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Heathfield Partnership Executive

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 25 October 2016 at 6p.m. at The King's Church.

<u>Present:</u>	Colin Williams	-	Chairman & Trustee
	Margaret Hughes	-	Churches Together
	Peter Bailey	-	Trustee
	Tim Williams	-	N/Watch (Waldron) - 1 st Responder
	Cllr. Jean Holmwood	-	Parish Council
	Mike Hepworth	-	Age Concern
	Laura Heales	-	AIRS
	Joanne Aldous	-	Town Co-ordinator
	Sheran Crichton	-	Minute taker

1. Apologies:-

1. Were received from Cllr. Rupert Simmons, Joanne Aldous, Tim Hough, Richard Karn, Ruth Waller and Lyn Plant.

2. Minutes of the meeting held on 5 July 2016:-

1. The minutes were accepted and signed as a true record of the meeting.

3. Matters Arising:- (to save duplication, please consult the previous minutes if clarification is needed)

1. (4.(a)b) Swimming Pool. Trevor has contact with the developer of the Beehive Development and will hopefully ask him to lobby for council funding. **Trevor will also give Richard an introduction to Sussex Homes...REACTION**

Homes...REACTION

2. (14.3) U3A. Lyn will let Mike have information on U3A so it can be placed in the next Age concern newsletter...**REACTION**

3. AIRS. (3.a) They are going through their own process at the moment and will consider the offer of membership of the Partnership Executive.

4. Sport & Leisure:-

(a) Swimming Pool

1. The following report was read out:-

a) Rather than meet with WDC in the first instance it became clear shortly after the planning meeting that Wealden have commissioned their own review of leisure facilities across the district linked to proposed housing development. Richard had two conversations with the report authors ensuring that the position in relation to pool provision and the status of our own project is clearly set out within this framework. The document will be published in due course however, the authors were unwilling to release a copy of this until such time as it has been received by Wealden.

b) Since our meeting the proposed development at Heathfield Park has been tabled and extensive consultation is being undertaken by the agents and owner. It is clear from this that there is no contribution planning from

4. Sport & Leisure (Cont'd):-

(a) Swimming Pool Report (cont'd)

the development towards a public pool however a pool may be constructed as part of the accommodation complex being planned - further details are awaited and this is a clear pressure point to apply - the ideal outcome would be a public pool available for use without charge by visitors to accommodation in the Park rather than an exclusive facility. **Richard will write to Freedom Leisure and see if there is any update on the plan available....ACTION**

5. Financial Report:-

1. The balance as at October 2016 stands at £66,533.66. **The report received at the meeting was incorrect. Joanne will bring a copy of the correct report to the meeting in January 2017...ACTION**
2. As made by the IT committee, it has been decided to make links free to business websites from www.heathfield.net, currently reimbursing those companies who had paid for the year, 6 months
3. A £100 donation was made to Kings Church for hire of the room for the year.

6. IT Report/Website:-

1. As above, free links to business websites have now been set-up
2. There have been 5,000 hits per month.
3. Facebook and Twitter - a separate meeting has been held to discuss ways to increase hits/tweets.
4. There was an issue with renewing the domain name but this has been resolved.

7. Farmers Market:-

1. The following report was read out:-

There were the following number of stalls at the markets held since the last Executive, 12 in August, 14 in September and 16 in October. The Silver Band attended the July market and has asked to come back for the December market.

The HCC Swing band has said they should be able to attend the November market. This market will be advertised as the Christmas market and so far 18 stalls are booked and BBC Radio Sussex are also coming along early in the morning (details to be confirmed).

After consultation, it was agreed to keep the market at its current location.

The storage of the trailer was moved to another location in August and the new cover is now in use.

The stallholders are now aware that from January 2017, the cost of the stalls will be increased by £2.

Unfortunately it was not possible to switch to a cheaper insurance provider.

8. Inward Investment:-

(b) Incubator Units:-

1. There was a suggestion that if there is light industrial use in the Heathfield Park, the incubator units could be considered.

(a) Broadband:-

1. The centre of Waldron is now up and running.

9. Transport:-

1. A meeting has not been held since the last Executive meeting. One trip was undertaken to Chessington World of Adventure on 16 August.

