 2GY	606160	No rooms for hire
COI	Turnerland Playbase	Sussex Street Brighton, BN2 2GQ	679900	After School Club. Some availability
H	Morley Street Family Centre	Morley Street Brighton, BN2 2RA		To be redeveloped April 2005

## **Coldean**

This is in the ward of Hollingbury and Stanmer.

### ***Community Associations***

Coldean Community Association Contact: Chair: Ian Knowles. This Community Association has been running for 30 years and has as its focus the running of a community room attached to St Mary Magdalen's Church. This room was built by volunteers from the community on Church land and the Church holds the lease. Ownership of the building is unclear. This is a huge issue for Coldean as currently the Church is on the list for closure. It is not clear what would happen to the community room at this stage. A playgroup meets there every morning and there are also activities for older people.

Coldean Tenants were a sub group of this association but have now disbanded and have been amalgamated into a new residents' and tenants' association. This started in August 2003. Chair Sue Harris.

Coldean Residents' and Tenants' Association are very keen to be a fully representative group. They have sub groups working on a children's play area and a community café. They also run the newsletter.

### ***Multi Agency Forum***

No.

Coldean has been involved in a very successful Local Action Team community safety initiative. This is a partnership between the School, Police, Councillors, Library, Youth Service, Housing and Community. The police sent a questionnaire, mainly focussed on identifying the problems in the area, to Coldean residents. From this, youth and play services have become involved in offering diversionary activities for young people. Some of this has been funded by Joint Initiatives (Police Money).

### ***Community Newspaper***

There is a community paper in Coldean, started by the new association; Housing support this. They have had two editions so far and hope to publish quarterly. It is distributed with the help of volunteers. Contact Sue Harris.

The Church also publishes a quarterly newsletter, which goes to parishioners and community room users.

### ***Community Development Worker***

There is no funded community worker in Coldean.

However there was a small amount of community development time from the Education Action Zone, but this finished in December 2003.

A detached youth worker has 3 hours a week for Coldean.

The Residents' and Tenants' Association were very keen to discuss ways in which they might be able to get some community development support to help them develop.

### ***NAP/Neighbourhood Audit***

Not since SRB5.

### **Buildings used by the Community**

<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Comments</b>
CC	St Mary Magdalen Church Hall	Selham Drive Brighton, BN1 9EL	887554	Old hall, well used. On Church Review List.
S	Coldean Primary School	Selham Drive Brighton, BN1 9EL	294914	Halls and rooms for hire. Rates negotiable for Community Groups.
L	Coldean Library	Selham Place Beatty Avenue Brighton, BN1 9EW	296902	Possible meeting space. Telephone for details.

## **Hollingbury**

The Hollingbury Council Estate is in the ward of Patcham, which borders the Hollingbury and Stanmer ward but is not contained, in any part in it.

### ***Community Associations***

The Community Association manages The Old Boat Corner Community Centre and other community initiatives. The Community Centre was built using money from ASDA. Its boundaries are the old Stanmer ward which means that by constitution its boundaries extend to cover Hollingbury, Patcham, Stanmer Village and Coldean. Chair Helen Clift telephone 503437

There are a couple of Tenants' Associations: Hollingbury Circle and Stanmer Heights. contact CPO (Housing) John Bain.

Patcham and Hollingbury HELP Group. Chair Fred Jordan 559882. This group supports local community action and provides young people's activities and support for older people. They have recently received a Local Network fund grant to pay for a youth worker for 3 sessions per week.

### ***Multi Agency Forum***

No.

### ***Community Newspaper***

The Community paper is the H&P'ening. This is just publishing its third edition (June 2004) and is a joint venture between The Old Boat Corner Community Association and The Patcham and Hollingbury Help group. This has been funded by a Global Grant and is now funded by Council small grants. It is published quarterly and circulation is 6,000. It is distributed with the Leader to Hollingbury and Patcham. Contact Helen Clift.

### ***Community Development Worker***

To date there has been no funded community worker in Hollingbury.

The Community Association are clear that this is their priority need as they need support to engage with the community outside the users of the building. They hope the community newspaper will help them to achieve these aims.

### ***NAP/Neighbourhood Audit***

No work since SRB5. Neighbourhood Consultation Report in 2000.

### Buildings used by the Community

Type	Name	Address	Phone	Comments
CC	Old Boat Corner	Carden Avenue Hollingbury Brighton, BN1 8GP	540779	Community café and bar. Hall and room availability.
CR	The Gathering Place	Orchid View Stanmer Heights Brighton, BN1 8GP	292365	Good sized room, good availability for hire.
S	Carden Primary School	County Oak Avenue Brighton, BN1 8LU	293677	2 Halls available for hire.
C	Lyminster Methodist Church Hall	Lyminster Avenue Brighton, BN1 8JL	508007	Hall available for hire.

