

Hughenden Valley Residents Association

Minutes of the HVRA Executive Committee Meeting held on
Tuesday 3rd March 2015 at Hughenden Valley Village Small Hall

The meeting started at 7:30pm.

Action

1 PRESENT

Janet Idle (Chair)	Angus Idle	Rosemary Hewitt
John Miller	John Dockett	Jerry Morley
Andrew Capey (Secretary)	Michelle Jennings (guest)	Sara Hamilton
Geoff Wright	Clare Atkinson	
Simon Keary – only for the first substantive item		

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

James Perkins	Christine Bowyer	Jill Thompson
Anna Burniston	Al Bowyer (Treasurer)	Heather Dempsey
Daphne Hicks	David Sharp	Andrea Hulley
Carole Palmer		

Other Road Representatives

Karen Dynes	Edna Parker	David Mynors
Alison Gieler	Virginia Foster	Rachel Fountain

Reports, written or verbal, are welcome from all members.

3 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON 3rd FEBRUARY 2015:

The minutes were read & signed as correct record with the following amendments:

Item 8a: Replace "...sent to John Beveridge ~~Bev Beverly~~ & Philip Morgan."

Item 9.a & 14.d: Delete "Liddington"

Item 10. P/7: Replace "Ji will attend."

Item 13.g: Delete "Environment Agency"

4 MATTERS ARISING:

Simon Keary (Hughenden Parish Councillor) led a discussion on recent (HPC) matters.

Details are under the following Items. Please note the meeting on 7th March at 12.00 in the Cabin (Item 7.a below), & discussion of facilities at Magnolia Park (Item 8.b. below).

- Following the HPC survey of residents' requirements, HPC now seeks to promote youth initiatives. For sports activities HPC has 2 proposals: To organise a youth event, or to have a rotating youth club in local village halls. The latter would require a youth worker.

- Water drainage, this appears to be stable at present.

- Planning request for changes to the King George V sports field changing rooms is about to be made.

- Transport – noted the concern over potholes & discussion of speed limits.

- SK reported that he also sits on WDC Infrastructure Committee, ensuring that services & traffic capacity are appropriate for building developments.

SK left after this discussion & the Agenda was resumed.

Item 9 P/7: RH & JI attended a workshop run on 7.2.2015 by Wycombe District Council to discuss the reserved site at Terriers Farm for new housing development. This is one of a series for all the reserved sites to provide feedback to WDC.

Item 12: Gully to Trees Road. RH has chased this up, but still no progress. RH will raise it with Cllr. David Carroll.

RH

5 TREASURER'S REPORT

This was tabled & accepted. A copy is attached with these minutes.

6 VACANCIES

6.a Road representatives for Valley Road are still required.
JI & RH to stand-in for now.

6.b Hughenden Parish Council –Two more councillors will be needed to fill our ward quota in May.
No specific action defined.

7 EVENTS & DATES 2015

7.a Sports update: Simon Keary at 12noon Saturday March 7th at the Cabin to discuss the results of the Sports Survey. All welcome

7.b HVRA AGM - Tuesday May 19th.

The presentation will be by the Chiltern Society.

The room booking will need to be updated to use the large hall. Exchange with R. Thyer-Jones

JI

7.c Senior Citizens Entertainment - Saturday June 20th.

No update

7.d Village Christmas Bazaar - (revised date) Saturday November 28th.

It was felt that there is a need to improve the Christmas atmosphere to the event, e.g. more relevant gift stall.

SH and more

8 INITIATIVES & UPDATES

8.a Cabin.

This continues to have a good level of use, however there is a need for volunteers to keep it clean. Please mention this to users or if you are passing.

8.b Sports facilities and cycle path.

Survey forms should be returned by 7th March, please. (As this will be too soon for Road Reps to receive these minutes, please send the forms in anyway so that our data is as complete as possible.)

JI reported that we have a volunteer to lead on cricket.

Road Reps

AI & JI attended the last HPC meeting.

