



Minutes of evening meeting 10th September 2015

1. **The parking changes update**
 - Most of the new roads markings have taken place and the final stage is to return the unused disabled space in Rugby Rd, to be part of our CPZ. That change should generate three new spaces for our cars. In total this long-winded project has created new parking space for around 20 cars
 - Now all we ask is if you can please park right at the end of the marked areas not leaving those frustrating 2m gaps at the end cutting down our available spaces!!
2. **Thames Water - will they be taken to court ?**
 - Hammersmith and Fulham council have served an Abatement Order on TW. They were given 50 days to comply and our money is on this going to court because no measure suggested by TW can change the odour generated when it rains - we keep our eyes open and noses closed and trust the Rugby World Cup will not be affected when the wind blows from the Mogden Sewage plant in Isleworth.....
3. **Action against the dairy behind Hatfield Rd**
 - There is a dairy behind the top of Hatfield Rd. The business has been taken to court numerous times and now we hope to see an Abatement Order issued to try to prevent the noise from this selfish business which it continues to generate, illegally, at all hours of the day
4. **Future park events**
 - Following the superb "Species" lecture, by our Ranger, Pat Robinson, we hope to schedule a spring meeting in the park to learn about all of next years further growth!!
5. **Our current SNT team**
 - The current team is on our website (<http://www.southfieldparktriangle.org/links.htm#VfFa0c5fSt8>) but last night we were joined by PC Simon Cole (our dedicated Southfield PC) and our new Sergeant, Carl Massey, who shared some local crime stats for our roads only, especially noting how often vehicle crime occurs when cars are left *UNLOCKED*.
6. **Southfield Safer Neighbourhood Panel AGM is on the 30th Sept, at the Cunnington St Mission - 7.00pm**



The Scout Hut

The land next to the hut is very hard to see because it is so overgrown and fenced but it is the land used by the old North Western Junction Railway where the Rugby Rd Halt used to be, last used just over 50 years ago! This land has been given to the Scouts and it measures approx. 50m x 10m

The plan

The land will be opened up and made safe for our local children to use. The environment will become a very special **Forest School** for the school users of the hut and of course the Scouts plus all the other users (yes us too). In addition several local schools have expressed interest to allow their children to use this opportunity to learn more about nature as part of their schooling

The work ... includes

1. Remove chain link fence making it good and safe
2. Provide new secure and open, low level wooden fencing with lockable gating
3. Clear the woodland floor at ground level & up to 3m – grind any stumps for safety
4. Treat Japanese knotweed / clear overhang to residents alley
5. Clear dead branches and one ground level shrub to ensure safety for users
6. Gather old wood and stack for use as wildlife home
7. Planting of new trees donated by and with guidance from, the **Woodland Trust** for future new growth and better coverage for the garden area
8. Build new secure sheds in the garden & remove the old sheds
9. New seating, log piles and a fire pit
10. Clearing all old rubbish by the side of the hut and clear the overhanging branches over the hut roof

The work DOES NOT INCLUDE

1. Chopping down or felling any tree - the 10 sycamores are all healthy
2. Reducing the height of the trees overall
3. Thinning pollarding topping or lopping of the trees
4. All this means that the view of the factory area will remain obscured from Hatfield Rd.

What has happened

Approval has been given by our local councillors

What still needs to happen

The final hurdle is to submit an application for formal financial approval by the council

When does this happen

It depends on formal council approval and then the availability of the money

It could be all done by Xmas

Local children could be enjoying a new challenging type of education by Spring 2016

