

Blackdown Hills
 Parish Network
 Steering Group

MINUTES BHPN STEERING GROUP

AONB meeting room Friday 13 May 2016 10.00am

Attendance:

Heather Stallard	Chair, Hemyock PC, BHBA, AONB Management Gp
Catherine Bass	Co-ordinator, Website
Graham Long	Uptontery PC, AONB Management Gp, Communications
Ken Pearson	Stockland Parish Clerk, BHPN T, T& H
Lisa Turner	AONB Planning officer & BHPN Planning

Apologies:

Bruce Payne	AONB Management Gp, Natural Futures
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1. **Minutes of meeting 8 March 2016 were agreed**

2. **Finances**

<i>Closing balance at year end March 2016</i>	<i>£1783.99</i>
<i>Late receipts of 2015/6 parish subs</i>	<i>£ 230.00</i>
<i>Payment for March admin 2015/6</i>	<i>£ -120.00</i>
<i>Early receipt of 2016-2017 parish sub</i>	<i>£ 200.00</i>
<i>Payment for April admin 2015/6</i>	<i>£ -120.00</i>
<i>Current Bank balance</i>	<i><u>£2,093.99</u></i>

Projected balances year end 2016-2017 based on known movement to date

<i>Projected additional parish subs in 2016/7</i>	<i>£1545</i>
<i>Current liabilities to financial year end March 2017</i>	
<i>Monthly admin payments (11) May – March incl.</i>	<i>£-1320</i>
<i>Payment for website update due June 4 2016</i>	<i><u>£- 912</u></i>
<i><u>Projected closing balance March 2017</u></i>	<i><u>£1407</u></i>

3. **Meeting re highways/transport issues:**

- a. **Mtg between Steering Gp, DCC & SCC Highways** still tba with particular interest in HGV routing, hoping to get a proper survey of routes and amount/weight of traffic on some routes **CB**
- b. **Update re local Bus services (No 20)** Service Seaton to Taunton operated by Stagecoach is to be modified – notification received that the final return trip each day Monday to Saturday will terminate in Culmstock at 6.10 pm. **CB** to check position re the first bus service of the day. **CB**
- c. **Update re FGW access funding**– **CB** reported contact made with the responsible manager, Mark Youngman in Cardiff. Next round of funding tba, **CB** to alert stg gp when this happens. **CB**
HS and **CB** reported on their attendance at Wiveylink meeting in the context of perhaps operating a similar system in the BH ('office' would need to be resolved) and the type of transport offered. May be possible to modify the system to incorporate the Churchinford Community Bus. **KP** reported that a new bus is to be purchased.

4. **Updates re MP meetings**

- a. Available dates for most of stg group are now known, meeting to be fixed asap. **CB**
- b. Draft agenda tbd at the next meeting of the steering group

5. **Revised Website update**

CB is working on transferring data from the old site. Invoice to be paid by June 4th and the site will go live soon after that. **KP** requested that RSS feed be available, **CB** to check. **CB** reported that 2 of the 3 Devon Councillors have already confirmed they will share support for the

revised website through their locality budget, SCC councillors to be approached also.

CB

6. Annual Parish Meetings

Very few parishes requested attendance at APMs.

- 7. AONB Management Group** : Ballot papers were returned from 10 parishes these were opened and the results determined . Elected were Graham Long (Upottery), Bob Nelson (Broadhembury) and Jocelyn Pritchard (Hemyock). CB to inform Linda Bennett and all Clerks

CB

- 8. Date of AGM : June 22nd 7 for 7.30 pm** in one of the following Halls, Buckland St Mary, Broadhembury or Throgmorton Hall, Dunkeswell.

CB to invite Pauline Homeshaw of Wivey link to address meeting (or Mark Bailey of Tiverton Transport Group).

CB

Date of next Steering Group meeting Tuesday June 7th at 10 am AONB office.

- 9 AOB: Latest re Broadband developments** GL spoke about a recently opened opportunity to get vastly improved broadband infrastructure into a large part of the BHPN area. The attached paper (BHPN proposal v1.doc, received after this meeting) summarises the situation.