

## **HENBURY & BRENTRY COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of General Meeting held 20<sup>th</sup> October 2011 at the United Reform Church, Passage Road**

Attendance: 30

The following reports and updates were tabled during the meeting: -

Apologies - Cyril Morgan, Marianna Georgiou and Richard Pyle

Ted Marshall opened a full meeting by welcoming everyone. A portable microphone will be used due to a previous complaint that some speakers could not be heard. Could you all please use the signing in book

Minutes: Proposed and seconded - passed as true record.

**Keith Houghton** - Area coordinator for Henbury and Southmead NP which may soon become Henbury, Brentry and Southmead NP. At the NP meeting it was agreed to ask the BCC to change the name of the ward part of raising the profile and acknowledging the need

The government have produced a new funding scheme called Community First, focussed wards that have significant deprivation/claimant benefit rising 10% increase. They are awarding 7 or 8 wards within Bristol. This money is available until March 2015 for Henbury £33,910 over the three year period. This is very similar to the wellbeing fund that the NP already have. Small grants (£250-£2500) will be available to support work and address priorities within the community. More information will follow. One panel per ward called a Community First panel between 4 and 8 people, to include local residents councillors voluntary sector etc and to have a partner “ a panel partner” anyone in the ward can nominate or set up a panel. KH has already pre-empted and set up a the process by registering this as there is already a wellbeing panel so we could just say H&BCC is the panel partner. Do you think this is ok?

Q & A taken.

Q. How does this link in with a voluntary agency?

A. Guidance is 3% of 10% is £102 of £33,000 to support admin cost. Community

development foundation works like BCC to wellbeing. It has to be a constituted group it has to be fair and Transparent and discharge the duty in a proper way.

Q. Is this goodbye to the wellbeing fund?

A. No it means it's a double pot, the panel has to develop a plan and have priorities, which of course HBCC already have.

Q. Southmead have not been recognised will this not cause conflict?

A. Southmead had a previous grant Neighbourhood renewal that Henbury didn't receive.

Q. I think this idea is well thought out and a good start to get this off the ground.

A. The people who sit on the panel must be 18 or over, ask the youth forum some representative on this, need to check with foundation regarding the youth forum .

Q. Is there a date by which the panel has to be set up?

A. No absolute cut off.

Q. How is this promoted?

A. This is up to the community development foundation through their usual means.

Q. We don't know what's going on at the moment with wellbeing panel so it's going to be the same people.

A. Wellbeing reports back to NP, so perhaps we need to bring to HBCC. Possibility is the panel can make recommendations and bring back to HBCC group approve the recommendation.

Q. Could there be a separate panel, A different process to wellbeing?

A. Maybe think about this, as there is no more wellbeing until next year.

Q. How can someone put their project forward?

A. A simple website that publicises what the funds would do and email account .

Q. Our biggest problem is communication, we need a community notice board

A. Use community first fund.

**Ted.**

### **Clarification and options**

Same group of people on wellbeing panel to do both, next time the wellbeing fund comes up is April so they won't be active in the CDF. Say yes to what KH has said, if then we want two separate groups we can change this by next April. January we can raise possibilities.

Suggestion - Safest way to go. Let's let KH put the same panel up now.

Agreed.

**Treasurers Report  
Summary**

	<b>Opening 01/04/2011</b>	<b>Paid/ Transferred</b>	<b>Received/ Transferred</b>	<b>Current Balance</b>
Newsletter	1,418.55	2,420.00		2,150.00
1,148.55				
Events	1,396.03	1,031.67		250.00
614.16				
Elderly Fund	810.31	529.71	1,038.44	1,319.04
Unrestricted	5,326.64	414.63	10.00	4,922.01
Facilities	3,414.35	0.00	0.00	3,414.35
Safety	1,203.76		0.00	0.00
Participatory budgeting	1,064.25		0.00	0.00
Friends of Crow Lane	0.00	98.55	900.00	801.45
<b>Years totals</b>	<b>£14,633.89</b>	<b>£4,494.76</b>	<b>£4,348.44</b>	<b>£14,487.57</b>

**Receipts since July meeting**

BCC Wellbeing for Newsletter	£2000
BCC Wellbeing for FOCLOS	£900
Fun Day stall rent	£50
Fun Day raffle, stalls, tombola	£700
Fun Day collecting buckets	£277
Fun Day donation	£60
BCC Fun Day BMX	£150
Newsletter advert – Aldi	£50

**Expenditure items > £50 since July**

Newsletter printing	£1005
Fun Day attractions / facilities	£618
Supplies for Elderly Lunch	£117
Hamper	£194

## **Councillors Report by Chris Windows**

### Crossing on Crow Lane

Work commencing next week and should be completed early November. Council will ensure that the crossing Patrol can still operate at school times.

