

Headington Committee for Development Action (HCDA)

Minutes for Meeting held on 28 September 2005 at Oxford Brookes University

Present

Bob Clarke (Minutes)
Jill Cummings
Paul Cunningham
Mary Hope
Stephanie Jenkins
Audrey Mullender
Mike Stranks
Arthur Treherne

Apologies

James Bloice-Smith
Angela Cristofoli
Marion Fiddes
Janet Isaac
Tony Joyce
Kat Luddekke
David Rundle
Liz Simpson-Wells
Steve Walker
Stella Welford
Jean White

1. Minutes of previous meeting.

Minutes of meeting held on 27th July 2005. Approved with an amendment requested by Audrey under item 5.2 to read that 'Ruskin College had suggested to the County Council that an area behind Ruskin adjacent to the ring road might be established as an additional park and shuttle facility in the future.'

2. AOB

STAX - Stephanie J.
Our LOGO - Mike S.

3. Storybook Tree in Bury Knowle Park

Mary H. reported that the funding for the tree carving is still £1,500 short and she is pursuing further sponsors.

It had been agreed that work on the seats be slowed down to take account of seeking further sponsorship.

It was noted that the sculpting was now even more relevant as the characters depicted would be included in a forthcoming film.

4. London Road Traffic Study

The County Council have confirmed receipt of comments from HCDA. Officers gave a presentation to the North East Area Committee this month when it was stated the report from the officers would be submitted to the County Council Cabinet at their November meeting.

5. Car Free Day

Stephanie J reported that her efforts to support the event had been thwarted by the delay in the resurfacing work in Cuckoo Lane. It is hoped to support the event next year.

6. HCDA name change

As attendance at the meeting was restricted it was agreed to leave the discussion on the subject of possible change in our name to a "smaller mouthful" to a later date.

This would also allow any possible problems associated with our status with Charity Registration to taken into account.

7. Headington Festival 2006

Mary H reported the 2005 organising group had met to consider another event next year. If a festival is to be programmed our resources are such that it should be confined to the first Sunday in June with no provision for a music programme in pubs and cafes. It was noted that the expenditure on the music had basically been of benefit only to the regular clientele of the pubs and cafes.

Paul C. suggested a formal sub-committee should be formed to cover this subject.

It is important to note that the previously high level of sponsorship by the Co-operative Society might not be available in 2006, funding from Oxford Inspires had been for one year only and that OCC Events Team is not in a position to make these decisions at present.

Arthur T advised that he had been in touch with Cath Greehy who expressed an interest helping with the events.

8. OX3 GUIDE

It was reported that James Bloice-Smith had prepared a Business Plan which he would be presenting to NE Area Committee at their October meeting and would be requesting their financial support.

A draft copy of the plan was reviewed by the meeting and Mary agreed to convey to James certain comments from members.

9. Christmas Fun Day

Jill C. gave the meeting an update of the arrangements for the HBA Fun Day on 4th December and that James Bloice-Smith would be making the arrangements for entertainment.

It was also noted that St. Andrews School Craft Fair event was scheduled for the first weekend in June.

10. Treasurers Report

The Treasurer reported that the current status is:-

£2090 in Current Account

£6369 in Deposit Account

11. Notice Boards

A vote of thanks was recorded to Arthur and Stephanie for the work they have done in keeping the Heading Notice Boards up to date.

Janet Isaac has now taken over managing the boards and has placed a notice advising the public how to contact her

As there is some difficulty opening the boards it was agreed to ask Dave Walker if they could be altered.

12. AOB

- STAX On 29th October there is 'Make a Difference Day' and Brookes students will be assisting Omerod School with practical gardening support. Stephanie asked whether 'Make a Difference Day' is something that HCDA also could get involved in.
- LOGO Mike S. drew attention to a modified HCDA logo, which Stephanie is already using, on the website.

13. Date of next meeting and AGM

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 26th October and incorporate the Annual General Meeting which will be at 7.00 and the general meeting will follow on.

