

**Minutes of the 109th BHNW Meeting held in St Augustine's Parish Centre Thursday
18th November 2010 at 19.45hrs**

Present

Apologies

Maria Gawler	Secretary	Lynda Stone	Heath Upper
Lesley Ashley	Fouracre	Tim Davies	Heath Lower
Mark Garland	Newsletter/Website ED	Martyn Thomas	Bury Hill
Peter Tucker	Badminton	Mike Baker	Bromleaze
Richard Old	Church	Chris Stone	Heath Upper
Bill Crocker	Chair	Rose Cane	Oakdale
Malcolm Coles	Heathfields	Graeme Dundas	Queensholme
Barry Shore	Quakers	Mark Venables	Sandringham
Ron Coleman	Treasurer		
PC Jim Rochford 'Rocky'	Beat Team		

Welcome

A warm welcome was extended to all by the Chair and apologies were noted.

Minutes from the last meeting

- i. No errors noted.
 - ❖ Arising – 'No cold caller zone,' Rose has not been able to take this further at the moment.
 - ❖ Justin Gay has now become a PC and has moved area with Paul Bolton-Jones moving internally and now an Inspector. Paul Underhill replaces Paul Bolton-Jones and shortly Andrew Forbes will be our new PCSO.

The minutes were then signed off as a correct record by the Chair.

Community plan analysis and actions

A summary of the plan has been circulated to residents inside of the Parish Newsletter. Statistics showed that 36% of residents read our Newsletter. It was raised that the community plan covers a wider area than our NW area and this percentage was possibly not a true reflection of how many residents read it. **Action:** Bill to ask for breakdown of these statistics.

Replies to the survey showed open spaces are well used; many young people would like to see a youth shelter in Bromley Heath Park and this had been requested in the past. Many would also like to see a swimming pool in the area; this would not be an achievable goal but getting information across to young people on bus timetables, discounts, activities and leisure in the area could be achieved by using Facebook and Twitter, etc.

Many residents voiced their like of flashing speed signs to control traffic speed with many interested in forming a 'Speed Watch'.

Action: Bill to forward to all the Focus Traffic, Highways and Transport summary, please feedback your comments.

'No Cold Caller Zone' proposal.

No report was available for tonight's meeting.

Neighbourhood Police/PACT reports and priorities

Rocky was welcomed to the meeting and discussed the following issues in our area;

Mezze Parking Problems – the owners are trying to assist with the parking issues that the opening of this establishment has caused. They will be installing some bollards and hopefully a white line will be drawn to show where the pavement starts/stops. The Council may in the future install additional bollards. Parking is available at the Co-op but people are not using it.

There has been a spike in crime in our area (as highlighted by Ringmaster emails) cars have been targeted and a couple of burglaries with patio doors being forced. Rocky felt it may be one or two people doing this at present. He reminded us not leave keys by doors or where they can be seen, to lock sheds and garages and to close windows.

There have been a couple of robberies in King George V Playing Fields – 2 arrests have been made.

A discussion was held on ASBO's and whether they are to be shelved under the current Government, no-one is aware of whether this will happen or not. Rocky felt that they are a very good tool in dealing with Anti-social behaviour but are not cheap at approximately £5000 each. ABC's (Anti-social behaviour contracts) are used prior to an ASBO with a 90% success rate. There are currently 10 – 12 youths causing problems at Sainsbury's Emersons Green, when ABC's are used outside agencies and parents become involved and documentation of events are recorded should it need to progress onto an ASBO.

Action: Bill to find out about web chats with local Police inspectors.

PACT

There has not been a PACT meeting since our last meeting; the following issues will be raised by Bill at the next meeting on the 8th December at 7.00pm at Christchurch Infant School, Christchurch Ave, Downend.

- The possibility of a no right turn from Cleeve Park Road down Cleeve Hill as this is a dangerous junction.
- Sita still not replacing bins properly hence blocking pavements etc.
- Road surfaces around our area are in a very poor condition, what is South Glos strategy for dealing with this?
- What is South Glos policy on partial street lighting?

Annual Meeting and Community Engagement Evening.

All agreed to book the hall for the 25th May 2011. **Action:** Maria to arrange.
The following ideas/suggestions were discussed:-

- Invite the Chief Constable.
- Try to obtain the Police Helicopter.
- Having a production of Trickster, our first preference.

- Fall back choice would be a talk by Billy Burns.
- Raj from MS-2 offered to do a wine tasting evening and suggested we invite all advertisers as a thank you. Ron advised that advertisers must not trade at this event.
- Anniversary Cake. **Action:** Can Rose remember who did our last cake? Maria to check back on 20th AGM minutes.
- Invite List - Beat team, Insp Kevin Thatcher, local Parish Councillors, other NW watches, and local uniformed organisations. **Action:** Maria will check the invite list for the 20th AGM.

Reports

I. Newsletter Autumn 10/Winter 11

- ❖ Autumn 10 lots of advertisers – new addresses to be given to Ron. **Action:** Mark G.
- ❖ PRO role will be advertised in the next newsletter.
- ❖ Winter 11 edition is underway.

ii. Website development report

The website has now gone live and looks great. Can anyone identify the people in the 2006 photos and let Mark G know their names?

iii. PRO report

No report was available for tonight's meeting.

iv. Treasurer's report

Bill ran through the names of our current advertisers and the prices we charge them with Ron. The Treasurers report was looked over by the group and approved with the usual thanks.

v. Common interest items

- Bromley Heath Stake Park – how can we make this area safer in light of the latest robbery from two young people? Rocky felt this park was well sited and relatively safe. Article to go in our Newsletter regarding not taking iPods, phones etc into the park with you.
- Zebra Crossing at Bromley Heath Junior School – a small group has been formed and is working on this.
- Ron mentioned that he holds the first Newsletter which was circulated 18 years ago.
- Mark G requires 3 welcome packs.
- Damaged/missing signs etc. **Action:** Bill ongoing.

vi. BHRAG/Friends of park update.

No report was available for tonight's meeting.

Crime, Community Safety and Resilience initiative

A property ring binder – **Action:** Defer to next meeting if business allows inclusion.

AOB

- ❖ Date protection forms from Bridget. **Action:** Bill

The next meeting will be held on **Thursday 27th January 2011** at 7.45pm at St Augustine's Parish Centre. The meeting was brought to a close at 22.01hrs.

Meeting dates for 2011.

14th April 2011.