### Other Buildings with a limited or potential future use

Type	Name	Address	Phone	Comments
L	Hollingbury Library	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor Carden Hill Brighton, BN1 8DA	296908	Possible small meeting space.
COI	TS Zealous	Sea Scout Hut Carden Hill Brighton, BN1		Some availability for hire.

## **Meadowview**

This is in the ward of Moulsecomb and Bevendean.

Meadowview is a small housing estate of 281 properties. It is owned and managed by a consortium of five housing associations. These are Downland Housing Association, James Butcher, William Sutton, Orbit and Sanctuary.

### ***Community Associations***

In the past there was a community association which was being developed to take over the management of the community centre. This attempt failed and now there is only a Residents' Association which has not met for a year but still is constituted. The Chair of this is John Allam.

The boundaries are the same as for the Neighbourhood Renewal area. That is Bear Road to the south and Bevendean Road to the west, extending to Dawlish Close in the east.

### ***Multi Agency Forum***

No.

### ***Community Newspaper***

There is no community paper in Meadowview. There was a newsletter delivered to the estate (Meadowview and Tenantry View) up until a year ago when it folded.

### ***Community Development Worker***

When the estate was built in the mid 1990s, the consortium contracted PACT Community Projects (now Impact Initiatives) to provide fulltime community development support for three years. When this period ended, Mark Drayton was employed for two years half-time to continue this support. Following the end of that period there was a third year tail off where ad hoc support was provided by Mark and since then there has been no community development support. Mark is now employed, by Downland, as a Tenant Participation Officer. His area covers the whole South East Region which goes as far as Ashford. This means his time for Meadowview is very limited. Sadly the community infrastructure for the area has all but broken down since support was withdrawn.

The Community Centre still has a daily playgroup, with a waiting list. Brighton & Hove Inclusion Project have just started to provide an after school club once a week and the hall is used for various other activities. The community centre is owned by Sanctuary and the running costs are subsidised by the consortium.

This area has no Community Development Worker.

## **NAP/Neighbourhood Audit**

This area was not included in SRB5 and had had no needs audit conducted.

## **Meadowview**

### **Buildings used by the Community**

<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Comments</b>
CC	Meadowview Community Centre	Meadowview Brighton, BN2 4NF	687563	Limited opening times.

### **Other Buildings with a limited or potential future use**

	<i>Venues nearby</i>			
<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Comments</b>
COI	Sussex Beacon	Bevendean Road Brighton, BN2 4DE	694222	Phone to check availability
S	Coombe Road Primary School	Coombe Road Brighton, BN2 4ED	707878	Potential hire of hall and rooms.

## **St James's and Kemptown**

This is partly in the ward of Queen's Park and partly in the ward of East Brighton.

### ***Community Associations***

St James's Street Action Group. The boundaries are from the sea, north to Upper Bedford Street, west to the New Steine and east to Upper Bedford Street. This is a group of traders and residents. The area contains many agencies dealing with drug and alcohol problems and has had community safety issues with the clients of these services. The Group has a sub-group specifically to deal with these issues; this works closely with the Police and the Council to tackle these problems. Contact Dr Alan Bond.

Kingscliffe Society. Secretary: Janie Thomas, telephone 673814. This group has as its primary focus conservation and residential amenities. The boundaries are the Steine up to Lewes Crescent.

The Kemptown Society Secretary Shirley Collins. This group has a similar remit to Kingscliffe

Kemptown Community Forum Chair: Father Andrew Manson-Brailsford. The forum was officially disbanded this year. Father Andrew still sees a huge un-met need for something in Kemptown, which promotes the area specifically. He feels the Forum could be resurrected with the right support as there is still interest in it locally.

### ***Multi Agency Forum***

No.

### ***Community Newspaper***

There is no community paper in St James's at present.

Until recently the St James's Action Group produced a newsletter called St James Matters. The editor left the area and they are trying to replace him.

The Kingscliffe Society send out a quarterly newsletter only to their members.

### ***Community Development Worker***

There is no dedicated generic worker in the area.

### ***NAP/Neighbourhood Audit***

This area was not included in SRB5. However this area did benefit from URBAN EU funding. At that time there was a multi agency working group that oversaw the money being spent. The contact for all the evaluation of URBAN (which finished in 2001/2) is Rob Frasier Environment and Regeneration Manager.

