There was almost unanimous agreement that another 'Listening Event' for 'young people' needs to be arranged as soon as possible, and some young people have already shown that they want to help with that event.

The Next Step: Follow up event Saturday 22nd June 2013 at 10.00am, Cliftonville Community Centre. This will be the start of us all working together to sort out the 'things that our tough' and build on what you love about Cliftonville.

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'Listening to Cliftonville' Community Event 15th June 2013'

The 'Listening to Cliftonville' event was held at 10am on Saturday 15th June 2013, at the Cliftonville Community Centre. The purpose of the event was to gather the views of local residents about what it's like to live in Cliftonville, with the aim of setting up a partnership of local residents and agencies, to build on the good work already happening and to tackle priority issues identified by the residents.

The Event

The meeting was extremely well attended with over 110 residents joining the meeting, along with the presence of local councillors. The event was hosted by the Margate Task Force and supported by many of the service providing agencies who work in the area.

What did we do?

The event was introduced and fully explained by ex-nurse Hazel Stuteley O.B.E, programme leader for the Connecting Communities (C2) programme. Hazel spoke about the importance of **everybody's** views being heard and the enthusiasm she showed rubbed off on the residents who wrote many 'post-its' about Cliftonville life.

Dave Cloves (NCU Treasurer) enthusiastically told the Cliftonville residents of the experiences of the Newington (Ramsgate) listening event held back in February 2013 and how it has led to the formation of the new community partnership group, Newington Community Unity (NCU).

The consultation was split into three parts. The first part required residents to write down three things they love about living in the area. The second required them to write down three things that are tough about living in the area. The final stage of the event required every resident to place three votes (sticky dots) against one, two or three issues that were of most importance to them.

The Results: Top four, loves and tough things about living in Cliftonville

Loves

Things that make it tough

Beaches and Sea

Dog Fouling

Street Cleanliness

Crime and Antisocial Behaviour

Friendly People

Lack of work

Below are the issues in order of importance to the Cliftonville residents which came out of the event:

Theme Area	Issue	Priority
Environmental	Dog mess (animal welfare)	1
Environmental	Street Cleanliness	2
Anti-social behaviour/Crime	Crime & Anti-Social Behaviour	3
Public Service	Lack of work	4
Alcohol/Drugs	Drugs and Alcohol	5
Anti-social behaviour/Crime	Feeling safe	6
Public Service	Young people	7
Environmental	Fly Tipping	8
Public Service	Cultural Integration (more support)	8
Anti-social behaviour/Crime	Poor behaviour	9

