

## HEADINGTON COMMITTEE FOR DEVELOPMENT ACTION

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Notes of the meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> October 2009 after the AGM at 7pm  
Board Room, Oxford Brookes University, Gypsy Lane

Present:

Heather Armitage (Headington & District Allotment Association)

Rosemary Belton (Friends of Bury Knowle Park)

James Bloice Smith (Churches representative for Headington)

Patrick Coulter (Headington Road Runners and Highfield RA when CY absent) – HCDA Chair

Angela Cristofoli (Oxford City Council)

Jill Haas (Low Carbon Headington)

Mary Hope (New Headington Residents Association)

Janet Isaac (U3A)

Stephanie Jenkins (website)

Tony Joyce (Oxford Civic Society)

David Rundle (Oxford City Council Member)

Marie Vickers (Friends of Quarry) – Hon Secretary

Stella Welford (Friends of Old Headington)

Charles Young (Highfield Residents Association) – Treasurer

**1. Apologies** were received from Richard Bradley, Roy Darke, Marion Fiddes and Simon Hunt

**2. Items for AOB and Membership:** Rosemary Belton from Friends of Bury Knowle Park was warmly welcomed. **Items:** Events Guide; Bury Knowle Park; Sewage in Headington Quarry.

**3. Minutes of the committee meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> September:** with one correction to item 7 – replace PC with RD – minutes were agreed as a correct record.

**4. Matters arising from minutes not on the agenda:** HCDA website – deferred to next meeting. **J BS to report**

**5. Lime Walk closure and other transport matters – update:** email received from County Council Senior Transport Planner, Joy White, will be circulated to members of the committee for comment. Agreed that concerns expressed at September meeting be acknowledged. These include; proper consultation before the trials begin, the position of monitoring devices across the whole area potentially affected, and realistic alternatives should the trials “fail.” JI expressed particular concern that local informal research some years ago had apparently been disregarded. **Action – Executive Committee**

**Other matters:** TJ - County Transport Officer report on quality bus partnerships.

JH– confusion about 20/30mph in central Headington. Speaker to be invited to future meeting to report on compliance. **Action - Exec Committee/MV**

**6. HCDA Vision and Strategy Group:** RB, JI, DR and Hon Officers of HCDA to meet and report to November meeting. Other volunteers welcome to attend. **Action PC**

**7. Updates:**

- London Road development – Oxford Brookes Post Graduate Town Planning students will refresh a previous report and produce concepts as part of a community project. Briefing paper has been prepared on area from Pullens Lane to Green Road

roundabout. PC and TJ to attend briefing day with 50 students who will report to County Council. **Agreed:** £100 prize for best pieces of work from HCDA funds.

**Action: PC & TJ**

- Central Headington notice boards to be replaced by County. Angela agreed to keep HA in touch so that they can advise on relocation **Action AC**
- Climate Change March – 5<sup>th</sup> December 2009 - JH reported that Co-op would subsidise 5 coaches at a cost of £5 per member. Contact <http://the-wave.org.uk>
- Headington Festival 2010 – JBS elected as Chair. New committee to be convened. Proposed date, in discussion with OCC Events Officer, first Sunday in June. Report to November meeting. Ideas for theme will be welcomed. **Action – JBS**

**8. Farmers' Market promotion and publicity:** Local estate agent offer to post leaflets now withdrawn. Agreed that CY assess cost of A5 letter-box poster giving dates of forthcoming farmers' markets to the value of £1,100 – cost of advert in Oxford Mail last year. Acknowledged need to promote market both to increase shoppers and to enhance the goodwill of stall holders. Ideas for sites for promotion welcomed. **Action – CY**

**9. OX3 Guide:** MH reported this item as Events Guide. MM has left the area. SJ will post events temporarily. Thanks of HCDA to be sent to MM by email. **Action – PC**

**10. Treasurer's Report:** Annual accounts previously submitted. Current healthy balance. PC reported requests for donations to local groups/facilities. Agreed that there should be criteria for funding. Suggestions were made including ventures that would have long-term viability, be concerned with community development and enhance the Headington area, together with a reserves policy and in line with the Constitution of HCDA. **Action – PC & CY**

**11. Forthcoming Activities:** Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> November 7pm CLC Gospel Choir, Headington Baptist Church. 22<sup>nd</sup> November bulb planting At Bury Knowle Park. Christmas lights and tree confirmed for 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> December – supported by NEAC. Agreed that emerging Headington Business Association need to take ownership of event.

**12. Any Other Business:** HA repeated previous concerns about use of Thornhill Park & Ride by commuters to London. Current users complain that car park full by 9am. Any suggestions should be incorporated into LTP3 consultation for 2030

- AC requested input into Bury Knowle Management Plan 2009 – consultation on improvements. Questionnaires will be circulated by email. **Action – AC/All**
- Sewage leaks into Quarry homes and gardens. MV reported on recent local meetings with representatives from Thames Water, City Council Planning Department and Friends of Quarry representative – convened by Councillor Dee Sinclair. It was agreed that the Director of Public Health be invited to a future meeting of HCDA. **Action – Exec Committee**
- JI reported on the new bus service 700 Kidlington to Headington via Marston Ferry Road and agreed to write to bus company and thank them for providing this excellent new service **Action - JI**
- JH requested a date for Simon Kenton, Headington Environment Group, to address HCDA. To be considered by Exec Committee **Action – Exec Committee**

**13. Date of next meeting:** 25<sup>th</sup> November 2009 at 7pm Oxford Brookes Gypsy Lane Campus Boardroom. Dates for future meetings – last Wednesday in the month 7pm-9pm (August/December no meetings. All at OBU Gypsy Lane Boardroom.