## HENBURY AND BRENTRY COMMUNITY COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF QUARTERLY MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2009.

Chairman Ted Marshall
Treasurer Tim Parkinson
Minute Secretary Roy Pepworth

25 people at meeting.

Apologies: Cllr. Mark Weston, Maddy Powell, Carol Simber, Cyril.

Clare Cook and Sue Tunstall gave details of a Government backed, "Inspiring Communities", scheme to encourage middle performing pupils to reach for new experiences that will inspire them to raise their objectives in life. This would be over an eighteen month period commencing in the New Year. This would particularly aimed at pupils in the 11-14 years age group.

Dr Taylor from Bradgate Surgery outlined the position with Bristol Charities and Ben Gough House. They had had an understanding with Bristol City Council that BCC would purchase Ben Gough and it would be opened as a home for dementia sufferers. However BCC decided not to proceed and Bristol Charities are in the process of selling it on the open market and ,as a their first option, would like to use the proceeds of the sale to develop part of the Crow Lane green space behind the tower blocks for a comprehensive health centre and some housing. If they were able to do this they would pay for the restoration of the rest of the green space. He concluded his remarks by informing the meeting that Aldi seem in no hurry to build the store on the Old Swimming Pool site and were not interested in the possible use of the rest of the area they own for a health centre development.

Richard Pyle was strongly in favour of the Bristol Charities proposal as otherwise the value from Ben Gough would be lost to the community, but Chris Pratt was one of many who want no development at all on our green spaces

Janet Smith remarked that Henbury need a baby clinic. Rose Can reminded the meeting we needed a Community Centre.

HENBURY WARD REPORT. The was presented by Councillor Chris Windows .Talks were being held with South Gloucestershire Council over the possibility of using Henbury Station as a new community rail line linking other stations in the city. Henbury Old Boys Football Club were preparing a business plan for the future of the club.

The Methodist Church will be closing the property shortly for possible redevelopment of the site..

HENBURY SCHOOL. Terry Cook has recently been elected as Chairman of the

Governors at Henbury School and reports a steady improvement in examination results.

POLICE. PC Nick Merrick gave a report that there was a drop in reported crime in the area.

FINANCIAL. The treasurer gave an up to date report of the finances. It was approved for the following:-

£2,000 for HA HA Summer Activities

£250 for Henbury Welcome Club

£1000 for Henbury Old Boys Football Club

Cheryl Coles gave an upbeat report on the Search Group and the great success of the Fun Day in August.

The next major event will be the Christmas Crackers event on 15<sup>th</sup> December

Paul Thompson reported that the partnership meetings with Southmead were being held and the next Area Level Council will be in April 2010.

The Futures Group were still meeting regularly.

TRAVEL GROUP. The next tour will be to Rome in December and Morocco in 2010.

HA-HA Will be holding many events over half-term There being no other business the meeting the meeting ended .at 9.12pm

NEXT MEETING THURSDAY 21<sup>st</sup> JANUARY 2010 AT' 7.30PM AT EMMANUEL CHAPEL SATCHFIELD CRESCENT.