

## SOUTH BRENT PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of the Open Spaces Committee held on 3 November 2014, at 7.30 pm in The Old School Centre, Totnes Road, South Brent.

### Open Forum for discussion with members of the public

Nothing was raised.

### OS 1-11-14 Record of members present

Cllr Peter Kelly in the Chair, Cllrs Mark Copleston, John Rawlinson and Greg Wall and Julia Willoughby clerk to the Council were present.

### OS 2-11-14 Apologies for absence

Cllr Donna Warne had sent her apologies.

### OS 3-11-14 Declarations of a pecuniary interest (and nature) with regard to items on the agenda

None declared.

### OS 4-11-14 Consider the granting of dispensations

No applications.

### OS 5-11-14 Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda

Nothing was raised.

### OS 6-11-14 Confirmation of minutes of the last meeting and report any matters arising – for information only

Minutes of the last meeting were confirmed and signed.

The list of potential assets of community value is yet to be submitted to SHDC as it is probable Land Registry plans will be required for each building.

### OS 7-11-14 Development adjacent to Palstone Lane and possible community benefits

The Cavanna planning application is to go to the DNPA Committee on 7.11.14, representatives of the Council will meet with Stephen Belli on 5.11.14. Information on the DNPA website states that the sport, recreation and play contribution from the developer will go to SHDC. It is understood the money will be ring-fenced for this community.

### OS 8-11-14 Consider the provision of a new bus shelter in the vicinity of the Police Station

It is an aspiration that a bus shelter can be provided at this location, of construction similar to the Millennium bus shelter.

### OS 9-11-14 Update on the 'contrast' surface at the Jubilee Crossing and damage to bollards etc.

It was acknowledged that the silver grey surface is not a sufficient contrast, there is a skid danger and if the bollards are hit does that mean pedestrians could be in danger? Perhaps raised planters or granite boulders should be considered and a site meeting is to be arranged. (It was also noted that the crossing could be said to be self-managing because motorists park there; and as it is inconvenient more people may walk.)

### OS 10-11-14 Vicarage Road Allotment Field: report

Cllr John Rawlinson reported that there is a waiting list of seven people and letters will be sent to those with untended plots.

The Police are aware that two mowers and a strimmer have been taken from the site (a steel container could be kept in the shed for tools). Tree works are to be carried out soon.

OS 11-11-14 Grounds maintenance update (contract 2013-16).

All fine; the clerk will check with SHDC and DCC regarding reimbursement for these areas in 2015-16.

OS 12-11-14 Railway Wood: report dates of inspections carried out, and plan future inspections

Cllr John Rawlinson was in the Wood today and all was fine.

Future inspections: Dec. – MC, Jan. – GW, Feb. – PK.

The fencing around the culvert need to be considered.

OS 13-11-14 Play area at Sanderspool Cross: report

The most recent inspection stated that the wooden multi-play equipment is not safe. SHDC provided a list of all the repairs mentioned in the report, including £175 for the infant multi-play.

The Committee recommends that **repairs to the infant multi-play equipment are carried out and information on possible replacement equipment is sought.**

OS 14-11-14 Update on a possible community swimming pool

No new information.

OS 15-11-14 Consider any works required on the bus shelters

This year the Millennium shelter has been improved with new guttering provided.

OS 16-11-14 Annual inspection of seats and benches – any repairs outstanding

No repairs were mentioned.

OS 17-11-14 Consider whether the three seats in Wellington Square can be repaired or could be replaced.

**If three new seats are to be provided for Wellington Square, perhaps two could be sponsored? A 'Georgian' seat like the one at the Anchor building would cost £429, plus VAT, delivery and installation.**

OS 18-11-14 Budget request for 2015-16

£1,517 has been spent so far this year; a budget request of £2,500 will be made for 2015-16.

OS 19-11-14 Items for the next agenda, and the date of the next meeting

The next meeting will be in February.

The meeting closed at 8.25 p.m.