

HERNE & BROOMFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting of Herne & Broomfield Parish Council Community Centre Committee held at Wootton Room, Herne Mill, on Thursday 27th March 2014 at 7.30pm, for the purpose of transacting the following business.

Present: Cllr Davis, Cllr Blatherwick, Cllr Robert Jones, Mabel Wright, Alan Ratford and Linda White.

Not present: Cllr Day

12/14	Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Tony Day.
13/14	The minutes of the meeting held on 6 th February 2014 were agreed as a correct record.
14/14	Declarations of interests and requests for dispensations. None
15/14	Matters Arising. Cllr Day has set up the web site and Cllr Davis is taking it forward, the clerk suggested that the events that are planned should go on the web site.

Public adjournment

The meeting will be adjourned to allow members of the public to speak about items on the agenda.

Name and address to be given

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16/14	<p>To report on the progress of the new Community Centre, discuss the planning application, the visit to the Christian Centre and works carried out on the existing land. The final tweaking is being done to the planning application, the clerk had the most up to date drawings for members to look at, which showed some slight alterations to the orientation and position on the plot. Due to some costs being slightly more expensive than originally expected, discussions with Andrew Walker, Epps and Matt Judge, Cllrs Davis and Blatherwick, at the last project group meeting, there were a few suggestions to reduce these costs but keep the initial design intact. Cllr Blatherwick went through the latest set of drawings with members and explained the changes that had been made.</p> <p>As most members were aware there was a visit arranged to the Christian Centre in Seasalter on 27th February to look at the premises they had built and how they had furnished it etc. It was very interesting and they had got a lot for their money. They had to extend their kitchen after the building was completed as it was not big enough, they did have a proper industrial kitchen in order to serve lunches etc. Their main hall was much bigger than is planned for our Community Centre, they also had smaller rooms which were used by separate groups. Most of the members who attended felt there was a lot of wasted space in the entrance lobby area and was very stark.</p> <p>The allotment plot behind the existing hall has now been purchased by the parish council and the fencing will be moved fairly soon. We hope to have a skip to clear up all the rubbish that has been left behind and will need to organise a work party to do this.</p> <p>The tree survey showed some trees needed to be removed, CCC were given</p>
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	<p>the statutory notice and the three trees were removed earlier this month. An additional topographical survey was commissioned to cover the additional area. An archaeological desktop survey has been completed and the biodiversity risk assessment report has also been updated. Southern Water have also supplied details of the pipelines supplying the area.</p> <p>Cllr Davis added that Viridor had now been repaid and that she had completed all the paperwork, which meant a solicitor only had to be paid do to the official identification of the parties involved. The confirmation from the Land Registry has now been received, which included the change of name from the Catholic Hall. A soil investigation will be started once all the quotes have been received.</p>
17/14	<p>To discuss fund raising events that have been organised and organise helpers. To date several fund raising events have been scheduled in. Firstly there is the Beetle Drive to be held on 26th April, help will be needed with teas and coffees during an interval period and members are asked to try and get teams booked as soon as possible, tables of 4 or 6. Cllr Taylor, who had been invited to attend, was asked to explain how a Beetle Drive was run, which she did. It was agreed that the prize for the winner needed to be suitable for a child or an adult.</p> <p>Cllrs Robert and Tracey Jones have agreed to run a Bingo Night on 24th May at 7pm. Help will be required with this, someone on the door will be needed as there is £1 entry, then someone to verify a win, someone to give out the cash prizes, etc as well as serving teas and coffees. The clerk asked for volunteers to make cakes for these events which would be most appreciated. Books of tickets would be sold at £1 this covers 5 games, which will be one line and a full house on each ticket</p> <p>On 31st May there is a Cakes and Crafts Fair. Stalls will be charged £10 and the event is from 1-3pm, members were asked to publicise the event and try and get stalls booked. It is hoped that we can have a book stall so help for that would be appreciated, any other ideas for this most welcome. Volunteers will be needed to make drinks and hopefully we can have some cakes for sale.</p> <p>A local resident who works for The Canterbury Auction Gallery has offered to come along and do a valuation event on 19th July, this will be held at Kent Enterprise House (they have WiFi) from 9.30am to 12.30pm, again volunteers for teas and coffees and to make cakes to sell will be required. People have to book in advance, they buy a ticket for £5 which allows them to bring up to 3 items to be valued. All the money from the ticket sales goes to the hall fund, less any charge for the venue. It is hoped that a raffle could be held at some of the events so once again if anyone has items they can spare it will be appreciated. It was suggested an appeal could go in the next newsletter asking people to donate unwanted gifts. Cllr Taylor asked if the warden, Michelle, would be happy to sell marmalade at the coffee mornings to raise extra funds for the Community Hall, the clerk will ask.</p>
18/14	<p>To discuss current hall charges. The charges are currently £8.50ph for residents of the parish, £10 for outside of the parish and £12 for corporate bodies. It was agreed to leave these as they are for now.</p>
19/14	<p>To discuss the grant funding. The grant for pre application costs has been submitted and we are waiting to hear back from them. A grant application has gone to UK Power Networks for £10,000. Cllr Davis and the clerk will start</p>

	work on the Viridor grant and any other suitable applications that can be found. With the grant of planning consent for the solar farm it looks likely that we will be able to access funds towards the renewable technology for the Community Centre. It is possible that 2 or 3 solar farms are planned in the local area. The clerk will also contact developers asking for their support and has written to Adrian Verrill requesting the Community Centre be included when they look at S106 contributions for developments in the area. It is intended to try and access funding for the relocation of the slow worms, the cost of this will be in the region of £5,000.
20/14	To discuss other ways of fund raising for Community Centre such as 100 club etc, and appeals and a Nosh & Knowledge, Curry night in September. Mabel and Ann Berry have offered to run a Nosh & Knowledge evening in the autumn and Alan Ratford offered to run a 100 club, these will be advertised in the next newsletter. Cllr Davis suggested that a letter could be sent out to local businesses asking them to help with a donation. The clerk suggested that if a significant donation was received then one of the rooms could be named after that person or business.
21/14	Members' reports and clerk correspondence. Linda reported that she had looked into a running race but it would mean road closures so that could be expensive. It was agreed that perhaps a treasure hunt would be better, Linda will give it some thought.

Meeting closed at 8.40pm