

Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 6th April 2011 at 7pm The Centre

Present:

Keith Smith Sandra Rendall Sarah Olner Anthea Beaumont
Alison Durrant Claire Smith Paul Newton Smith Helen Harris

1. Apologies:

Shirley Colbeck Smith Jo Cook Peter Arnel Maureen Penny Ken Saunders

2. Minutes of the previous meeting:

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

3. Matters Arising:

- 4. KS responded to Norman Edwards letter, no reply received
- 5. WFCAP Conference KS couldn't attend but has asked for papers to be forwarded

4. Correspondence:

- Big Community Vote sponsored by The Coop Community money of up to £2k available to local groups
- HCPG had received a letter of resignation from the committee from Jo Clark. Jo is still happy to assist with anything historical that crops up, KS had replied with many thanks.
- Interfaith tea and coffee morning on 11th April at Stratton Community Centre for all in the North East Cluster
- Community Planning Forum Meeting on May 9th to talk about Core Strategy. Consultation not about content but legal, KS will attend
- poptotheshops.net a new idea for local businesses to deliver their products
- National Work Clubs Network A way of sharing ideas in relation to Job Club, SR to check out

5. Chairman's Report:

- On 8/3 meeting with Stuart Henshaw, Chief Executive of The Rec. If Rec can not accommodate certain clubs or groups they would pass to The Centre, working in partnership with us and vice versa
- Health and Social Care (Dragons Den Challenge) KS attended with a group of health workers
 promoting the idea of "Intravenous Intervention In The Home". Although they did not win another
 presentation has been given and the commissioning bodies for Swindon are interested in taking the
 idea further
- Strategic Conference at Steam 3 minutes on HCA networking. MP achieved a meeting with Celia Carrington on 11/4 to talk about projects not happening in Highworth
- Pentylands Development HCPG not supporting or against. A local town planners concerns are
 that Inspectors will find nothing wrong with the proposed plan (which has been rejected by HTC).
 HCPG concerns are how SBC decide on where to spend the 106 monies, should planning permission
 be granted. HCPG will keep on top of the 106 monies and get HTC on board with this
- Localism Bill Communities and local governance. Small grant funding of £20k available for neighbourhood planning needs, KS has written to Chief Planner SBC, asking have you applied and where we could help spend it in Highworth?

6. Vice-Chair Person's report: apologies sent

7. 2011 Projects:

Highworth Community Centre -

- Disabled ramp in, fencing out to extend car parking on to lower level.
- Probation Service has been in tidying up garden areas and will start painting inside.
- Room Bookings coming along
- Lease still a few points to eek out, now on Version 4, still not signed
- Music Alive their Trustees have pulled their funding, so the group are unable to use HCA, but are looking at other ways of raising the finances

The Fox Roundabout –

Nothing is happening, MP will discuss with Celia Carrington on 11/4

8. Members Business:

Pentylands AGM – Good Year. 2012 Celebrations in Park. To improve the entrance to Highworth SBC have planted 12 new trees at Blackworth roundabout, a total of £6k was raised, £3k from SBC and £3k from HTC – where has the rest of the money been spent?

HAFFT – Official letter from HTC with a complaint that the Samba Band was too loud. Signs for Fairtrade Trade are going up.

PNS – Booklets have been produced and are now on sale to promote May Day

Next meeting Wednesday 4th May 2011 in the Library