

BERKHAMSTED CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

TOWN AMENITIES SUB-COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting of the BCA Town Amenities Sub-Committee held on **Tuesday 12 March 2013** at 8 pm at 13 Doctors Commons Road, Berkhamsted.

Present: Paul Crosland (PC) in the Chair, Beryl Edwards (BE), Jenny Habib (JH), Susan Johnson (SJ), Christopher Talbot-Ponsonby (CTP), Gordon Bluck (GB), Tony Statham (TS)

Apologies:

1. **Minutes** of the meeting of 19 February 2013 were agreed.

2. Matters arising

2.1 None

3. Planning and Environment

3.1 Reference the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) GB has submitted a formal representation to DBC to protest at the punitive CIL rates proposed for Berkhamsted. BCA propose that CIL rates should be related to Council Tax bands. GB circulated a copy of the BTC submission for information. **Note**

3.2 Community Assets Register (CAR): A discussion took place as to how BCA might get involved to register Gable Hall (Prince Edward St) on the CAR. GB to discuss with Town Clerk/ Cllr. D. Collins to assess if there is appetite for the BTC to become involved.

3.3 10 Shrublands Avenue (4/00014/13/FHA) – Minute 3.2 of last meeting: CTP noted that this was approved subject to the front door being a solid timber door. **Note**

3.4 Planning Applications for weeks of 20/ 27 February and 6 March were reviewed. No action required. **Note**

3.5 Kitchener's Field astroturf pitch: With respect to Berkhamsted School's intended Appeal against the refusal to allow Planning Permission, SJ to check which scheme BCA (TASC) had objected to previously.

4. Transport (including Parking)

- 4.1 (carried over) PC asked TASC members to look at the new style of bus stop timetable panels being installed and give their views at the next meeting. In PC's view, the displays are too small. **ALL**

5. Canal

- 5.1 Towpath repair works between Castle Street and Waitrose bridge on-going. **Note**

6. Footpaths/ Footways

- 6.1 Nothing to report **Note**

7. Trees

- 7.1 TS to discuss the Jubilee Oak proposals with DBC trees officer, Luke Johnson. **Note**

8. Environment Award

- 8.1 Preparations for presentation at BCA AGM on 14 March all in hand. **Note**

9. AOB

- 9.1 None **Note**

10. Dates of next meetings

Tuesday 16 April (8 p.m.) at Gordon's house
Tuesday 14 May (8 p.m.) at Jenny's house