

# Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 5 May 2010 at 7pm Highworth Library

Present:

Keith Smith Alison Durant Maureen Penny Paul Newton-Smith
Ken Saunders Anthea Beaumont Helen Harris Shirley Colbeck-Smith

Jo Clark Sarah Olner

Allyson Jordan Head of Libraries Stewart Mills CPCP Assistant

John Giddings Chair of Friends of Highworth Library

1. Apologies:

Claire Smith Peter Arnel Jo Cook Sandra Rendall

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Minutes of previous meeting signed and filed. Proposed by Jo Clarke Seconded by Ken S

3. Matters Arising:

5. Historic Towns Forum Trying to charge £20 for late cancellation

Clivey Project – KS has invoiced SBC for £300

Swindon Link (PCT Trust, health, social care services) – KS has now been selected to represent HCPG at this forum

Register of Volunteers - KS and KenS to speak to Matthew Pearce: Still outstanding

## 4. Pentylands and Grant Information

• Ken Saunders introduced Ruth Parsons from Woodland Learning. Ruth teaches woodland skills to all ages and uses places like Cuckoo Penn (Coleshill) and the woodland at Northview. As Northview is closing she is considering where she could teach possibly a venue could be Pentylands. Extended Schools (Claire Smith) funds a two day course for 13+, she would like to do a similar course for 8-12 year old but needs to be funded. See attached note for more information

#### 5. Chairman's Report:

- Balance in bank account: £2252.90 of which £780.89 is HCPG. KS still has to put in paperwork for Grass Roots grant of £1000 he hope to have this submitted by the end of June 2010
- WFCAP: Meeting KS to attend, PNS and MP will check availability
- Action for Market Towns membership: Membership renewed. For entry to website: ID 531609J
   Password amtweb (all lower case)
- Car Parking in Co-op: now restricted by external company (now 2 hours Max) after P Poulton's letter in the Link. MP to take up with HTC Clerk why Jane cannot police this carpark
- Shop on High Street No news
- Northview Premises: Consultation meeting at the Council rooms on 13 May at 6.00pm run by Sarah Tough. Motion passed that HCPG will construct a bid to convert into a community venture (Highworth Hub?)
- Library update: Permission granted to erect a notice board in Foyer, SCS to source best possible for funds of £350. Library survey postponed till after the election now June . Desk in foyer pending health and safety.
- Job Club: membership still increasing. Jackie Kerr now attending on a regular basis.

## 6. Vice Chairman's Report:

- Council update: Cricklade road to be closed again Council have asked Borough if firm who renovated it last year are going to be fined for poor workmanship
- Village Green: still waiting for the small gardens to be dismantled and have asked SBC to enforce decisions. Plaque to be ordered (KS) Article in Link for July celebrations (KenS)
   CPCP – update from Sara Tough re Fox Roundabout - still awaiting progress.

## 7. AOB/Members Business:

- HAFFT Presented their certificate to the Mayor (Pauline Webster)
- Medieval Market Day: all agree excellent day any pictures to PNS who will arrange to collate them and put them on view in the council offices
- HH advised that she has been to a meeting of Planning Aid who give independent planning advice and has all the literature should anyone want to make use of it
- SO advises that plans are almost complete for the land and planting at Roundhills Mead but needs volunteers to help with planting possibly disease resistant elm trees

Next meeting
Wednesday 2 June in the Library (to be arranged)