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Heathfield Partnership Executive

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 24 April 2018 at 6p.m. at The King's Church.

Present:	Colin Williams	-	Chairman & Trustee
	Margaret Hughes	-	Churches Together
	Lyn Plant	-	U3A
	Laura Heales	-	AIRS
	Cllr. Rupert Simmons	-	Trustee
	Leigh Lonsdale	-	H/field & District Volunteer Centre
	Joanne Aldous	-	Heathfield Partnership Co-ordinator
	Sheran Crichton	-	Minute taker

1. Apologies:-

1. Were received from Peter Bailey and Tim Hough.

2. Minutes of the meeting held on 16 January 2018:-

1. Once Agenda Item 4.1 was changed as follows:-

'No real movement has happened. The Planning strategy was initially published by WDC, having established 15km of intended 'no development' of commercial or housing on the grounds of pollution to the Ashdown Forest. Bringing forward any planning development would be put on hold.'

2. Also Agenda Item 7.6 was changed as follows:-

'El Banda Burro performed at the November 2017 market.'

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. There were no matters arising.

4. Sport & Leisure - *Swimming Pool*

1. The Board have given the Chair of the Sport & Leisure permission to talk to a professional fund raiser to consider bringing in their contacts into play. 3.5 million needs to be found.

5. Financial Report:-

1. Finances are reasonably secure, the Board having met and the financial viability of the trust is confirmed for

6. IT Report/Website:-

1. The website is receiving on average, 6000 hits a month.

2. The committee is aware of the new GTPR (Data Protection) and will be including the relevant requirements.

7. Farmers Market:-

1. Stall numbers January 11, February 20, March 15 and April 15.
2. There have been 12 enquiries since the last meeting as follows:-
Six booked, 3 declined and 3 confirmed but not booked.
3. There will be more entertainment at the market - 3 bands (El Banda Burros, Heathfield Silver Band and Warbleton Brass Band) each playing twice through the year and hopefully there will be a choir at the Nov/Dec market
4. A new cake lady has been found selling reasonably priced cakes.
5. A new egg seller came in February but has decided not to continue, so Coopers Farm is going to sell eggs as well as sausages.
6. Paperwork has been produced for the hire of equipment and a risk/health and safety form.

8. Inward Investment:-

1. The board is increasingly concerned about the rent levels for Heathfield retailers and is setting out to try and discuss the situation with the five primary landowners.

(a) Broadband:-

1. Waldron is now connected and there is 96% coverage throughout the County.

9. Transport:-

1. There was no report.

10. LAT:-

1. A meeting will be taking place on 18 May the following points will be raised: -
 - a) Illegal parking on double yellow lines and pavements and how to enforce.
 - b) Concern about policing in the community.
 - c) Information about resources.
 - d) Criteria procedure used for reported crimes.

11. Street Pastors:-

1. There was no report.

12. Churches Together:-

1. The following report was made:-

Refugees - As at our March meeting we had heard nothing regarding the offers of help we forwarded to Maria Graves. We understand she has been replaced. Ray Cade was following this up and may know more.

12. Churches Together (cont'd):-

Easter Events - The Lent Reflections were attended by about 50 people most weeks and were much appreciated.

The Good Friday Service and Walk of Witness were well attended, filling the Union Church and about half the people walked along Heathfield High Street, with three stops en route for readings prayer and songs. We returned to the Union Church, somewhat wet, and much appreciated hot drinks and Hot Cross Buns!

Ask Horam - was to be an event organised by Horam Churches with meetings to answer and discuss various questions 'about God' provided by residents. (Does He exist? The problem of Pain and Suffering; Is religion the root of all evil?)

On 20th May the Christian Motorbike Association is coming to Horam

Meeting Point - This presumably took place at St George's Parish Room with a talk 'Christian Culture vs Today's World' by Rebekah Dorner from the Darveil Community

Future Events -

United Services - May to be arranged. 24th June 6.30pm Cross in Hand Methodist Church

Annual General Meeting - Tomorrow 25th April 7.30pm Cross in Hand Methodist Church where the future of CTH will be discussed

24 Hour Prayer Vigil - 4th & 5th May, St Richard's Church

Sanctuary Space at Heathfield Show - providing a place for dealing with babies and children for a time and also a place to sit down and rest

The Turning - 4th - 9th June - people to be out on the streets talking to and offering to pray with people. This is not just happening in Heathfield but throughout East Sussex and further afield

13. Wealden Works:-

1. There is now the question of policies and procedures, recently changed by National Legislation, and a Policy is being produced to ensure that compliance is in place for another year. It is hoped that by the next meeting, policies for all occurrences will be in place and a guidebook will be available for each member of staff.

14. U3A:-

1. U3A is flourishing and now has 170 members.

15. Responders' Scheme:-

1. There was no report.

16. Heathfield & District Volunteer Centre:-

1. Ann Kenward resigned in February due to personal reasons. Andrew Walker is now Chair. Various IT and Risk assessment are being discussed. The Centre has had several meetings with the P.C. Investigations are under way to alter the PC lobby so that access to the Centre does not go through the office.

17. Age concern:-

1. There was no report.

18. Chamber of Commerce:-

1. A fashion event due to take place on the 3 May was cancelled due to lack of ticket sales.
2. Three committee members run the Business Development Group which is run with different speakers.

19. AiRS:-

1. AiRS is in the process of change having sold their building and moved, temporarily, into offices in Lewes.
2. The long standing director of Services has retired.
3. 'Men in a Shed' is supported by AiRS and hopes to meet quarterly, but they are having problems finding a suitable venue.

20. Christian Aid:-

1. The following report was made:-

Lent Lunch on 10th March raised £180

Christian Aid Week - 13th to 19th May

Collections in Heathfield Thursday to Saturday that week

Coffee & Cake morning - All Saints Old Heathfield 15th May 10am

'Big Brekkie' 19th May - Welcome Church

Cuckoo Trail sponsored Walk - 22nd September

21. Brighter Heathfield:-

1. There was no report.

22. Public Relations and Marketing:-

1. The folder was available for perusal.

23. Any other business:-

1. There were no reports.

24. Dates of the next meeting:-

1. The next meeting has been arranged for Tuesday, 17 July 2018

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.15p.m.