

## SOUTH BRENT PARISH COUNCIL

NOTES of the meeting of the Beating the Bounds Working Group held on 28 November 2013, at 7.30 p.m. in The Old School Centre, South Brent.

### Present

Tim Ferry, Peter Hopwood, Cllrs Glyn Richards and Greg Wall were present and Julia Willoughby clerk to the Council was in attendance.

### Apologies for absence

Apologies had been received from Tim Harvey (Chris Palmer has stood down from the group).

### Confirmation of notes of the last meeting

The notes were confirmed.

### To discuss a means of progressing with Beating the Bounds in the future (for recommendation to the Parish Council).

Cllr Greg Wall advised that some suggestions had been made for this event taking place in 2014; the members of the working group still wish to be involved. (Possible dates 17 or 24 May 2014.)

Following the advice of the Police Road Casualty Reduction Officer the Beating the Bounds walk planned for 21 September was cancelled. There was mention of participants signing a disclaimer, a moving convoy system and the powers to control traffic. The Carnival Committee have offered to help with marshalling.

The clerk contacted the Council's insurers when the e-mail from the Police was received; the advice was that at the road crossings the traffic should be stopped and all walkers cross in one group.

At Shorter Cross, Charford junction and Marley Head everyone could gather on the lane before crossing. In order to avoid walking along the Avonwick Road the route could be altered to go from Horsebrook up the lane straight back to South Brent. The event could still finish at Turtley Corn Mill as it is possible to walk from the village to TCM.

It is understood the Carnival Committee would be able to help if the walk took place in May, some have Chapter 8 cover and could carry out their own risk assessment.

The working group recommends **modifying the route to reduce the risk by walking from Horsebrook up the lane straight back to South Brent. The walk will take place in May 2014 and a mini bus will need to be hired for the day.**

### Would an open meeting be advisable?

If the Parish Council agree this recommendation the event will go ahead in 2014.

### Any other relevant matters and date of the next meeting

The next meeting will be on 23 January 2014 at 7.30 pm in the Old School Centre, a representative of the Carnival Committee will be invited to join the group and another active walker. The meeting closed.