

Notes from HCPG Meeting of 5th February 2020

Meeting started at 7.05pm

Present

Keith Smith	Paul Newton Smith	Alison Cross-Jones	Sarah Olnier
Ken Saunders	Adrian Young	Nick Gardner	Pauline Webster
Steve Martin			

1. Apologies: Sandra Rendall, Ian Webb, Ian James: Pauline Webster gave her apologies in advance for the March Meeting.
2. Minutes of January meeting taken as a true record, proposed PNS seconded S.O.
3. No matters arising
4. **HTC: KS** Gave report on the community litter pick (26 people attended) Fly Tipping, scheduled repairs to pavement and road in the High Street, and the discussion on the councils declaration of a climate emergency.
5. **The High Street:** This is on hold at present

The Fox: KS to contact Highways about altering the lighting on the roundabout. This should be run in conjunction with Swindon Street/High Street future proposals.

Christmas Lunch (ACJ): This was discussed Facebook group Highworth Christmas Lunch and agreed ACJ to come back to committee in April. **ACJ** will work with the nurse from the surgery on this.

Town Garden: PNS has been talking to a block manufacturer. The path needs to be measured up and then he will give costing quotes, one for and one without engraving.

In Memory ideas. Framed Certificates Bronze/Silver/Gold depending on how many blocks purchased.

HPCG needs to formally write to David Lane. **PNS/KS**

Contact Ryan Blackwell KenS *update (PW as now spoken with him and he will provided documentation etc. of his families ownership of the plot).*

Suggested the garden be renamed "Memory Garden"

AD Suggested Planting trees possible contact Allied Dunbar.

Men's Shed: AY reported there will be an open meeting on Wed 26th February in Room 1 of the Community Centre to ascertain if there is enough interest / Active involvement to pursue the idea

Mike Cannar has been investigating the old youth centre by the Doctors surgery and is in conversation with Cllr M. Penny.

If sufficient commitment there will be a need for a business plan, affiliation with the Men's Shed Association and a need to raise money.

There are 3 Men's Sheds, located in Wootton Bassett, Faringdon and Swindon.

Members Business:

PNS had been trying to research Highworth cheeses

SM Offered to chase up all the clubs etc. to see if anyone still had recipe's for

Highworth cheeses, Wiltshire green cheese, Highworth ales. KS to speak with Sean Vockins about a Highworth Beer

AY Reported there was an injury in Gilberts Lane as a result of a pothole and asked if anyone knew the ownership of the lane. KS explained the difficulty in establishing ownership as there were multiple owners some of which are unknown.

ACJ Reported that Highworth Now and Then has 1200 members and is 1 year old there is a possibility of a quiz evening to mark the anniversary and to raise money for Highworth Historical Soc/VHL

KenS Advised there was to be a public consultation on how Highworth could reduce its carbon footprint, to be held on 8th of February in The Community Rooms Gilberts Lane 10.00 am to 2.00 pm

Meeting closed at 8.40pm