

HENBURY AND BRENTRY COMMUNITY COUNCIL.

QUARTERLY MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 15TH JULY 2010.

39 PERSONS ATTENDED.

APOLOGIES: TED MARSHALL,

CHAIRMAN: RICHARD PYLE

TREASURER: TIM PARKINSON

MINUTE SECRETARY: ROY PEPWORTH.

MINUTES for the April AGM & General meetings were approved.

Jane Leslie spoke in her cycle ride around Bristol for fifty miles raising money for street dance group for Henbury. Jane will complete her ride and arrive at the Fun Day event on

21st August and the Dance Group will perform. She still needs more sponsorship.

Nicola Austen Deputy Head of Blaise Primary School gave details on how the school were tackling being in "special measures" with new timetables and curriculum and was very positive.

Matt Dowse spoke about the Participatory Budgeting project funded by the Inspiring Communities and which had £25000 to be spent on ideas proposed by and approved by the community of Brentry and Henbury.

Bador Udin requested a sum of £900 to help establish a football team playing on a Sunday to involve many of the boys not involved in regular sports. The initial signs were encouraging but further investigations were needed. An offer of a set of football shirts was made from an individual. The games were being played on the open space on Arnall Drive. The meeting agreed in principle but further details were required.

TREASURERS REPORT.

The treasurer presented the statement of the audited accounts, which were approved by the meeting.

He explained that due to a misunderstanding the April meeting had over allocated the Wellbeing funds carried over from previous years by the sum of £100. Thus he requested the approval of the allocation of £900 of the residual Wellbeing funds plus £100 from general funds to HABAT for Summer holiday activity support. This was given.

FUN DAY plans were well in hand and support seemed to be good.

POLICE. June saw 5 street robberies and staff had been used to support OPERATION BRAVE.

A report was made that a cyclist was not stopping for the lollipop man which could cause a nasty accident.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP.

Keith Houghton gave details of the work taking place and reported that £1,500 were earmarked for older persons but needed proposals from the Community as to how it could be spent if the money was to be allocated. The chairman asked who qualified and was told anyone over the age of 50. Sam Parker had been appointed as Development Officer.

COUNCILLORS REPORT.

Councillor Mark Weston reported that there was great opposition to the green spaces

situation with meetings being planned in Henbury and Brentry. A proposal to be adopted by the Community Council was put forward by Chris Pratt, the chairman felt this was a little premature but the proposal was made by Chris Pratt and seconded by Bob Farmer and the proposal was carried.

The proposal read:-

The Community Council supports the efforts being made by many residents of Henbury and Brentry to oppose the Parks and Green space proposed plans for the Crow Lane open space, for the Okebourne Road open space and for the Arnall drive recreation area, as they stand at the moment.

Bristol Charities have acquired the Methodist Church site.

Councillor Chris Windows reported that weekend flying would stop from Filton airfield in August and that talks were continuing with South Gloucestershire Council regarding the reopening of Henbury Station. Janet Smith felt that the proposed introduction of bendy buses in Bristol was impractical and expensive and re-opening of the railway stations would be more beneficial.

FUTURES GROUP. Some students from the University of the West of England had prepared a report on the good and bad attributes of the Henbury & Brentry area and also put forward a series of small scale improvements for the Crow Lane shopping precinct..

CONSERVATION SOCIETY.

Two recent topics discussed were 20mph zones and areas and the project to restore the Blaise Kitchen Garden as a Community Garden.

SEARCH GROUP. Jenny Benson reported that the group had outgrown the meeting place and in future all meetings would be in the Scout Hut in Tranmere Avenue.

HA-HA AND HABAT Have now merged and will be known as HAPPY.

LIBRARY No report.

WALKING GROUP. New members joining each week and enjoyed a very good trip recently to Plymouth and another trip to Lyme Regis is planned in September.

TRAVEL GROUP. Everything organised for the next tour.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS. Bristol Community Transport are looking for drivers and training will be given.

HELP FOR HEROES. A coffee morning was being held on Friday 16th July in Brookridge House for this charity.

There being no other business the meeting ended at 9.03pm

NEXT MEETINGS

21st OCTOBER 2010 at 7.30pm at Emmanuel Chapel

David Jones from Bristol Charities will be speaking on the plans for Henbury and Brentry

20th JANUARY 2011 at 7:30pm at Emmanuel Chapel