

Minutes of the Brockridge Committee 6th October 2008
Held at the Brockridge Centre, Woodend Road

Present: Mr T Clothier (Chairman), Mr D Broome, Mr D Hockey (part), Mrs J Rowan, Mr B Thomson, Mr R Underhill, (Parish Councillors); Mrs F Brennen, (Volunteers' Representative); Mr R Millard (Brockridge Infants School Representative); Mrs R Nicholson – Warn (Leader in Charge Brockridge Youth Group); Mr K Powell (FCCG Representative).

Apologies: Cllr D Manfield

108 Declarations of Interest Under the Local Government Act 1972

- Cllr D Hockey declared that the participation of those Parish Councillors who are also members of South Gloucestershire District Council in both the debate and any subsequent vote on matters contained in the agenda would be on the basis that the views expressed were preliminary views taking account of the information currently available to the Parish Council. Parish Council members who are also District Councillors reserved their final views until they were in full possession of all relevant information both for and against.
- Mr Millard is a Governor of Brockridge Infants School.
- Cllr Clothier, Cllr Broome and Mr Powell are members of Frampton Cotterell Over 50s Computer Group

109 Emergency Evacuation Procedure

The Chairman drew attention to the emergency evacuation procedure.

110 Confirmation of Minutes

Following a proposal from Mr Millard, seconded by Cllr Mrs Rowan it was:

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the Brockridge Committee of 21st July 2008 be confirmed and signed.

111 Youth Group Report

Mrs Nicholson-Warn reported that:

- Over the summer a lot of time was spent building relationships with the young people.
- Session nights have doubled in number.
- Tuesday nights now see between 28 and 30 young people.
- This month a drugs project will be running.
- In November the youth group will cover alcohol and it's damaging effects.
- Thursday nights can see as many as 45 young people attending.
- Mrs Nicholson-Warn thanked Cllrs Clothier and Broome for their assistance in setting up the Youth Group Computers.

The Brockridge Committee congratulated Mrs Nicholson-Warn on her success, and reiterated its support for the Youth Group.

This was noted.

112 Clarification of Co-opted Members

It was noted that a vacancy still remained for a representative of the near neighbours of the Brockridge Committee even though the neighbours have been informed of the vacancy.

RESOLVED:

- Mrs Allan was asked to place the above item on the next agenda.

113 The Security of the Buildings and Equipment

It was reported that:

The contract for the fire and intruder alarm with BAC is due for renewal in December

RESOLVED to recommend

- To obtain quotations from other companies.

114 Risk Assessment

Mr Millard had volunteered to risk assess the Brockeridge Centre again this year.

RESOLVED to recommend

- To accept Mr Millard's kind offer of risk assessing the building.

ACTION MR R MILLARD

115 To Review Expenditure and Recommend a Budget for 2009/2010

The committee noted the report and:

RESOLVED: (That Income Budget of £8,000 and expenditure budget of £67,280 as per attached report be recommended to the Finance and General Purposes Committee by this Committee:)

Cllr D Hockey entered the meeting.

116 Evening to Thank Volunteers

It was confirmed that the Evening to Thank Volunteers would be held on the Wednesday 17th December 2008.

The Brockeridge Committee thanked the Over 50s Computer Group for its kind offer of a donation of £200 toward this event.

This was noted.

117 Update on Maintenance Issues

a CCTV

It was reported that the CCTV is now working.

The Brockeridge Committee thanked Cllr Clothier for all his hard work in this matter.

This was noted

b Electrical Work

It had been reported that the hand dryer in the ladies toilet had broken. The cost of a new hand dryer would be £58.75 including VAT.

RESOLVED to recommend

- To purchase a new hand dryer.
- To instruct the electrician to install the hand dryer

c Re-decoration of the Brockeridge Centre

The decorator will commence with work to the toilets and kitchen on the 24th October 2008.

The Entrance Lobby and Hallway will be decorated during the Christmas break.

RESOLVED:

- Mrs Brennan, Cllr D Hockey, Mr K Powell and Mrs Allan to meet to discuss the colours required for the toilets and kitchen.

d Gates

The Committee is still waiting for Drews to inform it of a date for the commencement of the extension to the gates.

RESOLVED:

- Cllr Clothier agreed to contact Drews for a date when works will commence.

ACTION CLLR CLOTHIER

118 Frampton Cotterell Over 50's Computer Group Report. (FCCG)

Mr Powell reported that:

- Twelve new members had started the course in September.
- All days continue to be full.
- Currently there are six people on the waiting list.
- The FCCG has eighteen volunteers helping trainees.

The Brockeridge Committee congratulated the group on its continued success.

119 Proposed Extension of the Building

A Consultation evening had been held at the Brockeridge Centre on the 1st October 2008. Cllr D Hockey gave a verbal report to the meeting as follows, to be clarified by a later written report:

- 24 People filled in the questionnaire, 14 of these people were in favour of the extension going ahead, 8 people were against, and 2 people were undecided.
- Residents concerns were: about the cost, lack of parking, whether there was a need for a Police Office and the noise from user groups.
- The cost of the extension is estimated at between £170,000 - £190,000.
- The estimated cost to homeowners in Council Tax would be 8.5p per week.
- The Parish Precept would need to rise by 7.5%.

Cllrs D Hockey, Clothier and Thomson agreed to arrange a meeting with contractors from Solar Sense and the Ground Source heat scheme, both of these organisations grant funded schemes.

**ACTION CLLRS D HOCKEY, CLOTHIER
AND THOMSON**

This was noted.

120 Any other business

a Book Swap

Mrs Allan enquired if the Centre could have a book swap space, where people could bring a book and swap it for one they have not read.

RESOLVED to recommend

- The Brockeridge Committee to consider this at its next meeting.

b Youth Group Pictures

The Youth Leader asked if it would be possible to have picture hooks put up in the Youth Room to display the paintings done by the Youth Group.

RESOLVED to recommend

- To have six hooks put in the Youth Room.

c Car Park Markings

It was reported that the markings for the car park spaces need re-defining.

RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND

- To wait until the gates have been re-positioned and then power wash the markings.
- To report results to the Brockeridge Committee.

121 Date of Next Meeting

12 noon on Monday 3rd November 2008 at the Brockeridge Centre.