### **Buildings used by the Community**

<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Comments</b>
CC	Kemptown Crypt Community Centre	St George's Church St George's Road Brighton, BN2 1DE	888444	Well used.
CR	Esswick Community Room	Ground Floor Essex Place Montague Street Brighton, BN2 1LB	293265	Good sized room, well used.
CR	Hampshire Lodge	Hampshire Court Upper St James's Street Brighton, BN2 1LN	293265	Good sized room.
CR	St James's Community Room	St James's House High Street Brighton, BN2 1RW	293265	Well used room but no WC facilities at present.

	<b><i>Venues nearby</i></b>			
CR	The Barnard Centre	Ground Floor St Johns Mount Mount Pleasant Brighton, BN2 9JP	293265	Good sized room, well used.
CR	Tyson Place Community Room	Ground Floor Tyson Place Grosvenor Street Brighton, BN2 0JQ	293265	Good sized room, well used.

### **Other Buildings with a limited or potential use**

<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Comments</b>
CR	Hereford Court Community Room	Ground Floor Hereford Court Hereford Street Brighton, BN2 1LF	293265	Very small room, very limited use.
S	Queens Park Primary School	Freshfield Place Brighton, BN2 2BN	686822	No general hiring policy.
CR	Leach Court	Park Street Brighton, BN2 2DE	293265	Sheltered block.
CR	Somerset Point	Somerset Street Brighton, BN2 1JS	293265	Sheltered block.

## **St Peter's**

This is in the ward of St Peter's and North Laine.

### ***Community Associations***

There is no Community Association for the St. Peter's area as a whole, and there is unlikely to be, because it is a large area with artificial boundaries and is, essentially, a collection of smaller neighbourhoods.

The Round Hill Society. Secretary: Vivien Powell. The Society's boundaries run up to Princes Road to the north and include the north side of the Upper Lewes Road down to the Gyratory, and Ditchling Road to the west. The Society is a residents' association who run an annual Christmas parade and party as well as a biannual street party. There is a history group which runs as an offshoot of the main group and they have been successful in local campaigns for street calming and tree planting for the area.

London Road Traders are active amongst the businesses in London Road. Roy Brown at Bardsley's fish and chip shop is a contact.

There is also an association for the Open Market contact Cllr Mary Mears. The Open Market is a priority for the Major Projects Team.

The Belmont Estate is a CDHA owned estate. Although it is small (around 40 houses) it has a huge percentage of children and young people and a lack of facilities. There have been several attempts to form a Community Association and they are currently in the process of trying again. This is supported at CDHA by Bill Lucas.

There are a number of small tenants' associations that come within the boundaries.

The Sylvan Hall Association has been involved in campaigns that affect the wider community. Sylvan Hall, Ditchling Road Contact Linda Sure.

Theobald House (high rise in Trafalgar Street) Residents, Association contact CPO Michelle Johnson.

Mayflower Square, New England Rd (mainly older people) contact CPO John Bain.

### ***Multi Agency Forum***

No.

### **Community Newspaper**

Round Hill Reporter; Contact Vivien Powell. Circulation is around 1,000. This is distributed by volunteers. This newsletter has been funded by a Scarman Trust grant. This only goes to the Round Hill area as defined by the Round Hill Society.

The rest of the area has no community paper.

### **Community Development Worker**

To date there has been no funded community worker in this area.

The City Gate Christian Community Centre, on the London Road (for contacts see buildings) provides well used community activities.

Young People's provision is a priority need in this area, particularly to serve the Belmont Estate.

### **NAP/Neighbourhood Audit**

None. This area was not part of the SRB5 process.

### **Buildings used by the Community**

<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Comments</b>
CC	City Gate Centre	84-86 London Road Brighton, BN1 4QB	693807	Hall & rooms all on 1 <sup>st</sup> floor. Chairlift only. Some availability.
CR	Wally's Den	Ground Floor Theobald House Blackman Street Brighton, BN1 4FE	293265	Well used room.
C	St Peter's Church	York Place Brighton, BN1 4GU	676051	Well used hall. Some daytime availability.

	<b>Venues nearby</b>			
CC	Ray Tindle Centre	40 Upper Gardner Street Brighton, BN1 4AN	690358	Due to reopen July 2004?
CC	West Hill Hall	Compton Avenue Brighton, BN1 3PS	327976	Independent Community Centre.

