



**Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 7th June 2017, 7pm
At the Community Centre**

Present: Keith Smith Alison Durrant Sarah Olnier Paul Newton Smith
Ian Webb Sandra Rendall Steve Martin Ian James
Gary Llewellyn

1. Apologies Ken Saunders Alice Douglass Adrian Hares Nick Gardiner
Phil Baker

Visitor:

Welcome: To Ryan Acres our new HTC representative. **KS** gave a brief history of HCPG and its aspirations and the committee introduced themselves.

2. Minutes of May Meeting:

Minutes of previous meeting signed and filed. Proposed by **PNS** seconded by **IW**

3. Matters Arising:

From July:

4. Post Box – KS still to do

8. Puddleducks – KS and **PNS** met with John to discuss costs and if it could be run as a dual community asset. SBC revised business rates would have increased costs to £850pm plus all costs, sharing lease would also not work.

McColls – have had a brick through the window. Architect has said a huge and very expensive refurbishment is needed and has assured that it will be done.

9. Pipelines through Pentylands – they may now miss the Park but go through Crouch Farm land that are presently having flooding issues with Thames Water.

4. Correspondence - none

5. Report from HTC representative – none

6. Referendum Report:

Delighted with the 36% turnout, 70% in favour = 1700 for and 700 against. Opposition was with the Crane Furlong plot. **Q.** Did anyone from HTC monitor social media for comments etc? As there was a lack of clarity before the Referendum with the leaflets and some households not receiving leaflets.

Q. GL – Who took lead with the Neighbourhood Plan? HTC were charged with writing it until final consultation when SBC incorporated it as part of the SBC Development Plan then HTC had no influence. Need to remember that Neighbourhood Plan is material consideration in all future aspects.

7. Programme for 2017:

Town Centre Update – **GL** Rod is preparing a base map then **GL** will map exactly what exists and any proposals. Back in 2009 **KS** and Maureen Penny walked around the town several times to see how the town could be improved, these ideas are still viable.

Tourism – Totally Locally to be shut down and refurbished into Tourism via website/facebook. Also a policy in RA1. Next meeting 15/6. Invite **PNS** regarding website etc.

Again HTC website mentioned, needs updating. Ryan will float ideas with other Councillors whilst voting takes place. Put on HTC Agenda for September.

Care in the Community

SAR attended the Loneliness and Isolation workshop. Speaker was very good and information gathered.

Loneliness covers all ages – ex-military, mental health, youth, homeless, elderly, single parents, and race.

Isolation and loneliness are different.

10% of over 65's are lonely. Need to find out what contributes to problematic loneliness.

'Regulation kills kindness and reduces action' (red tape) we need to challenge them

Ways to include: Neighbourly – just that, Next Door – online locally, Meet Up – just that, Trade School – online, Lions Barber Collective – (Tom Chapman) set up within Hairdressers to talk openly about suicide.

Useful sites: www.basecamp, Swindon Communities Network, Helpful Peeps (Facebook), use WI and U3A more to help visit, Happy to Chat Ambassadors from the Jo Cox Loneliness Campaign.

Red Cross have funding

Debbie Rose, Carer email details from **SM to SAR**

Who do we aim at first? - Elderly

The Vision

Impact statement pending

8. Update on Fox Roundabout:

KS spoke with HTC who have said we can proceed.

HTC to write to SBC Highways regarding lowering the chevrons. HTC finding out cost of chevrons.

Need a process to release funds from 106 monies.

Paperwork needs to be in order

Need to know the deadline for available funds **KS to ask HTC**

Sculpture sorted can be done in 8 weeks

Quarry for boulder is being sourced

Sources of funding – Arkells Brewery sponsor sculpture (minutes 2/12/09 .8), Monies available from Arts (minutes 14/9/11 .8)

9. Members Business:

SM – Centenary of the RAF in 2018. Plane at Centre?

GL - Mobile bank. Not all transactions can be dealt with so still need to go to branch. Lorry rocks when inside. Alan Bishop relaying feedback to bank.

Next meeting Wednesday 5th July 2017