

Holmes Chapel Partnership Meeting

Held on Wednesday 25th April 2012 at 7.00 p.m.
at the Victoria Club, Holmes Chapel

Present: Jacqui Barton (JB), Glyn Chambers (GC), Jess Cragg (JC), Stuart Gammon (SG), Les Gilbert (LG), Steve Ranger (SR), Hazel Sutcliffe (HS).

Apologies: Alison Dale (AD), Phil Hargreaves (PH), Heather Jones (HJ).

Resignation: SG had received an e-mail from Alison Dale resigning from the Partnership mainly due to personal reasons.

1. Previous Minutes/Matters Arising

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 28th March 2012 were approved apart from amendments received from AD in connection with the Jubilee events to be held at The Victoria Club on the 4th June, these are to be a traditional sports day, followed by a barbecue with the concert to be televised in the evening.

Actions from Previous Meeting

SR is liaising with the PC in respect of the display boards for the Village Fair.

HS is collating the cycle material.

GC/HJ liaising on wording in connection with the Partnership.

GC to liaise with HJ in connection with the Diamond Jubilee Walking Week. HS reported that HJ is using the cycle maps provided and that some of her U3A colleagues were testing out the walks. It was agreed to defer the Jubilee walk for the time being.

2. Village Fair

Cycle Project – HS is collating the display which will show the new map and route descriptions and will probably require one board for this.

SR reported that the Dane Valley display was currently in the Library and would be re-used for the Village Fair together with some information on the Jubilee events.

SR agreed to look at a display from the recent traffic survey but felt that there was probably not enough information for this.

NG has for 3 boards in connection with the Play Area as more material had been received from Playground Markings Direct.

SG had been approached by Home Grown in Holmes Chapel asking if they could use part of our pitch – this was agreed.

Proposed Vision – GC to e-mail SR and the Partnership with this, requesting comments. Another meeting is due to be held on 28th May when hopefully this will be agreed.

The following members had indicated they would be available for the day:

SG, HS, JB, SR (part), JC John Clowes to be there on behalf of the Dane Valley Project. LG to check his availability.

It was agreed that a bottle of wine be purchased as a thank you for Dave Monks for his help and loan of the gazebo.

The cost of the pitch (triple) is £50 although we may only use the size of a double, it was agreed that as we had originally requested a triple pitch we would still pay £50.

4. Funding Update

SG confirmed that we have been officially informed that £8,000 has been awarded to us from CEC. SG to ask PH to check if this has reached the PC account.

CEC have expressed a wish to liaise with each partnership in respect of supporting goals set out by CEC, this was agreed.

Action: SG to speak to PH to check PC bank account

5. Project Updates

Cycling Village – HS had received a quote for the printing of the new maps of £1,200 for 5,000 and would speak to the printer again to obtain further quotes for a fewer number. From a discussion she had had with Alan Lawson, it seems that matched funding would probably be available from LAP as the cycling maps included cycling routes in other areas (Sandbach, Middlewich and Swettenham).

HS reported that she had visited Hermitage Primary School and had been informed that they are holding a Bikeability training Event on the 14th/15th June and that a cycle ride may be organised for the following Sunday. HS to also approach HCPS who are also organising a Bikeability Event.

HS asked GC if there was any grant funding available in respect of cycling via education e.g. to encourage schools to take up safe cycling to be used for infrastructure, signage and road markings etc. It was thought that perhaps the Health Authority may provide funding together with the LA in an effort to promote exercise and combat obesity.

Dean Grice (Health Centre Practice Manager) has offered to allow us use of their waiting room TV display to promote the cycling project. It was agreed that he should be invited to join the Partnership. SG to e-mail Dean.

GC was due to attend an LAP the following evening and would raise the question of matched funding.

It was agreed that publicity would need to be carried out in respect of the new cycle map.

There was a discussion regarding the recent damage to the cycle shelter. SG reported that she had reported this to the Police and he had received a visit from the PCSO to follow up the incident and would hopefully be seeking permission from her superior officer to view CCTV footage.

JC suggested that the vandalism could be addressed at a school assembly as this had been successful in the past. It was agreed to ask the PCSO (and possible Ins. Mark Gammage) if they would be prepared to talk to the school in this respect. SG to speak to Inspector Gammage and PCSO Smith.

Actions:

- HS to approach HCPS in respect of their proposed Bikeability event
- GC to find out about grant funding via Education/Health Authority
- SG to e-mail Dean Grice re joining Partnership
- GC to raise question of matched funding at LAP meeting
- SG to speak to Police regarding cycle shelter vandalism

Play Area – GC reported that the PC has accepted the fact that the asset is not going to be transferred for the time being. The procurement rules are to be forwarded to NG in order that he can submit tenders. Once the tenders have been received they will be returned to the Partnership who will make a recommendation to the PC. It is proposed to make 2 applications to The Big Lottery, a small one in June followed by a more substantial bid in September.

Dane Valley – GC has applied to the William Dean Trust in respect of two grants (£500 in total) to provide fruit trees for a copse on behalf of Home Grown in Holmes Chapel and to replace a mature tree in the centre of the Village, both being part of the Jubilee Planting Scheme.

Love Local Life – GC reported that he had spoken to David McGifford who has agreed to contact Nigel Player, Peter Capps and traders direct to talk to them about the Love Local Life scheme, hopefully being able to resolve the issue.

6. 2012 Events and Projects

Diamond Jubilee – SR reported that he is in discussion with the PC in respect of insurance and is waiting for a list of organisations taking part in order that the risk can be assessed. The PC has £5m PLI cover at present.

SR reported that the final list of participants would be prepared the following day. The Wine Club/leisure Centre would be liaising as far as a Licence is concerned.

Two banners have been ordered and permission has been received to erect one at the Church and it is hoped that permission will be received to erect the other one on the Precinct.

A note is to be given to every child in the primary schools to take home informing parents of events.

The local press are to be notified together with an item to be inserted in the Village Magazine. The Website is to be updated as soon as possible and it was agreed that information would also be added to the Partnership website.

GC reported that the Beacon had been cleaned and was ready for collection. HS offered to collect this as she was visiting the North East in the near future. GC to arrange to e-mail HS with the details for collection.

Proposed Music Event – It was agreed that this would be postponed for the time being with the possibility that it could be held in July.

7. Any Other Business

GC had been speaking to Denis Oliver at HCCS who had informed him that a meeting room was available for use at the school. It was agreed that this was another way of securing publicity for the Partnership and that we should try and book this for our next meeting dependent upon cost.

There was a general discussion regarding the development of a community/sports centre. It was agreed that a larger group to include local sports clubs/Music Society, Partnership and other interested parties be formed with a view to bringing this project to fruition.

8. Date of Next Meeting

The next Meeting is due to be held on Wednesday 23rd May 2012 at 7.00 p.m. – venue to be confirmed.