

Headington Committee for Development Action (HCDA)

Minutes for meeting on 22nd February 2006, 19h00,
Oxford Brookes University, Gipsy Lane

Present

James Bloice-Smith
Angela Cristofoli
Frank Holliday
Mary Hope
Janet Isaacs
Stephanie Jenkins
Tony Joyce
Audrey Mullender
Mike Stranks
Marie Vickers
Stella Welford
Charles Young

Apologies from

Anne Ashley
Sue Baker
Bob Clarke
Marion Fiddes
Kat Luddecke
David Rundle
Arthur Treherne
Diana Townsend

Mary reported that sadly Bob Clarke had resigned from the HCDA as he had suffered a stroke while on holiday and felt he could not continue. She said he had been a stalwart member of the organization and was owed a debt of gratitude for all he had done for HCDA over the years. It was agreed he should be given a token of our appreciation and Mary asked for contributions.

1. **Minutes of last meeting held on 25.01.06.**

Minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman:

2. **Any Other Business**

James proposed a discussion on the Central Parking Zone, and Mary had two items she wished to raise

3. **Matters arising from the minutes**

Election of Treasurer and Book keeper -

Mary proposed and James seconded the election of Charles Young as Treasurer, He was elected unanimously. Charles agreed to talk to Arthur about the handover.

Noticeboards -

Angela reported that no further details had been obtained about the installation in Central Headington or other areas where local resident groups need to sign up to keep the boards in good condition.

Headington Festival

Mary reported that Caroline Duffy had been appointed as festival coordinator. Angela will send everyone her contact details. She will use a mobile phone in order to keep Festival expenses separate from her own. Caroline will come to each meeting between now and the Festival. Funding should be sufficient if given a grant from the NEAC. Sponsorship is needed, possibly from Charles Lawson or Scott Fraser. Mary will discuss the budget with Charles which Kat has agreed to monitor.

Changes to the Constitution_

Angela had circulated a paper. Mary explained that, as some people are not able to come to the meetings, an alternative to full membership or seemed necessary. Angela had highlighted sections of the constitution which she felt needed changing in order to create Associate Membership and define Full Membership. She led the discussion on these sections. Mike suggested amendments which will be incorporated in a document to be presented at the next meeting after consultation with Tony Joyce.

Name Change

Mary had prepared a document which had been circulated in advance of the meeting. She reported that the Charity Commission have a section for a working title on their annual form. The one suggestion of 'Headington Action' was unanimously agreed and could now be used for everyday use. The bank had agreed. Mike said from the news aspect he would like to use Headington Action. Stephanie asked where Marston's needs fitted in. It was agreed Marston should continue to be made welcome, and to decide at a later date if HCDA should incorporate the whole OX3 area. Stephanie will add the name to the website.

Headington Library

Angela had nothing to report except that Stephen Tall and David Rundle are working on the possibility that the County might be interested in the site of the Plymouth Brethren church in Lime Walk for the library which is due to be auctioned on 28th February.

Future Liaison with key stakeholders

Audrey Mullender will speak at the April meeting and Paul Cunningham might speak about Barton at the following meeting. Sue Baker will speak about state schools during a summer meeting. Marion Fiddes had sent round details of the numbers of staff and car parking spaces on the hospital sites which will be filed with the minutes.

London Road

Mike reported that access to, and parking at, the John Radcliffe site will be discussed at Local Residents' Forum on 2nd March. There is nothing more to report on the London Road traffic study except that no action will be taken until the Green Road roundabout work has been completed.

4. OX3 Guide

James reported that 30,000 full colour copies will be available by 9th March. It is likely to be £270 over budget. There could be more financial support from the NEAC. Mary gave details of plans for delivery and asked for deliverers in areas not currently covered. Mike stressed that deliveries should not be started before launch date with the media. He will advise the date.

5. Treasurer's Update

Mary reported that the current balance is £5,031 and she has written more letters asking for money to cover the underfunding of the storybook tree and seats. £100 had been donated by Symm & Co (Oxford).

6. AOB

Central Parking Zone

James asked if members would be interested in discussing the CPZ and suggested an item on a future agenda. Mary asked if Tony Joyce would agree to discuss it at a CCOHRA meeting and report back.

Oxford Inspires

Mary said a special events forum will be held on 9th March which Audrey Mullender said she had already decided to attend.

Art Is Just a Word

This group had been in touch to ask for help establishing an art project in Headington. Agreed to put them in touch with local and city art groups.

7. Date of next meeting

Wednesday 29th March from 7pm - 9pm in the Board Room, Oxford Brookes, Gipsy Lane.