### YIP

This service will retain its current funding. This will be heavily diluted due to the service being expanded from three wards to thirty five wards. This is in effect a substantial cut. Both Mark and myself are very unhappy with these changes, particularly in light of the excellent improvements in Anti-Social Behaviour which have been achieved since 2009.

### Free School

The government has announced that the free school will stay on the current site in Southmead at Burghill Road. This causes a problem as the planning permission was only given until 31<sup>st</sup> December 2012. Mark and I are calling for a public meeting to ask for information about the catchments area among other concerns.

### Green Spaces.

The proposals from the cross party working group, will now be going to cabinet for approval by the executive members and if accepted will then go to the meeting of full council. Mark says he will be happy to speak to people after the meeting if they so wish.

### Charlton Common

There is a planning application submitted to South Glos to widen the access road across the common to 6.3 metres and to add to it a further 3 metres for cyclists and pedestrians. The only exit from this would be onto Charlton Road. We feel this is definitely a no go and both Mark and I have submitted objections. I feel it would be very useful if our residents were able to submit their own objections as soon as possible and we have printed the instructions for people on a hand out.

### Filton Airfield

The city council voted at its last full meeting to set up a cross party group consisting of officers and councillors to meet with South Glos to discuss the plans for the airfield and surrounding land. Any developments which take place would obviously have a considerable effect on Bristol, with our ward being the most effected, closely followed by Southmead. The first meeting will be held on 1<sup>st</sup> Nov 2011. I am the Conservative representative on the group and at our pre-meeting, it was agreed that the first priority will be to see if there is any way in which the airfield could remain open. If this proves to be impossible we will press for the area to be kept for quality employment. We will also make S. Glos aware of the existing problems of traffic, and will resist most strongly any move to make the Mall at Cribbs Causeway a town centre. I will keep members and residents fully updated on progress.

### Youth Services

The neighbourhood partnership is writing to the cabinet member and lead officers. The

funding and the structure are being changed simultaneously and a consortium will be appointed to run the youth services. The NP feels it should have a say on which consortium should come to our area, with reference to the way it intends to conduct its business.

Finally

There are two pieces of news concerning waste collections.

1 - starting some time in the New Year and over the following six months, 240 litre bins will be replaced with smaller ones.

2 - Plastic recycling will now take place across the city and every household will be provided with a special bin for plastics.

The new contractor will also handle street cleaning and weeds will no longer be sprayed but will be removed.

### **Police Report**

No change, no reports of anti-social behaviour. Burglary statistics there is no increase.

Brave will continue. Nick had approached companies for funds.

Well done Nick!

### **Events - Adrian**

Christmas Crackers on Snow Lane 13<sup>th</sup> Dec (Crow).

Christmas Hampers - delivery to follow on from the Christmas Cracker event.

Locating elderly - must be over 70 housebound or restricted travel, alone or couples. If anyone knows anyone deserving a hamper contact Adrian Boyce.

Fun Day - Barnyards Park. Will be held Saturday August 11<sup>th</sup> 2012 (Provisional).

### **Newsletter - Adrian**

Last date for publication of items must be received by 27<sup>th</sup> Nov.

### **Transition Group - No Report**

### **Conservation Group - Tim**

Priorities - AGSP, Kitchen Garden and Hazel Brook

### **Walking Group - Roy**

National Award - please vote. Natural England Programme

Christmas Lunch 15<sup>th</sup> December to Wotton free coach.

### **Travel Group - Paul**

World Travel, next year end of May a trip to Barcelona.

**A.O.B**

**Petals Shop - Maria**

Maria is collecting signatures for improved parking on Crow Lane. This really needs to be addressed Please help, support and sign petitions.

**Fruit Shop empty - Maggie ?** put in a plea for no more takeaways.

Chair Closed meeting.

**Next Meeting Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2012 at 7:30 pm at Bristol Charities Day Centre, Machin Road, Henbury.**