

Hockley Residents Association

Minutes of Committee Meeting held on 11 July 2007

1 Matters Arising

(Note: May was a ECC Highways speaker meeting and June was an informal meeting – no minutes)

Action

1.1 (2.2) Parish Plan

David Fryer-Kelsey provided an update. There have been over 1,000 responses covering 2,214 residents) which have been collated and the Group are now in discussion with prospective partners who would have to deliver changes to be included in a 5 year plan to be published in October.

Key findings included strong support for better roads (including a by-pass); more doctors/dentists; a youth centre; and need to keep Hockley's boundaries separate from neighbouring communities.

1.2 (2.1) Youth Nuisance

The police have initiated two action groups:

1. Neighbour Action Plan (NAP). Several HRA members are attending and priorities are being identified (including youth nuisance).
2. Hockley Hawkwell Ashingdon Parish Project for the Youth (HHAPPY). A small committee including Richard Vingoe has been formed to progress a youth centre. It was noted that the Parish Plan responses, and other feedback, suggests that the youth themselves would prefer a simple 'shelter', where they can gather, to a proper youth centre.

2 New business:

2.1 Planning/B1013

ECC Highways have advised that last traffic count (2005) was approx 16,000 daily movements (down from 17,000 in 2004). Theoretical capacity is 22,000 per day. Traffic consultants have advised that a new house in this area generates an average of 5.5 movements per day. Hence 400 new houses would generate an additional 2,200 daily movement – within the theoretical capacity.

The consultants would charge £600 for an initial report but in view of above it was decided not to proceed with this at this time. However, ECC to be asked to update the census.

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- #### 2.2 Hospital appeal:
- Christine Mason is holding a quiz night on 12 Oct, cost £5 per head, to raise funds for the hospital stroke unit. Agreed to donate £50 to the hospital

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3 Date of Next Meeting: 8 August 2007