



**HEADINGTON ACTION**  
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**Minutes of the meeting held on 30 May 2018 at 7.00pm**  
**Room JHB 128, John Henry Brookes Building, London Road.**

**Present:**

<b>Heather Armitage</b>	Friends of Lye Valley & Town Furze Allotments
<b>Elsa Bell</b>	<b>HONORARY SECRETARY &amp; TRUSTEE</b>
<b>Rosemary Belton</b>	Friends of Bury Knowle Park
<b>Patrick Coulter</b>	Headington Road Runners – <b>CHAIR &amp; TRUSTEE</b>
<b>Keith Frayn</b>	Ramblers – <b>VICE CHAIR &amp; TRUSTEE</b>
<b>Liz Grosvenor</b>	<b>ADMIN SUPPORT</b>
<b>Carolyn Gulliver</b>	London Court Residents'
<b>Sheila Hurst</b>	New Headington Residents' Association
<b>Tony Joyce</b>	Oxford Civic Society
<b>Maggie Maguire</b>	Oxford Brookes University
<b>Cllr Glynis Phillips</b>	Oxfordshire County (Barton Sandhills & Risinghurst)
<b>Margaret Simpson</b>	U3A Oxford
<b>Howard Stanbury</b>	Friends of Old Headington
<b>Peter West</b>	St Anne's Area Residents' Association
<b>Lesley Williams</b>	Headington Schools Partnership

**Guest Speaker:**

**Tony Dale**

**Apologies:**

Richard Bradley	Friends of Quarry – <b>TREASURER &amp; TRUSTEE</b>
Jonathan Ives	Cyclox
Cllr Pat Kennedy	Oxford City (Lye Valley)
Philippa Logan	Shotover Preservation Society
Cllr Joe McManners	Oxford City (Headington Hill & Northway)
John Nealon	Headington Neighbourhood Forum
Judy Palmer	Local Resident and Rambler
Sonja Roffey	Mileway Gardens Residents' Association
Cllr Roz Smith	Oxfordshire County (Headington & Quarry)
Cllr Ruth Wilkinson	Oxford City (Headington)

	<b>Action</b>
<p><b>1. Apologies, welcome and introductions.</b></p> <p>Apologies as above.</p> <p><b>A reminder that if you are unable to attend a meeting it is acceptable that you send a representative on your behalf.</b></p> <p>The Chair reported that Cllr Ruth Wilkinson had resigned and that we were very grateful for all the work she had done for HA and she will be greatly missed by us, and all of Headington.</p>	



<p><b>4. Headington Market</b></p> <p>It is doing very well and being very well-managed by Charlie. There will be more stalls than ever for this weekend's festival and will stretch on the north side of London Road from Osler Road to the Natwest Bank. One of our Syrian refugees who has been helping with the setting up of the stalls is leaving and we need a replacement. It is a volunteering role but a payment is made – we are checking the legality of this arrangement. We will put a card on the notice board to advertise for someone. [Since the meeting Keith has advised that a new volunteer has been found]</p> <p>The new manager of Barclays Bank has agreed that market traders can use their parking spaces on Saturdays.</p> <p>We are trying to make contact with BT regarding the lane leading to the old telephone exchange to use for parking.</p>	<p><b>KF</b></p>
<p><b>5. Headington Festival</b></p> <p>All going to plan.</p> <p><i>Hebborns</i> will be running a reduced funfair on Sunday, and it is now going to be in the Park on Saturday too. The rides will be small and not generate the noise that was the problem in previous years. This will be a test of a new written contract for next year.</p> <p>We have received a grant from the City Council this year. This and other grants subsidise activities but will not be enough to cover the cost of bringing farm animals to the festival (a new activity). Two members of the festival committee have offered to access funds at their disposal to pay for the farm if required.</p> <p>We hope to break even – it all depends on the weather – but if necessary HA will underwrite as normal and make up any deficit.</p> <p>We still require a photographer as our usual ones are on holiday.</p> <p>MS announced that we are short of volunteers – 6 – 10 are required to distribute leaflets at the Saturday market and make bucket collections and carry out surveys on the Sunday.</p> <p>HA and HNP will have a joint stall and will also incorporate a section on the Museum of Oxford.</p> <p>The Lord Mayor will be giving out prizes for the photographic competition at 4pm.</p> <p>On Saturday EB will be interviewed by Radio Oxford at 10.40.</p>	
<p><b>6. Projects</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Greening of Headington was addressed by students at Oxford Brookes with a presentation of ideas on 1 May. There were some good ideas and some interesting suggestions. Amongst others, they promoted the idea of incorporating benches and flower planters and incorporating bee hotels.</li> <li>• GP pointed out that it would be important not to impede pedestrian traffic, particularly for the infirm, in any installation for planting on the footpath.</li> <li>• We do need a project manager to oversee these projects and to take a global view of the whole exercise.</li> <li>• About £40K is available from CIL monies and we are in discussions with the City council as to how we can access these funds – they are sent the bills for approved projects and they pay them.</li> <li>• There are various pots of money available to both city and county councillors as well as CIL money</li> </ul>	<p><b>ALL</b></p>

<p>and we will have discussions to explore the ways we can access these funds.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TJ thought that we should look at improving the pavement areas in Windmill Road as a new project.</li> <li>• The Lye Valley is an ongoing project on biodiversity and is bearing fruit already with new species appearing.</li> </ul>	<b>EXEC</b>
<p><b>7. Finance</b>          We have received 3 grant applications:</p> <p><b>The Oxfordshire Play Association</b> is applying for a Community Support Grant to provide a Wood Farm Play and Activity Day and is seeking <b>£500</b> for facilities management. As this will be open to people of Headington <b>we agreed to this request.</b></p> <p><b>Friends of Lye valley</b> are seeking a community grant to carry out a survey of the “running invertebrates” in the valley. The Lye Valley is well used by locals and organisations visiting (Oxford Civic Society have two visits pending) and Brookes and Headington School are variously involved over the year on projects.          There is ongoing scything, weeding and raking taking place.          This survey may well show up some rare creepy crawlies and will help to preserve the sanctity of the valley over potential developers in the future. It will provide a baseline survey to monitor trends in the future          As this facility is open to all in Headington and beyond and is a valuable asset <b>we agreed to this request for £500</b> – this is made up of £300 for the survey and £200 to supplement the tools that the volunteers use.          A report following the survey will be forthcoming.</p> <p><b>Allstar Heroes</b> are seeking a small sparks grant to publicise cheerleading classes starting at Cheney School this September. This would be for flyers and posters. They are seeking a grant pf £150          We agreed to this subject to confirming that this was a totally non-profit organisation run by volunteers.   <i>We subsequently made contact with them and they confirmed their status, and also agreed to appear at the Saturday Market in the future.</i>  <b>We therefore sanctioned the grant of £150.</b></p>	<p><b>RB</b></p> <p><b>RB</b></p> <p><b>RB</b></p>
<p><b>8. AOB</b>          None.</p>	
<p><b>9. The meeting closed at 8.50</b></p>	
<p><b>Dates of next meetings for your diary: 25 July 26 September 28 November</b></p>	