

# BEECHES COMMUNITY GROUP

## Minutes of Meeting held on 13 September 2012

### Present:

Malcolm Lewis (Chairman), Tony Cooper (Vice-Chairman), Janet Broomfield (Treasurer and Social Secretary), 10 Residents, Cllr Jonathan Hughes (CTC and CDC), Cllr Peter Braidwood (GCC), Cllr John Burgess (CTC, CDC and GCC) and Caroline Braidwood (Secretary)

### 1. Welcome and Apologies

Clare Bartlett (Bromfords), James Trotter (Bromfords), PCSO Renee Morgan, Claire Charlesworth (Housing 21), Roger Sweeting, Cllr Roly Hughes (CTC), Cllr Mrs S Alexander (CTC) and Jamie Walton (CTC)

### 2. To Approve the Minutes from the Annual General Meeting held on 12 July 2011

Proposed: Janet Broomfield Seconded: Peter Braidwood and unanimously agreed to be an accurate recorded and signed by the Chairman.

### 3. Matters Arising from the Minutes that are not Included on the Agenda

#### Pheonix Playgroup

The Playgroup Committee has re-negotiated the lease with Bromfords and now needs to advertise to attract more children. It was agreed to suggest inclusion in our Welcome pack.

### 4. Chairman's Report

<http://www.fairshares.org.uk/time-banks/south-cotswolds.html>

It was agreed to join as a group and it was noted that Hannah Sturman would attend the next meeting to give members more information.

### 5. Finance Report (Attached)

The Finance Statement was noted and Janet Broomfield proposed a vote of thanks to everyone who had helped with the Fete.

Proposed: Janet Broomfield Seconded: Rose Leicester and unanimously agreed to donate £350 to Families Matter and £150 to CLIC Sargent from funds raised at the Garden Fete.

### 9. Police, Town, District and County Councillors' Reports

#### Police Report (Attached)

**Cllr Burgess** advised that both GCC and CDC have frozen Council Tax for the third year running.

**Cllr Hughes** advised that:

- development of the Skate Park is out for tender
- Foss Close and Arnolds Way has been re-surfaced.

**Cllr Braidwood:**

- GCC have agreed the site of a new incinerator
- Beeches Road Bridge will be repaired in October and will take approx. 1 week when the whole of the balustrade will be replaced.
- Road side Plastics collection will begin on 29 October

### 10. Cirencester Neighbourhood Partnership - Update

Cllr Hughes to act as liaison for the Group.

### 11. Community Building – Update

This is likely to be developed with the new Primary School in partnership with the Town Council.

### 12. Reports

#### Community Speed Watch – Keith Handley

To be introduced in Spring 2013 as a town-wide initiative.

#### Pop Inn Progress – Lynn Smith

Continues to be well supported and there are lots of ideas for activities in the New Year.

**Litter Picking –Doug Emmott**

Planning to meet with Jamie Walton to discuss litter picking in the Town. It was noted that there is a considerable amount of rubbish around Beeches Shop and Cllr Hughes agreed to speak to the owner.

**Welcome Packs – Mike Jupp and Doug Emmott**

New leaflets are awaited from Waitrose and Gardiners. Mike and Doug acknowledged the initial work done by Roger Sweeting as they have had considerable problems contacting suppliers.

**Mulberry Court – Claire Charlesworth**

Not available

**13. Social Committee**

**Feedback from Summer Fete on Sunday, 5 August**

Great event and well supported despite the weather. Approx. £800 was raised. It was agreed to hold next year's event on 9 June 2013 and base it on the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Queen's Coronation.

**Feedback from Trip to Weston on Tuesday, 14 August**

Went extremely well and the weather was good. It was agreed to book for Weston again next year.

**Future Events including:**

**Macmillan Coffee Morning – Monday, 24 September**

Plans are well advanced and everyone is asked to 'Bring a Friend'

**First Anniversary of the Pop Inn – Monday, 19 November**

Will include: Bring a Plate, raffle, quiz and Birthday Cake.

**Christmas Bingo – Wednesday, 21 November**

Further information to follow.

**Christmas Dinner – Friday, 7 December**

Information will be available soon.

**14. Any Other Business**

Neighbourhood Watch – need to locate co-ordinators.

Barking Dogs – problems should be notified to CDC.

**15. Date and Time of Next Meeting**

**Thursday, 11 October 2012 at Ingleside House starting at 6.30 pm.**

**The meeting was closed at 7.40 pm**