### Other Buildings with a limited or potential future use

Type	Name	Address	Phone	Comments
COI	Relate Centre	58 Preston Road Brighton, BN1 4QF	608518	Some limited availability.
COI	Oasis Project	22 Richmond Place Brighton, BN2 9NA	696970	Very limited availability
COI	Brighton Peace & Environment Centre	39-41 Surrey Street Brighton, BN1 3PB	766610	Newly opened. Some meeting space.
C	Clarendon Centre Church of Christ the King	New England Street Brighton, BN1 4GQ	747687	Own projects. Limited availability.
C	Salvation Army Hall	1-6 Park Crescent Terrace Brighton, BN2 3HD	607095	Very busy centre, very little room hire available.
L	Brighton Library	Vantage Point New England Street Brighton, BN1 2GW	296957	Very limited space. Closing Nov 2004 relocating to Jubilee Street February 2005. New building will have a community room.
COI	Age Concern	29/31 Prestonville Road Brighton, BN1 3TJ	720603	Possible limited availability
COI	NACRO	Unit 5D Enterprise Point Melbourne Street Brighton, BN2 3LH	704010	No general meeting space, but enquire for possible use.

## **Woodingdean**

This is in the ward of Woodingdean.

### ***Community Associations***

Woodingdean Community Association. This group runs the Youth and Community Centres in Woodingdean. The committee's membership is taken from users of the building who pay £15 annually to become associate members. The committee employs a bookings person who works 2 hours a day. The Community Centre lease is due for renewal next year and there are problems around asbestos in the building. Chair Cllr Dee Simson. The Association has a sub-committee, the Woodingdean Millennium Committee which, for the past five years, has been seeking funding to rebuild the Centre.

Tenants and Residents in Woodingdean. This group covers all residents living in Woodingdean and is supported by CPO John Bain (Housing). This association runs an enormous number of groups and events. Chair: Patrick Elliott.

The Community Association also run a community internet café, Java at 23 Warren Way. This has an IT suite for cheap internet access and is currently run solely by volunteers. Funding has been secured for a 20 hour post to manage it. Contact Richard Fletcher.

The Youth Centre has been closed recently due to faulty wiring and no money to fix it. It is re-opening shortly due to a co-ordinated effort from the community, Youth Service and police. A short term contract was given to a part time fundraiser, Kelly Kingsley, who has been co-ordinating the effort.

The swimming pool is also run by the community. They have an annual fundraising event, The Woodingdean Carnival. This is a huge event with all the community groups taking part and volunteers running the whole event.

### ***Multi Agency Forum***

No.

### ***Community Newspaper***

Woodingdean Tenants and Residents Association newsletter is published quarterly and has a circulation of 5,000. Contact: Patrick Elliott. It is distributed by a series of around 40 street representatives to the whole of Woodingdean. It is funded partly by Housing and the remainder by advertising.

### **Community Development Worker**

To date there has been no funded community worker in Woodingdean.

The Tenants and Residents Chair reports that they are 'desperate' for the support a worker would provide. There is a huge amount of potential in the area and the danger of too much work falling on too few volunteers.

The Community Association approached the Trust for Developing Communities in 2002 for help in securing community development support. This has proved a difficult task, but the Trust remains committed to support the Association's efforts.

### **NAP/Neighbourhood Audit**

There has been no work since SRB5

### **Buildings used by the Community**

<b>Type</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Comments</b>
CC	Woodingdean Community Centre	Warren Road Woodingdean Brighton, BN2 6BA	685940	Well used. Some availability.
S	Woodingdean Primary School	Warren Road Brighton, BN2 6BB	680811	Hall and rooms for hire
S	Rudyard Kipling School	Chalkland Rise Brighton, BN2 6RH	303328	Hall and rooms for hire
C	Holy Cross Church	Downsway Woodingdean Brighton, BN2 6BD	701940	Very well used hall. Some availability.
C	Woodingdean Methodist Church	The Ridgway Brighton, BN2 6PB	306243	Well used hall. Some availability.

	<b>Venues nearby</b>			
S	Longhill School	Falmer Road Brighton, BN2 7FR	304086	Hall and rooms for hire.
L	Woodingdean Library	Warren Road Woodingdean Brighton, BN2 6BA	296928	Possible room hire, telephone to enquire.

## APPENDIX

### **Some information about grant aid to neighbourhoods**

The following tables are a snapshot look at the way that Council small grants and Can Do funds from the Scarman Trust have been allocated geographically.

The figures were taken from the lists of successful applications for 2003/04. Where the grant pertained to benefit within a particular geographic location it was included.

The small grants schemes have obviously succeeded in being accessible to areas without a worker, as a broad range of areas has been funded under both schemes.

