

<u>Neighbourhood Plan Working Group</u>	Councillor Blomer
	Councillor Doidge
<u>Remembrance Day</u>	Councillor Bowen

13/08 APPOINTMENT OF SUB COMMITTEE CHAIRS

It was agreed the following councillors would chair the sub-committees:

Maintenance	Councillor James
Planning	Councillor Doidge
Communications	Councillor Rolf
Neighbourhood Plan	Councillor Blomer
Youth Affairs	Councillor Bryant
Remembrance	Councillor Bowen

13/09 APPOINTMENTS TO OTHER BODIES

<u>Airport Consultation</u>	Councillor Bowen
<u>SAC WALC</u>	Councillor Rolf
	Councillor Lewis
<u>Conservation Advisory</u>	Councillor Blomer
<u>Police Consultation</u>	Councillor James
<u>Footpaths</u>	Councillor Lewis
<u>Rural Partnership Forum</u>	Councillor Lewis
<u>SMBC Tree Warden Committee</u>	Mr David Grimshaw

13/10 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

13/11 MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 13TH MARCH 2013

The minutes were approved as **proposed by Councillor Rolf and seconded by Councillor James.**

13/12 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE ABOVE MEETING

12/86 The Chair will contact Mrs Parker when the bench in memory of her husband Ray Parker is ready, to identify the preferred location.

12/92 Councillor James has received comments that the screening around the war memorial is blocking driver’s vision, this should be short lived.

12/100 Neighbourhood Area approval – Councillor Blomer has met with Catherine de Barnes residents, who have confirmed they have been properly consulted on the proposed area designation and have written to SMBC to inform them of this, we hope approval will now be given by SMBC Cabinet in June.

Applications can be made to the Locality Fund for up to £7000 for neighbourhood planning, Councillor Blomer and Councillor Doidge will progress.

Hampton in Arden Character Appraisal – Councillor Blomer and the Chair will meet with Martin Saunders SMBC conservation officer to identify how it fits with the Neighbourhood Plan.

12/113 The Jubilee Oak Tree has now been ordered from Craddocks, and should hopefully be planted before Hampton Festival. Quotes are being requested to make a bench around the tree.

12/117 The Airport Consultation has been extended to 17th May. A working group meeting has been arranged for 14th May to allow sufficient time to discuss this important issue.

12/118 HS2 – Councillor Doidge circulated a report summarising details from

the recent meeting of SMBC HS2 Working Party at which he highlighting the parish council's concerns. The Environmental Survey will be released very soon and will need a detailed response.

12/119 Bus Route – Buses have now been scheduled to run from Balsall Common, through Hampton-in-Arden and on to Knowle (via Solihull).

12/120 Catherine de Barnes Common – Councillor James confirmed that the parish council has legal ownership of The Common registered with DEFRA. The parish council are completing the necessary forms to register this ownership with the Land Registry.

The owner of The Dell at Catherine de Barnes is seeking permission to put a road across the common for access to a housing development, this would need careful consideration by the parish council.

13/13 REPORT OF ANNUAL PARISH MEETING APRIL 16TH 2013

The council accepted the draft minutes of the meeting, which will be adopted at the next Annual Meeting.

13/14 MATTERS ARISING FROM ABOVE MEETING

It was agreed that in future Annual Reports, details of accounts in which parish council investments are held would be included.

The Chair has arranged a meeting with the Director of Franchise Management at London Midland to discuss the effect station ticket office closure has had on accessibility and to seek a solution.

13/15 CORRESPONDENCE (FOR INFORMATION ONLY)

The following correspondence was presented to the meeting:

1. Letter from Duncan Ballard requesting permission to install an electrical socket on a lamp post in the Recreation Ground car park for the Youth Bus. Councillors agreed they had no objection in principle, subject to meeting with the electrician to ensure the work was completed safely.
2. Berkswell Parish Council would like to create a signed footpath route from Berkswell to Hampton This was thought to be a good idea and The Chair will pursue with Berkswell P C and SMBC Footpath Officer.
3. Emails from Mrs Bartlett expressing her concern at the number of HGV traffic travelling through the village.
4. The Chair asked Mr Rogers (SMBC) to look into signage to indicate Marsh Lane is a 'no through road', following complaints about SATNAV systems taking drivers that way, and then having to turn round.
5. SMBC now have permission to complete the footpath at the side of the old cricket pitch – the work will start at the end of May.
6. A letter about Solihull Local Development Framework regarding gypsy sites, none are planned for our parish.
7. Letter from WALC to notify that any precept rise over 2% would need a referendum.
8. Letter from SMBC about Solihull Neighbourhood in Bloom, including an application form.

13/16 REPORT FROM COMMUNICATION GROUP MEETING 1st May 2013.

Councillor Rolf summarised the meeting:

- The website continues to be updated regularly, although the use of the village diary is disappointing.
- The Youth Bus has been very successful for younger children, although not

so good for any children over 12. A cinema club is now being considered which will be held in the bus. It is likely that an alternative venue will need to be considered in the future as the bus has limited capacity.

- The newsletter continues to be well received. It was agreed that the parish council would deliver the parish surgery newsletter when necessary if the surgery were able to help with deliveries.

Next meeting was arranged for 10th July 2013.

13/17 REPORTS FROM VARIOUS MEETINGS

Community Infrastructure Levy - Councillor Blomer reported that local authorities can now impose a levy on new development and SMBC are developing a strategy to do this. A % of the levy would come to the parish council and if a neighbourhood plan existed this might be as much as 25% of the sum.

HHAG – This group has been working against HS2 locally for 3 years and at the recent annual meeting it was felt that much had been achieved such as pressurising SMBC to set up the working party. Future strategy was discussed and a survey on local opinion concerning HS2 considered.

Centro – The 6 monthly meeting has taken place discussing the new bus schedule, the Taxibus, train station opening hours and improving accessibility. The first phase of New Street Station is complete and will open this month. Eventually, automatic ticket barriers will be installed. The A38 tunnels in Birmingham are due to be closed during the summer, which could have an affect on the parking around the station in the village as commuters are being encouraged not to drive into the city.

SAC of WALC– A presentation was made on the Community Infrastructure Levy. Comparative SMBC area precept figures for 2013 showed that Hampton-in-Arden was one of the least costly Town and Parish Councils being 13th out of 16.

Hampton Festival – The Chair reported that the flyers have now been delivered and tickets for the Saturday night concert were selling well.

13/18 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Having previously circulated details of recent planning applications, Councillor Blomer made the following comments:

2012/1657 2 Butchers Road – 1st floor side extension appeal – appeal dismissed.

2013/358 38 Fentham Road – 2 storey side and rear extension – objection sent.

Comment was also made that the house built in the garden of 38 Fentham Road, has taken the street verge as garden – Mr Rogers (SMBC) will investigate and report back.

2013/505 1c Meriden Road – Fell ornamental Cyprus tree – no objection, but replacement requested.

Comment was also made that some tree work has taken place at 7 Belle Vue Terrace, which is within the conservation area. Councillor Blomer will investigate to identify what work is being done and if planning permission would be required.

13/19 FINANCE

The End of Year Accounts and Summary of Accounts and Authorisation of Payments were accepted as **proposed by Councillor Blomer and seconded by Councillor James.**

13/20 DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS

Dates for meetings of the Parish Council in 2013 will be as follows:

17th July 2013

11th September 2013

13th November 2013

Maintenance Meetings

5th June 2013

16th October 2013

The meeting closed at 9.10pm