

## **Matson Forum meeting**

Minutes of Matson Forum meeting held at Robinswood Primary School 12.30pm 19/5/2009

Present: Penny Mail (Matson Play Project), Mark Gale (Glos Gateway Trust), Julian Hiles (Matson & Robinswood Tenants and Residents Association), Sue Amos (Learning Mentor – Robinswood), Hamid Charafi (Community Police), Maud Swerigen (The Link), Gloria Curtis (Librarian – Matson Library), Kevin Durrant (Matson Baptist Church), Bob Allen (Together in Matson), Brette Browning (Head – Moat Primary), Jo Hammett (Learning Mentor – Robinswood), Martin Latham (Robinswood Primary)  
Apologies: Brette Browning, Jeni Parsons, Terry Elcock

### **Mark**

Architects appointed by Gateway Trust. Programme underway with engineers and consultants. Looking to have conversations with interested groups and residents in June with a public consultation in September.

Willing to discuss with any interested groups before intensive work begins on working with community, planning for jobs, sourcing products from local suppliers etc.

### **Sue**

Very busy time as usual until end of term. These include Sports Days, Activity Days where pupils have the opportunity to try things such as climbing walls, golf, dance machines etc. , Yr6 barbecue, range of visits – London, Caerleon, Black Country as part of curriculum work, School production of ‘Annie’, Flora cooking day and Schools in Bloom. Netball team won the Gloucester Championship and the Samba band has been very busy performing at a range of events including Music for Youth festival in Oxford.

### **Gloria**

Employment of a youth worker has had a very positive impact on Thursday evening sessions with an end to the problems of behaviour.

Poetry Slam as part of Arts event was very successful with a mix of adult and children participating.

26<sup>th</sup> May – Elmer’s Birthday Party and posters are available advertising the event.

Summer Challenge will be Quest Seekers – further details at next meeting.

### **Julian**

Where I Live column – deadline is on Tues each week. It is about what is happening locally. Residents’ website continuing to grow.

Living Memories project to begin soon – interviewing residents and recording what life was / is like in Matson & Robinswood.

Environmental Strategy – will be looking for 10 local champions of the scheme.

In Bloom happening shortly – be in touch with schools.

4<sup>th</sup> June – Community Pride day – raised planters in Winnycroft Lane are main project.

Currently looking as a group to re-open the One Stop Shop as a community venture.

**Hamid**

Tues evenings in Aug they will running sports nights on Matson Rugby pitch for children/ teenagers who are interested.

Mini Copper project to be run outside Robinswood to highlight dangers of parking with parents  
Tag Rugby project with Robinswood pupils.

Cycle Safe day – 3<sup>rd</sup> June at Central – to complement preventing cycling project on Cotteswold Rd.

**Maud**

New Community Family Worker appointed – Jonathan Malcolm.

Summer Fun Day – 16<sup>th</sup> July with them of ‘Safety’.

Partnership Lunch to be held – details soon.

**Kevin**

Arts weekend was very good and thanks to all those who took part.

Action teams have been visiting schools with Kevin.

Toddler visit arranged to Cotswold Farm Park on 7<sup>th</sup> July.

**Martin**

School achieved Trust status – one of only 2 primary trusts across the country. Drive is for ensuring sustainability around key areas of High Quality Learning and Emotional Well Being – partners are Gloucs University, Barnardo’s and Human Givens Institute.

Plans being developed around use of SUDs (flooding) project which is now completed – these will be around a curriculum where pupils take responsibility for the site and what they do. Links to Gateway project are evident and anticipate an involvement in this.

**Bob**

Together in Matson – looking to develop a fitness and dance room at Redwell Centre. Growth of Storm Dance group is significant with need for 2 groups now.

