

# **Minutes of the General Meeting of the Henbury & Brentry Community Council,**

**held on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2007**

**At Brentry Methodist Church**

## **Officials**

Chairman – Ted Marshall

Minutes – Tim Parkinson

## **Apologies**

Apologies were received from Pat Lee.

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming the 20 members present and asking Richard Payne and Dr. Nigel Taylor to inform the meeting about their proposals for the former Swimming Pool site in Crow Lane.

## **1. Proposal for Local Health Centre and on former Swimming Pool site**

The meeting was addressed by Richard Payne, architect for the scheme, and Dr. Nigel Taylor from Bradgate Surgery on their comprehensive plan for developing the site into a health centre complex together with a Care / Nursing Home with 50 places. The plans included combining the Bradgate and Willows surgeries into one with more space and resources and achieving longer opening hours. The Milton Clinic and staff would be located in the same buildings and ample off-road parking would be provided on that part of the site nearer Hazel Brook. Positive comments about the proposal were made by members present but following an expression of concern about the future of the Bradgate site if vacated the Chairman did not ask the members to give the immediate approval to the plan which was requested by Dr. Taylor

## **2. Minutes of the AGM held 19<sup>th</sup> April 2007**

These were accepted by the meeting without dissent as a true record following a proposal by Mark Weston. There were no matters arising not coming up again in the current meeting.

## **3. Treasurer's report (Tim Parkinson)**

Tim Parkinson brought the meeting up to date with income and expenditure since the 31<sup>st</sup> March

and the resulting balances as below: -

<b>Income since 31/3/2007</b>	<b>Expenditure since 31/3/2007</b>
Bristol City Council - £1400 for newsletter	Secretarial - £16.32
Bristol City Council - £600 for notice boards	Hire of room - £16.80
	FOSBR subscription - £10
	Newsletter No.2 - £1358.00
<b>Fund Balances</b>	
Total in bank - £15816.30	
Included in this total are: -	
Youth Shelter fund balance - £1145	
Extend Classes fund balance - £343.32	
Conference Development fund - £1437.54	
Community Facilities fund - £3975.05	
Notice Board fund - £600	
General fund - £8314.37	

He reported that Chairman, Vice-chairman and Treasurer had met to review the finances and likely requirements of HCC supported activities. Resulting from this review he asked the meeting to approve the following: -

Events Sub Group expenditure - £1500 Proposed: Richard Pyle, Seconded: Mark Weston

Newsletter expenditure - £1000 - £1500 maximum if needed. Proposed: Paul Thompson, Seconded :Rosemary Carr

#### **4. Report from local councillor (Mark Weston)**

Mark Weston informed the meeting that the residents were being moved out of Ben Gough House and now 50% had left.

The Crow Lane CCTV was providing 'evidence quality' video records now. An estimate had been made for CCTV around Blaise House but as this was £100,000 no implementation was likely.

He, Mark, was leading an investigation to establish whether the light aircraft from Filton were deviating from their correct flight path.

The former Crow Lane toilet block was on the market with planning permission for two retail units at an asking price of £60,000.

The Yellow Bus school transport was being expanded rather than being closed down as the previous council regime had planned.

#### **5. Community Development (Cheryl Coles)**

Concern was expressed by the Chairman and others that Cheryl Coles was being expected to carry out tasks which last year had been achieved by a team of three. But he paid tribute to the way Cheryl was tackling the workload. This situation was due to be reviewed at a meeting with Iain Quaipe early in August.

Cheryl reported that the Risk Assessment for the **Fun Day** on 31<sup>st</sup> August had been submitted, There was a need to distribute flyers publicising the event.

The **Gardening Competition** had 39 confirmed entries and would be judged by Gary Brentnall, Carol Pyle and Sue Parfitt. A total of 156 people had participated in the initial hanging basket event.

The Sunflower competition need more sun!

The next **Newsletter** was due mid October with a delivery date of 13<sup>th</sup> October. The editorial board was Richard Pyle, Cheryl Coles and Sue Parfitt. The editors are Marianna Pafiti-Georgiou and Olivia Lacy. More volunteers are need for the delivery operation.

The **Over 40s Group** was not meeting as Cheryl herself had no time to devote to it.

## **6. Police report**

This was held over as all personnel were actively engaged in duties.

## **7. Other Reports and Business**

**HA HA** were planning to run childrens holiday activities for four weeks in the Summer with 25 children registered

The **Henbury & Brentry Travel Group** were organising a trip to Berlin with four nights in that city in September and had 15 people registered for it to date. Paul Thompson said that a week long trip to the Croatian Coast was planned for May / June 2008.

Roy Pepworth said that the Walking **Group** was going from strength to strength and now had 4 trained walk leaders. Finance from the Council was not going so well and he would need to take up the previous offer of help from the Community Council.

**Henbury Court Children's Centre** was in the process of being set up and the Community Council was invited to send a representative. Mark Weston agreed to support it

Paul Thompson proposed the setting up of a sub-committee of the Community Council to assess and recommend the optimum overall plan for the community requirements for our open spaces, buildings, facilities and resources. Tim Parkinson proposed that Paul chair this and this proposal was seconded by Mark Weston. The meeting agreed.

Sue Potter said that the work and presence of the PC Support Officer, Abby Elliott-Taylor, was very welcome to the community.

## **8. 2007 Community Council meeting dates**

**18<sup>th</sup> October 2007 General Meeting at 19:30 in Brentry Methodist Church**