10. LAT:-

1. A special meeting took place in September with Chief Inspector Robert Leet to discuss the closure of the Police Station and re-assignment of the PCSOs.
2. Offenders were found and dealt with quickly regarding the Mill fire.
3. It is planned to open the tunnel in the spring.

11. Street Pastors:-

1. There was no report.

12. Churches Together:-

1. **Christian Aid** - The sponsored walk in September raised £500. On 18 October they held a question and answer session in the Coop car park regarding climate change.
2. **Books for Schools** - Every child leaving primary school received a copy of 'It's your Move' - even a boy who had only come during the last month!
3. **Le Marche** - Lunches at the Union Church were a success, with numbers boosted by a group of French cyclists pre-booking.
4. **Cafe Church** - The last session was held at the Community Centre, due to falling numbers making the coffee shop expensive. It was attended only by adults, but enjoyed by those attending.
5. **Future Events** - United Services 6.30p.m. 13 November - Christ Church Horam
Autumn Social - 10 November at The Bear Inn, Burwash
Cafe church 26 January - Community Centre 6.30p.m. for 7p.m. This remains under review due to a fall in numbers.

13. Heathfield Works!:-

1. The following report was read out:-

The last committee meeting was held on 6 October. Carolyn Fogg, from Hailsham Works!, has joined the team. Short Hailsham only cohort has taken place during the summer. Cohort 21 started on 6 September and finished on 15 November. The Graduation ceremony is being held on Tuesday 6 December at Punnetts Town Village Hall. Rupert has been successful in getting ESCC to contribute 20K.

4. U3A:-

1. There was no report.

15. Responders' Scheme:-

1. The scheme is going from strength to strength, with nine Responders active in the area of operation which extends from Hadlow Down to Rushlake Green and Horam. There has been interest in Mayfield.
2. The aim is to equip fifteen Responders in total once trained, and to provide instruction for the public in cardio-pulmonary resuscitation and the use of Public Access Defibrillators (PADs).

15. Responders' Scheme (cont'd):-

3. The scheme has been well supported by Rotary, the Chamber of Commerce, Sussex Community Foundation, the Co-op and Waitrose amongst many others. We are grateful to all our donors and the general public especially.
4. **Chairman, Tim Williams, agreed to advise Mike Hepworth of the sites of PADs, so these can be advised on Age Concern buses.....ACTION**
5. A new Secretary and Treasurer are being sought and if necessary, the posts will be advertised.

16. Age concern:-

1. Ninety car journeys have taken place to date and the new bus has still not arrived despite being ordered two years ago.

17. Chamber of Commerce:-

1. The following report was read out:-

A second open meeting was held on 8 August but with poor attendance. Only 3 shops replied yes regarding the loyalty card so the scheme will not be proceeding, A third open meeting will be held on 14 November (to discuss the Christmas event) and depending on attendance, a decision will be made about continuing these meetings. Two committee member spaces have been filled by the two ladies from The Pet Food Shop, Station Road.

Christmas Event - This will be held on Saturday, 3 December. This is being organised by Elaine Bird and Kim Wright from The Pet Food Shop. There will be a grotto, stalls dotted throughout the town (kindly provided free by the Farmers' Market), primary school choirs, a shop window front competition and some entertainment.

The Wealden Expo was held on 19 October and was well attended, busy and with a good atmosphere.

18. AiRS:-

1. The Volunteer centre is developing and well supported when needed.

19. Public Relations & Marketing:-

1. The book was available for perusal.

20. Any other business:-

1. John Tolley has now resigned as Director and has moved out of the area. Trevor Goldsmith will take over the role of Vice Chairman and Peter Bailey has joined the Board as Company Secretary.
2. In his role as Age Concern organiser, Mike Hepworth has found that some elderly people need help and there does not seem to be an organisation that can help them. **Laura confirmed that Adult Social Care Services have a 'safe guarding team' and will email Mike their details.....ACTION**
3. **After a discussion it was agreed that the problem needed a more coordinated approach so Jean will bring it to the attention of the PCC. Laura will also bring it to the attention of AIRS and explore any available funding.....ACTION**

21. Dates of the meetings for 2017:-

1. The following dates for the Tuesday meetings at 6p.m. at the Kings Church are as follows:-

24 January 18 April 25 July 24 October

These dates will be confirmed at the January meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 6.50p.m

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