

HIGHWORTH COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP GROUP (HCPG)

Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 4th October at 7pm

The Library, Brewery Street, Highworth

1. Meeting chaired by Keith Smith

2. Present:

Maureen Penny	Keith Smith	Paul Newton-Smith
Sandra Rendall	Alfie Howe	Shirley Colbeck
Ian Young	Tom Aherne	Katy Frost
Joanne Cook	Nicki Coyne	Connar Arthur (Youth)

Claire Smith (Extended Services Co-ordinator, Highworth & Warneford Schools)

Apologies:

Martin Miles	Carly Stevenson	Helie Franklin
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Shaun Vockins

3. Minutes of the previous meeting:

Minutes of previous meeting signed and filed.

4. Matters Arising:

It was decided that when the Group was more focused with a plan Paul would set up the web site including a page for Highworth Community to ask their questions and to view what's going on and minutes.

5. Terms of Reference:

Amendments have been made. Copy to be attached to minutes. Any further amendments to Keith Smith.

6. Questionnaire Results:

Questionnaires were handed out at the Autumn Fayre on Saturday 23rd September. Thanks to the Library, Book Shop and Mortgages Mainly for collection of same. 156 were received back and recorded. From the results it was noted that the lack of shops in the High Street was the main priority.

7. Vision for the Future of the Partnership (Nicki):

We need a Theme – The High Street

- **MP** meeting with Co-op representative about the alley
- **IY** and **SV** to tidy alley with help from youth club, make it a publicity event (Link, Local Paper etc)
- New Year Celebrations – **MP** to speak to Highworth Council
- **AH** to talk to Mike Wilson (re: past New Year Celebrations)
- **KS** to add a paragraph into Novembers Link editorial of the possibility of a New Years Celebration by HCPG
- **KF** to organise children and youth groups to make decorations for Christmas tree lighting ceremony
- **CA** to look into the possibility of a youth band to play at Christmas tree lighting ceremony

8. Members' Reports:

JW, AH and PH had started collating lists of groups and societies in Highworth (104 so far).

9. Grants applied for:

First two grants had been applied for and the third being looked into

- a) Market and Towns Initiative £20K for development
- b) Swindon Borough Council £17K to support the group
- c) Awards for All (National Lottery) offers up to £10K for development

10. Wiltshire Forum of Community Area Partnerships:

A Conference to be held at The Corn Exchange, Devizes on the 27th January 2007. Presentations, Successful Projects etc, a chance to meet other groups and collect ideas and information. Some teaching days for the Group to gain experience and knowledge.

11. Any Other Business:

MP had attended a Swindon Borough Council Meeting for Youth Schemes. SBC were running a questionnaire for Youth and their requirements. **MP** would look into Youth Café for Highworth as there are grants available. (Liaise with Emma)

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.10pm

Date and time of the next meeting is Wednesday 1st November at 7pm in the Library