

Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 1st May 2013 at 7pm The Centre

Present:

Keith Smith Sandra Rendall Paul Newton Smith Helen Harris

Sarah Olner Alison Durrant Ken Saunders

1. Apologies:

Phil Baker Adrian Hares Shirley Colbeck Smith Suzanne

2. Minutes of April Meeting:

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

3. Matters Arising: none

4. Correspondence:

- WFCAP Saturday June 8th, 9.30-4.30 a free event on how to value, promote and preserve your community. This event is being held at Lackham College, book online at www.wfcap.org.uk (email details around)
- Fox Roundabout finally approved after design tweaked by SBC. Dean through HTC will be Project Manager and oversee all building work. Need to find community member to do Fox, should go ahead fairly soon.

5. Report from One Swindon conference:

KS and MP attended, they met SBC new leader David Renaud.

- Daniel Rose presented a study on the volunteer sector which was a professional piece of work, it will be interesting to see what happens with it next.
- Gavin Jones talked about community budgets. Government have decided that if borough councils want to do work, they have to put a bid into government
- Vulnerable people in the community presently one case worker to every nine families
- Employment KS managed to speak with someone regarding problems we see at Job Club and to sort out one of our vulnerable members

6. Report from HTC Representative: AD

- Localities Budget cut with fewer officers, but 7 locations retained. Looking at care in the community
- 7/5 HTC meeting 14/5 HTC election of Mayor and chair of departments

7. Projects for 2012:

Highworth The Vision: Meeting tba. There is to be another consultation on the 6th July regarding new housing within Highworth to include infrastructure of town, roads and transport

Totally Locally: AH

A5 flyer to be handed out May Day informing community of the project. An A5 letter attaching the flyer to go to businesses in Highworth inviting them to a meeting and to get involved. PNS to send flyer to Link

8. Members Business:

HH – Talks about Cycle Track along the old railway line. David Renaud new leader of SBC is interested. There are presently 60 cyclists interested. KS said that following One Swindon Conference it would be worth asking the following questions of Gwilliam Llyod Director of Highways, SBC

- 1. Is there anything in capital works to assist with a cycle route in Highworth?
- 2. Has Highways Department got a preference or a route planned?
- 3. Can you give a ball park figure of cost?
- 4. If no money in Capital Works, obviously not going to happen, but if a route planned, what cost? Should start thinking about a big launch for fundraising
- 5. Ask our Borough Councillors to ask for cycle way to go into the capital budget.

KenS - Community Rooms promoting Pentylands and other similar projects and causes on May 11th

Next Meeting will be on Wednesday 5th June 2013, 7pm at The Centre