

Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 3rd April 2013 at 7pm The Centre

Present:

Keith Smith Sandra Rendall Phil Baker Paul Newton Smith Sarah Olner Alison Durrant Ken Saunders Adrian Hares

1. Apologies:

Shirley Colbeck Smith Suzanne

2. Minutes of March Meeting:

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

3. Matters Arising:

- **3. Fox Roundabout** KS has meeting on 9/4 with Maureen Penny, David Lane and SBC
- **Taylor Wimpey** KenS, Friends of Pentylands attended a site meeting regarding hedgerows at the park. A plan was produced and hedgerows are not being touched. He asked about 106 monies, no real response. Dog walkers are still parking in the lane near to build site, possibility of some landscaping to stop this.

4. Correspondence:

- KS received a reply from Angela Livall accepting his response.
- WFCAP Saturday June 8th a free event on how to value, promote and preserve your community. **KS** will forward further info when he receives any.

5. Report from HTC Representative: AD

- **Sporting Hub** Questionnaires going out in April, they have been revised although not perfect are an improvement. Also includes a question about option for astro turf to be placed at Warneford School. Following consultations an article in the Adver suggests that 57% are in favour of the Hub, residents not sure if this is accurate. Questionnaires will not be going to Blunsdon.
- Taylor Wimpey 106 Monies HTC setting up a working party and will co-opt someone from the community. KS has spoken with David Lane, he now has to write to Pauline Webster on Planning Committee to ask to assist. 1) SBC seem to be planning where monies will be spent without corresponding with others. 2) SBC can no longer afford the running costs for Culture and Leisure, this would affect the Rec and Golf Course. SBC looking for expressions of interest for takeovers or to sell off. Options available could be run by the community (like Cricklade)

6. Projects for 2012:

Highworth The Vision: Meeting on 12/3 had to be cancelled, new one to be arranged **Local Food Strategy: AH** –

- Meeting held, Gail Gibson was unable to attend
- Need to encourage existing businesses to think about and get local producers on board with Totally Locally
- Decided that May Day would be a good way of starting things off with tasters and market research.
 Publicity material to be handed out (HCPG have small amount available for this)
- Main launch in June/July time when we have commitment from Businesses and Producers, involve local media

- Producers within closest distance to be asked first with a list of those further away who are interested. Not exclusion but preference to local.
- Opportunity of using Market. Late night opening of businesses with producers one night a week
- KS using free Totally Locally downloads. PNS to assist with IT

7. Members Business:

KenS – Pentylands AGM on 8th April

PB – mentioned that Locality Teams budget has been cut. The 7 areas may be cut to 6 and staff reduced by 50%. Will find out more at One Swindon Meeting on 12/4

Health – concerns over privatisation, finding out which GPs have an interest in private businesses. We need to fight to maintain our local surgeries

AD - HAFFT cake day on 9/3 was a great success

SO – Church Meeting on 24/4 regarding pews

Co-op garage at Lechlade is offering points on petrol

KS – 4/5 is May Day Market. Shops are very enthusiastic. Richard James would like to get more involved. The current festival committee is standing down, so this could be the last festival if noone comes forward to take it on

Next Meeting will be on Wednesday 1st May 2013, 7pm at The Centre