

PRESENT: Cllrs: Darryl Collins(Chair), Alan Tink (Vice Chair) Keith Briffett, Brian Mead, Anne Kenyon, Ian Scott, Stanley Sims, Ben Scott, Joanne Ward, Bill Moore, Adam Monk

APOLOGIES :

Also present :- Representatives from Wessex Water on Filton Airfield, Kate Ross (Filton Volunteer Centre), Filton Youth Council, Dave Mikkelson (Community Garden)

Lesley Reuben (Town Clerk), Matt Reynolds (Town Council Support Officer)

68. MINUTES: It was noted that there was an error on minute 67 from the previous year as the word "Gloucestershire" was missing from "South Gloucestershire."

The minutes of the meeting held Tuesday 26th May 2015 were otherwise approved.

69. WESSEX WATER (YTL) PRESENTATION ON FILTON AIRFIELD: A presentation was given by YTL on their proposed plan for the development of the Filton Airfield site. They have retained much of the original plan from BAE but have made improvements to develop the whole site as an integrated community. They have also recently completed the purchase of the Brabazon Hangers to ensure that the iconic buildings become part of the integrated project rather than left neglected. The proposal included a plan to build 3600 new homes and also to replace the runway with a park which will run through the development from end to end, as homage to the history of the site.

There were concerns raised about the impact on Filton's infrastructure and whether it could cope with the population the new development will bring. The Council and the Public were reassured that although the development will not fix the infrastructure issues in Filton, the plans have taken this into consideration and include measures that "will go a long way to improving it."

70. FILTON VOLUNTEER CENTRE: A presentation was delivered by Kate Ross about raising the profile and benefits of volunteering. The Volunteer Centre are equally interested in organisations looking for volunteers as much as individuals willing to volunteer their time.

71. FILTON YOUTH COUNCIL: A presentation was given by members of the youth council on their work during the year. They have continued their work in helping the homeless and have recently visited the Julian Trust.

72. FILTON COMMUNITY GARDEN: A report was given by Dave Mikkelson outlining the continued success of the Community Garden.

73. FILTON BEAT TEAM: The beat team were unable to attend, however a report was sent via email and was read by the Chair. They have recently completed bike marking at Abbeywood Retail Park and Parkway Station to deter push bike theft. Burglaries in the past month have been predominately targeting persons from the Asian community and

are focusing on the theft of cash and gold. They are continuing to work with Filton College and the surrounding areas on preventing drug use.

74. FRIENDS OF CONYGRE HOUSE: Cllr Keith Briffett on behalf of Friends of Conygre House announced that the money raised in order to save the building will be donated to local charities in light of Conygre House now being sold to a developer. The donations to be made are as follows.

£1000 to Southern Brooks
£600 to Men in Sheds
£600 to SHE 7
£600 to Filton Chest and Heart
£600 to Scouts
£600 to Rainbows and Guides

The remaining funds raised will be donated to the St Peters Church coffee morning for their continued work and service provided for the local community.

An event has been planned at the Badminton Hall at Elm Park on Thursday 9th June at 7:30 in which to formally award these payments.

75. PUBLIC FORUM ON TOWN COUNCIL ISSUES:

- i) The road sign on Conygre Grove is hanging off at the traffic lights
- ii) There is a continued issue with litter in the Filton area
- iii) The car park between Filton and Horfield is being used as a Park and Ride service, and as there is no parking duration limit it is constantly being used as an all-day by some motorists.
- iv) There have been concerns over the quality of the cutting of the street hedges by South Glos
- v) There are also concerns over the lack of draining on Church Road by St Peters Church car park. It is causing a build-up of soil and stagnant water during heavy rainfall.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9:15pm