Environment & Highways Report

Working Party Meeting held on Thursday 13thFebruary 2014 John Lampon Hall

Councillors present	David Short, Murray Harlow, Rachel Howard, Jenny Church, Harry Stone, Phil Walby
Apologies	Rosemary James

1	**War Memorial**	
	The owner of the memorial site at the brewery is to meet with John Gili-Ross. The memorial needs repairing but to move the memorial would cause damage.	Agenda item
2	**Traffic Safety Plan**	
	A poster of the proposed improvements to safety has been placed on the notice board at the Coop for information. We wait to hear from ECC when work is likely to commence.	HS Agenda item
3	**Armoury Road/Colchester Road.**	
	The problem with drainage along this area has not been resolved. JGR has contacted ECC Highways and we await further information.	Agenda item
4	**Allotments**	
	Invoices for rentals have been sent out. Trevor Hollock has agreed to use the rotovator when required. The charge to plot holder is related to plot size. Payment to Trevor Hollock will be paid out of the charges.	Agenda item
5	**Poors Land**	
	As before we are waiting for the side land to be reinstated. Val has sent a letter to Ashe construction. Chris Stevenson will speak to ECC education dept. about this problem.	Agenda item
6	**Snow Patrol**	
	No problems with snow yet this year!!	
7	**Emergency Planning situation**	
	Harry reported on a meeting he attended with JGR. Plans for any future emergency locally could be devised.	HS
8	**Any Other Business**	
	i) New duck house for Queens Road pond is being constructed.	DS
	ii) Check to see if problem with laurel hedge by Garthwood Close has been remedied.	
	iii) Gary is giving his notice in for the end of March, awaiting written confirmation. Steve currently does 8 hours a week and it is proposed to increase this to 16 hours. Gary used many of his own tools for the handyman work. We need to look at hire or purchase of necessary equipment.	DS Agenda Item
	iv) There is now a kebab bar sited on Queens Head car park. We wait to hear if the result of a licence and planning application has been successful.	
	v) Fish and Chip bar – letter to be sent to owners proposing agreement with the arrangement of fee of £10 per month rental to be reviewed annually.	Agenda item
	Date of next meeting – Thursday 13th March 2014 4pm in JL Hall	