

CROXLEY GREEN JUNIOR COUNCIL

MINUTES OF the 16th MEETING OF THE JUNIOR COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER
ON TUESDAY 17 JANUARY 2012 at 3.45pm

Present: Junior Cllrs: as per attendance sheet
Amanda Taft – Administrative Officer
Cllr Ridley

JC096/12 Introductions

The delegates from the schools introduced themselves. The Junior Councillors were welcomed to the meeting and an overview of their role and that of the Parish Council was given.

JC097/12 Open Discussion

The Junior Councillors were advised about past projects which have been undertaken by the Junior Council:

- a poster campaign against dropping litter as well as a litter-pick in the woods;
- a poster campaign to reduce the amount of dog mess on the streets;
- help with the new Barton Way play area;
- a road safety campaign and the creation of leaflets;
- the Revels – sponsor a plant.

The Junior Councillors were asked about matters that concerned them and suggestions for future projects. Items raised included:

- road safety, especially near the schools;
- the amount of dog mess that is not picked up by owners;
- graffiti in the play house in Barton Way play area;
- a section of the Parish Council stall at the Revels;
- a Junior Council section in the Parish Pump magazine;

The Junior Councillors were advised that the Parish Council currently gives out dog waste bags free of charge. They were also told that they (or their parents) can ring the Parish Council office to report overflowing dog bins. It was pointed out that graffiti in Barton Way play area is the responsibility of Three Rivers District Council although Junior Councillors were told they could report it to the Parish Council to report it on their behalf. The Junior Councillors said they did not use the Baldwins Lane play area very much as it was not as good as the play area at Barton Way. It was suggested that the poster 'Who is Responsible for What in Local Government' should be circulated with the Minutes.

The Junior Councillors all felt it would be a good idea for them to participate in the Revels and it was suggested that the Olympics theme for the Revels may be appropriate and Junior Councillors were advised that the Parish Council had discussed having a bio-diversity theme on how to encourage bees and insects.

The Junior Councillors were advised that the Parish Pump is the Parish Council magazine which is issued twice per year (around April and September). They were invited to write articles for the magazine which may be of interest to the residents of Croxley.

The Junior Councillors were asked if they knew about the Croxley Rail Link and a brief description of the changes that will take place was given. They were asked to have a look at the Croxley Rail Link online (<http://www.croxleyraillink.com/>) as they

may like to discuss the impact it will have on Croxley Green and possibly comment on the trees they would like to see planted.

The Junior Councillors were also told about the Police Community Support Officers and it was suggested that the PCSOs could be invited into school assemblies to introduce themselves to the children.

It was decided that the Junior Councillors would go back to their School Council to discuss the ideas raised today and then bring suggestions back to the next meeting of the Junior Council.

Harvey Road School will chair the next meeting and the Junior Councillors are welcome to design a sign with their name on to bring to the next meeting.

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Closure

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 4.30pm.

WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR WHAT IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT

- A Quick Guide -

CROXLEY GREEN PARISH COUNCIL

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Bulb Planting
Christmas Illuminations
Community Bus
Consultee on Planning
Dog Hygiene Bins/Dog Bags
Facilitator on Local Issues
Litter Picking
Parish Pump Magazine
Public Footpath Maintenance
Public Footpath Signs
Public Seating
Quiz Night
Stones Orchard
The Green
Tree Works
Village Plan
Village Hall provision
War Memorial

THREE RIVERS DISTRICT COUNCIL

Tel: 01923 776611
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HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

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