A problem with this snapshot is that data on grants is not kept by any agreed understanding of the neighbourhoods of Brighton and Hove. It may be useful, in the future, for both bodies to collect their neighbourhood data under new agreed headings. For example does 'West Hove' pertain to the Portland and Clarendon areas?

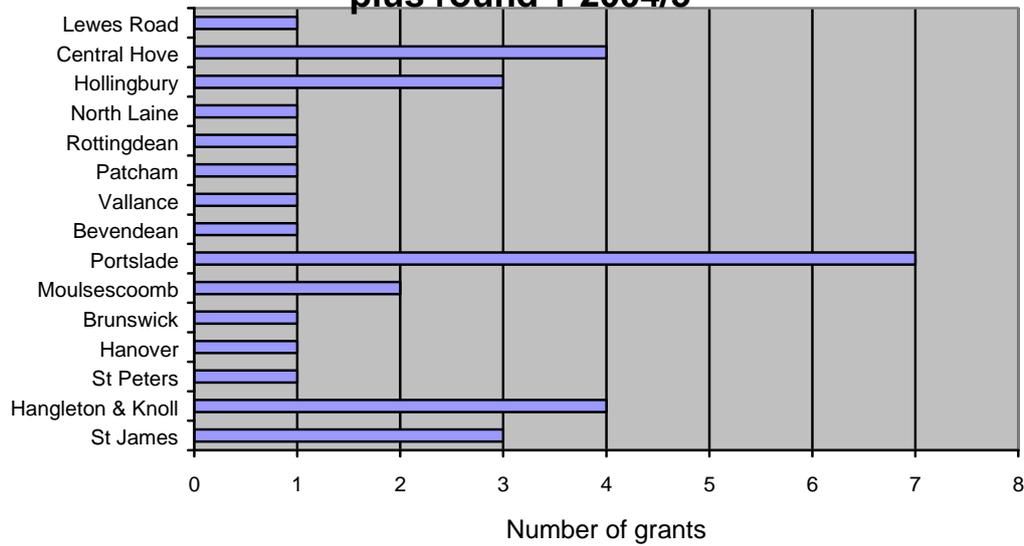
For the Council grants this report has tried to adhere to the geographic neighbourhoods (or parts thereof) as defined by Neighbourhood Renewal. This wasn't that satisfactory as including Lewes Road in St Peters is perhaps not totally accurate. Obviously some of the grants went to areas outside of Neighbourhood Renewal areas of benefit.

However it is most interesting to note the areas that received no funding at all. Out of the 15 Neighbourhood Renewal areas, Coldean, Meadowview, Bristol Estate and Queens Park have had no form of small Council Grant at all. Hangleton and Knoll and Portslade did very well, probably due to the large number of community groups active in the areas, and due to the long term benefit of community development support there.

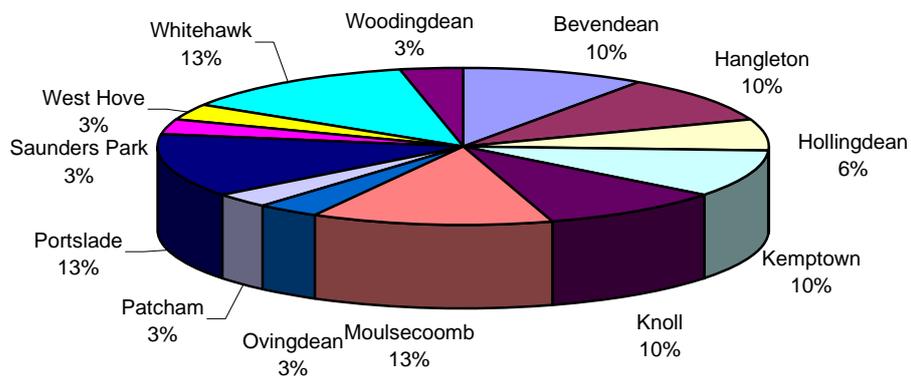
The Scarman Trust also have funded a broad range of neighbourhoods; however the same three Neighbourhood Renewal areas that did not benefit from Council Grants also did not benefit from Scarman, i.e. Coldean, Meadowview and the Bristol Estate.

Hollingbury also did not receive any Scarman grants and this is in part due to the lack of independent community groups in the area. Scarman criteria tend to favour newly established, small community groups.

### Small grants to neighbourhoods (including Hedgecock) 2003/4 plus round 1 2004/5



### Neighbourhoods in receipt of Scarman Can Do funding - Can Do 4





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