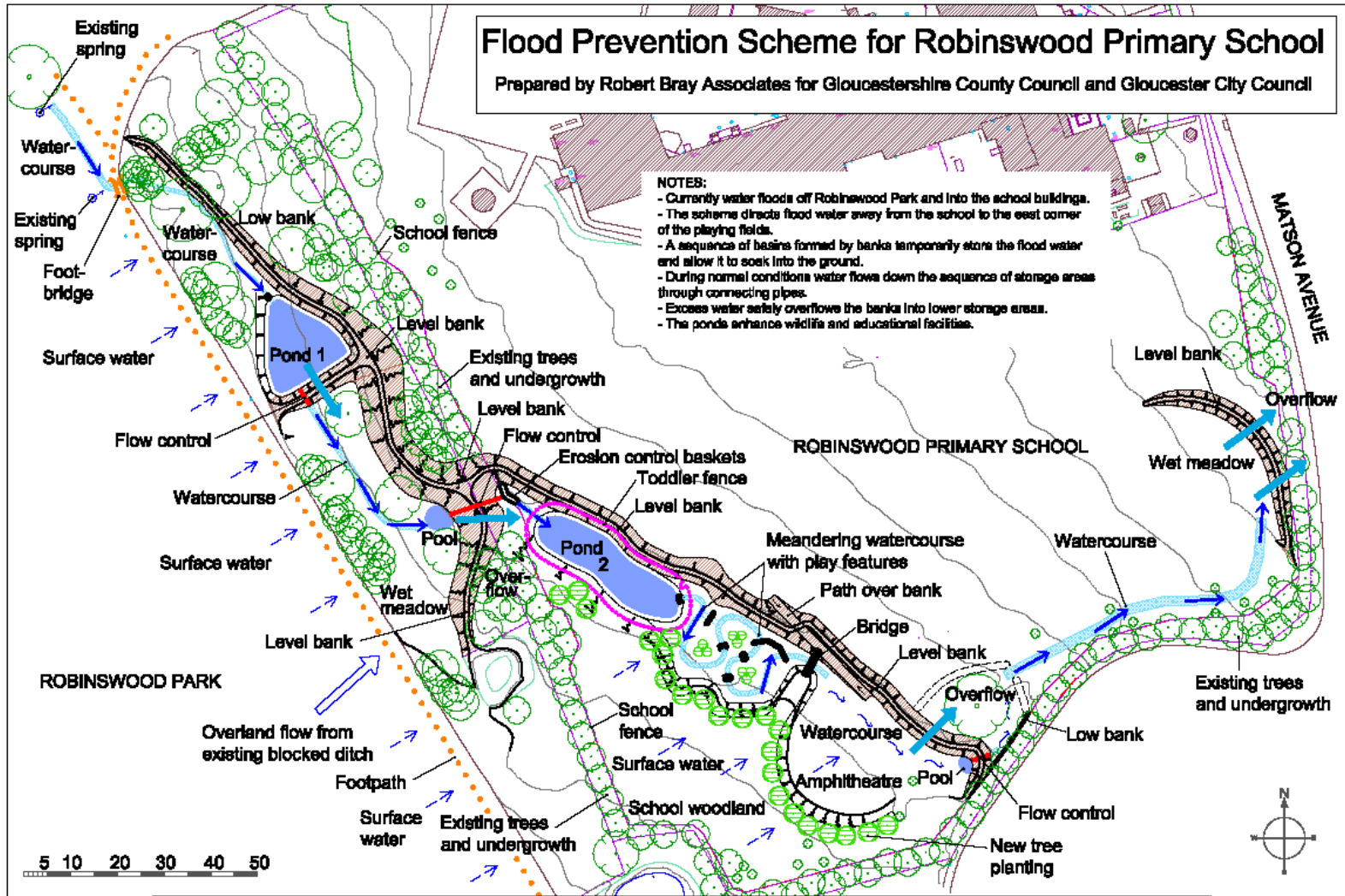
Other activities continuing with increasing uptake.

Range of visits planned and details in Matson Partnership bulletin.

Next Meeting: Matson Baptist Church 14<sup>th</sup> July 12.30pm

# Flood Prevention Scheme for Robinswood Primary School

Prepared by Robert Bray Associates for Gloucestershire County Council and Gloucester City Council



- NOTES:**
- Currently water floods off Robinswood Park and into the school buildings.
  - The scheme diverts flood water away from the school to the east corner of the playing fields.
  - A sequence of basins formed by banks temporarily store the flood water and allow it to soak into the ground.
  - During normal conditions water flows down the sequence of storage areas through connecting pipes.
  - Excess water safely overflows the banks into lower storage areas.
  - The ponds enhance wildlife and educational facilities.



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