

Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 2nd December 2009 at 7pm Highworth Library

Present:

Keith SmithSandra RendallMaureen PennyPaul Newton-SmithKen SaundersAlison DurantJo ClarkShirley Colbeck-SmithJoanne CookAnthea BeaumontHelen HarrisJoe Gassman

Peter Arnel

Apologies:

Sarah Olner Claire Smith

2. Election of Chairperson:

Keith Smith proposed by Ken Saunders Seconded by Joe Gassman

3. Election of Vice Chairperson:

Maureen Penny Proposed by Keith Smith Seconded by Paul Newton-Smith

4. Election of Secretary:

Sandra Rendall proposed by Ken Saunders Seconded by Shirley Colbeck-Smith

5. Election of Treasurer:

It was felt that this position be left vacant until sufficient funds are in the account.

6. Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Minutes of previous meeting signed and filed. Proposed by PNS Seconded by SCS

- 7. Matters Arising:
 - 6. KS still waiting to have a meeting with Helen Miah
- 8. Broad Plans for 2010: KS 3 projects
 - Fox Roundabout Peter Hinton has been in contact with Arkells Brewery who is happy to be a part of this project. They will sponsor the fox. This is on HTC agenda
 - MP Fox Roundabout would cost approximately £15-20K. SBC Architect would commission with work starting hopefully May/June 2010
 - Gilberts Alley This is mentioned in SBC Strategy. Ken and Keith will advance this project with investigations. Will probably need to adopt the alley.
 - The Government have made available £7m through Cabinet for 3rd Sector available over the next 3 years for rural areas. We will apply in accordance with the vision in the town plan for Tourist Information Centre (estimated cost £99k). We should ask for more money to include cycleway and other parts of the plan. PNS, JG, HH, KS and MP to meet. SBC ethos is changing in favour of rural, need to get applications in quick
- 9. Members Business:

JG – Would it be possible for Pentylands Park to have a permanent feature to sell coffees etc. Security issues, logistics, SBC planning permission etc. Ken S with Pentylands group who will deal with this with the support of HCPG.

SCS- Library now has face book and twitter, Job Club can join if they wish

JC – HTC have given £3500 per annum towards May Day celebrations

- KS Peter Hinton has stepped down from the committee but will help with future projects, especially the Fox Roundabout. Will write formally with thanks for all his hard work.
- MP and PNS will attend South West Market and Costal Towns Conference on 20th Feb 2010

- regarding Climate Change and Sustainability
- Keith has become a member for the North East Cluster as a voice for the community and will keep us informed. He will also make sure that CP2 works well in SBC. Sarah Tough Chair and Cluster leader for NE will meet with HCPG at our February meeting
- KS apologised that he had gone ahead and applied for a grass roots grant of £500 for the Year of Culture.
- Clivey Project KS had earned £75 so far for HCPG and was continuing helping this project KenS Battle of the Bands 21/8/10 will be taking place at Pentylands. More volunteers needed. 15/12 next meeting. More young groups needed to take part
- British Trust for Volunteers works with unemployed and links them in to doing volunteer work. Pentylands have a weekly group on a Thursday on site. This could be an idea for Job Club people with possible expenses
- Plant a community orchard. 5 trees (apple at a cost of £35 each) have been donated by the Community Forest

Next meeting Wednesday January 6th in the Library