

Hughenden Valley Residents Association

Minutes of the HVRA Annual General Meeting held on Tuesday 22th May 2012 at Hughenden Valley Village Hall.

The meeting started at 7:30pm

1 **PRESENT:**

Lin Smith (Chairman), Angus Idle (Vice Chairman), Al Bowyer (Treasurer), James Perkins (Secretary)

Total number of additional attendees 29.

2 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:**

Anna Burniston, Geoff Wright, Daphne Hicks.

3 **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:**

The minutes of the 2011 AGM were circulated. Approval was proposed by Angus Idle and seconded by Al Bowyer and passed unanimously.

4 **MATTERS ARISING:**

None

5 **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Chairman read her report where she advised that there had not been any major issues this year and that the regular annual activities such as the Potter Quiz and Senior Citizens evening had been particularly successful. In fact additional revenue raised this year from the Potter Quiz would be used to provide a "Climbing Wall" event for the local youth. Full details of the report are attached to these minutes. The Chairman indicated that it was her wish to step down this year but due to the lack of applicants for the position she kindly agreed to stand for a further year.

6 **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

We had an excess of income over expenditure of £228.36 this year so the balance sheet increased to £5,709.14. Advertising revenue was similar to last year, subscriptions were down by £300 but income from the Potter Quiz increased nearly 70%. We always try to retain between £4,000 and £5,000 as a fighting fund so we are still in a healthy situation despite contributions to the AGAHST HS2 fighting fund. Production costs of Hughenden News were contained this year and the publication broke even. Membership fees were kept the same at £5 per household but senior citizens were given the option to pay the full fee rather than claim the concession.

7 **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Officers for 2012/2013 were appointed as follows:

Office	Nominee	Proposer	Seconder
Chairman	Lin Smith	James Perkins	Al Bowyer
Vice Chairman	Angus Idle	Al Bowyer	David Sharp
Treasurer	Al Bowyer	Rosemary Hewitt	James Perkins
Secretary	James Perkins	Lin Smith	Angus Idle

10 **GUEST SPEAKER**
Steve Cohen, editor of the Bucks Free Press (BFP) gave an amusing and entertaining presentation on his experiences in newspaper publishing over the years with several amusing anecdotes about Tim Blott his predecessor at the BFP and former resident of Hughenden Valley. He particularly emphasised the benefits of the immediacy brought about by electronic communications and indicated how BFP had embraced the technology through their web site. A particular reference to an eye injury had highlighted the issues about the proposed closure of the Wycombe Hospital Accident and Emergency unit and how the BFP was fighting the closure.

The Chairman thanked the speaker for his entertaining presentation and the meeting was brought to a close at 8.30pm.

Chairman.....

Secretary.....

Date.....