

South West Snooker Academy (Barry Kirby – Chair)

- Barry Kirby extended his gratitude to the academy for hosting our AGM.

Police and Crime Review (PC Sam Jones, PC Emma McDonald)

- PCSO levels diminished; however, crime is down 3.57% compared with 2009/10
- Community pilot launched with Primary School 'Kingsway Pumas'
- Impressed by Halloween event
- Speeding ops closed
- Some undercover ops have taken place
- Some focus on ASB in parks; Clive referred to two muggings made known to him
- Results of recent consultation to be published on Blog by Xmas; this will help to shape priorities for 2011/12
- Blog has played a role in supporting crime detection
- Two suspects arrested in connection with a recent theft near Kingsway
- Neighbourhood Watch coverage up to 60%

Review of the year (Barry Kirby – Chair)

- Kingsway featuring prominently at Parish, City and County level. e.g. City Vision, Transport Consultation and Boundary Review
- Public meetings are well attended attracting between 60 and 80 residents
- Public meetings have drawn in guests including Ian Mean, Editor in Chief of Glosmedia, Sue Oppenheimer, Chair of GlosVain, Andy Smith, Project Manager at QUVL, Councillors and other key stakeholders
- Negative media coverage has been addressed and Ian Mean invites residents to write to him about positive news and developments; Barry described the turnaround in news reporting as a "triumph"
- The committee organised a number of events including The Big Lunch, a pub quiz and Halloween
- Initial proposition for Parish Council status presented; helped us to define our locality in administrative terms; and to set out financial and other benefits

Financial review (Tony Bowden – Treasurer)

- Tony Bowden presented financial statement of accounts which have also been posted on the Blog
- Accounts have been independently audited
- Committee members each stood up to make themselves known to residents
- Final report included Chairman's statement
- Grant applications for the next fiscal year have been initiated

Committee and Constitution update (Barry Kirby – Chair)

- Barry extended his and the committee's gratitude to members standing down; Tracey, Laura and Aron
- Resident made enquiry about using specialists and Barry agreed these could be useful in the formation of any sub groups to advance specific projects
- Barry tabled a constitutional amendment that will enable members to get co-opted into roles at the first meeting rather than at each AGM; less intimidating for prospective volunteers
- The constitutional amendment was voted in unanimously

Activities for 2012 (Barry Kirby – Chair)

- The Queen's Diamond Jubilee adds another dimension (and day's bank holiday) to The Big Lunch
- Halloween
- Community litter picks, like the recent one done alongside Daniel's Brook
- Public meetings
- Parish Council proposition; next public meeting 12th January, 2012
- Working with local councils and QUVL to facilitate adoption
- What else?
Resident query re: commercial sponsorship for community facilities.

Kingsway Interaction Network (KIN)

- Reps from the area's housing associations (HA's) introduced themselves
- The network being comprised of GHA, SVHS, Oxbode and Guinness
- Their property portfolio is made up of shared and public ownership
- KIN have supported the School, Children's Centre and are the organisation behind the annual Kingsway fun day that takes place at QWFC in Waterwells
- KIN can help with consultation, the resolution of problems and in the development - and funding of – ideas and community groups
- KIN wish to help/involve *all* Kingsway residents; they have corporate social responsibility; and a vested interest
- KIN asked residents for their ideas, concerns and suggestions
- Resident feedback centred around the difficulty in communication; part of a wider problem that affects each resident; and each agency
- Better communication required between KIN, QUVL and Kingsway residents
- The network left goodie bags and their respective contact details
- Kate of SVHS played a 'pop up video booth' which is a series of interviews with residents who live in and around Kingsway –to see it, click:
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XzrU15KmUIU>

QUVL Update (Andy Smith – Quedgeley Urban Village Limited)

- Update provided on adoptions which included six balancing ponds
- Contractor preparing main roads for resurfacing and hence, adoption
- Open spaces adopted
- First phase of drainage adopted; Severn Trent Water have been served notice; in the interim, Gloucestershire Highways will take a 'dedication agreement'
- By Easter 2012, the first phase of Kingsways' highways will have been adopted
- Winter planting successful and is ongoing
- Footpaths between Daniels Meadows and Copeland Park nearing completion
- Parking patrols and enforcement; 15 tickets issued in November, eleven of which related to one vehicle; QUVL in receipt of photographic evidence
- Support for guidance (as opposed to highway) signs to facilitate pedestrian and cyclist movements to/from/across the village
- The KRA's proposition for an extended Pavilion has been noted
- Children and Young People's recreational amenities well catered for
- The Marsden's *Barn Owl* pub/restaurant nears completion
- Description of flood alleviation works being carried out by the Environment Agency (EA) alongside Daniel's Brook; commissioned by the city council, not QUVL; upon completion, a planting programme will introduce new trees in the Spring of 2012
- Andy to feedback resident concerns to the city council
- Andy to feedback resident concerns on street-lighting to the Council(s) and Enterprise Ltd.
- Prior to Christmas, QUVL focus is on lighting and the completion of the footpath down to Copeland Park
- 'Park 3' taking shape; represents a £300,000 investment
- Andy to meet with Stagecoach to discuss future routing of number 14 bus service
- 'School 2'; building scheduled to commence middle of 2012.

Resident concerns covered:

- Builders failing to keep sites safe and tidy
- Poor lighting and road/footpath surfaces; have caused personal injuries
- Parking issues in Valley Gardens including visibility of yellow lines
- Driving behaviour and "near misses" in Valley Gardens
- Driving behaviour in shared space; Barry suggested that the Police's SARA plan would need to be reinvigorated
- The removal of trees/bushes by EA has given little consideration to Kingsway residents whose properties back on to the brook; Andy described this as a "loss of amenity"
- Difficulty in reporting and resolving concerns, e.g. street lighting repairs. The respective councils, QUVL and the house builders failing to take responsibility
- Garden wall on Woodvale which had been damaged by a car has since been fixed after a long delay
- Query about routing of number 14 bus
- Access points designated for buses only versus access points for all vehicles

Parish Notices

- *Severn FM* launched 3rd December; supported and run by the community. Serves the parishes and suburbs of south Gloucester - Broadcasting from 87.9 FM and streaming from <http://www.severnfm.com>
- PC Lucy Kay is setting up a youth fishing group and is looking for mentors Lucy.kay@gloucestershire.pnn.police.uk
- Quedgeley Community Trust (QCT) are on the look out for people to join their editing team – Tel. 01452 549899; Web: <http://www.quedgeleynews.com>

Kingsway Residents Association: <http://www.kingsway-villagers.co.uk/residents-association>

Kingsway Village Blog: <http://www.kingsway-villagers.co.uk>