There was extensive discussion about the state of the Magnolia Park facilities:

1. Their key business activity. Social activity seems to dominate. MJ reported on the

- intrusive noise levels for some evening events.
2. The exact ownership of Magnolia Park, AI to check the Land Registry, and the existence of any covenants, etc. AI
 3. RH reported that the LTA's Eastern Office is in H.W.
 4. RH reported that Bowls England (BE) knew that the Bowling Club had ceased and passed on the names of the Treasurer and Greens man who were heartbroken about giving the bowls club up. Again BE would love it to reform and would offer assistance. More than forty names are needed.
 5. RH reported that photographs, past and present, of the site will be considered by a WDC Councillor who will decide what to forward to the WDC Planning Officers, particularly with regard to car parking, hard standings/ road and relevant planning permission. Sports / recreational facilities were brought in by BroomWade on land purchased in 1960 in part of the designated Hughenden Park, for their employees and in general, any Hughenden Valley residents who wished to join.
 6. It was questioned whether the scope/remit of HVRA extends to cover as far down the valley as Magnolia Park & the channels we should use (except that it is the introduction to Hughenden Valley). Letter to Magnolia Park to be drafted by JI & RH. JI & RH
 7. JI said we are a Green Belt Settlement in the AONB, which is rare, and we have to be careful to keep it.

8.c email spread – coverage of.

Some Road Reps keep an informal list of email addresses of residents in their road, where the resident has agreed that they can do so. The advantage is that messages can be disseminated very quickly when required. All Road Reps

Other Road Reps may consider doing so, but some do not wish to. AC

AC agreed to create a small set of guidelines relating to Data Protection in this context. AC

How many people live within the scope of HVRA?

9 PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT

P/1 Wright's Yard roof

RH wrote to WDC on behalf of HVRA planning sub-committee raising the issue of the colour of the new roof. We are waiting decision. One District Councillor will be monitoring this item.

P/2 Uplands

Entrance lights are on. On the planning side – no application has been received for development yet.

P/3 Footpaths and pavements

The footpath from Cryer's Hill roundabout to the town boundary has now been completely cleared.

The path up Cryer's Hill still needs attention despite it being a pedestrian access route to the schools. RH has today asked David Carroll to help by asking the Local Area Technician (LAT) to investigate on safety grounds. RH & DH to monitor overall progress, Cllr David Carroll was emailed on 3rd March. RH DH

AI has reported excessive moss on pavements, e.g. on the North facing path joining Whitfield & Burnham Roads. It will take some weeks for the council to verify the problem (10d) & then schedule work (28d).

Noted that stump posts on the verge outside the Harrow have been removed, with consequent damage to the verge where cars have parked.

- P/8 Magnolia Park**
See notes under 8b above.
- P/6 Stables at Bryants Bottom** 14/08256/FUL
The degree of concern over this application can be seen from the number of objections logged on the WDC planning web site. Neighbours still complain that the site is a mess and construction items are stored in the stables.
We understand that the retrospective application has been 'called-in'.
- P/9 Village green application at Bryants Bottom**
Bucks planning has approved.
- 10 COMMUNICATIONS**
- 10.a Hughenden News**
JD reported that the deadline for submitting articles has now passed. Proofing & printing is under way, with the intention of delivery to Road Reps by 24th March.
JD has approx. 50 e-mail contacts for material. Suggestions for sources are welcome. **All**
There is a potential gap in advertising levels. The query about population size in item 8c above is to provide background information to advertisers. JI to discuss how we can improve advertising revenue with AB. **JI/AB**
The Naphill Village magazine was discussed. They publish 10 times a year, have a very high level of adverts & use a larger format.
- 10.b Website – no report**
Noted that only 2 local societies contribute material to the web page.
- 10.c Correspondence**
Following concern over parking on pavements, an updated article for HV News to be produced. **RH, AI, DH**
- 11 ROAD REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS**
Litter clearance on Valley Road has been done.
No other reports, AI asked that all Road Reps consider sending in reports. Improvements or problems may be obvious to those who live on a specific road but it may benefit the rest of the village to hear about it. **All Reps**
- 12 OTHER REPORTS**
- 12.a Road safety.**
As noted previously the committee approves the request for a 30 mph limit on all of Coombe Lane. No reply yet from James Perkins of HPC & LAF. **AI JM**
- 12.b Parish Council – No news, JI & AI have reviewed the latest meeting papers.**
- 12.c Village Hall – Ideas for improvements to be sent to Michael Sole.** **All**
- 12.d Village Shop – as usual, there is a need for more assistants.**
- 12.e Neighbourhood Watch – no news**
- 12.f Neighbourhood Action Group**
RH reported: The mobile Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS) is in place outside Deeters.
RH suggested that a sensor as used at Pipers Lane Corner (shows speed above & below the limit) be considered.
- 12.g HVDIG**
- 13 A.O.B**

- 13.a** JI presented a photocopy of a map of the valley & surrounding hills from the early 1800s, used for military training.
- 13.b** Reported that a generous donor has offered flowering plants to be used in troughs at the village gates.

The meeting closed at 9.50pm.

Date of Next Meeting: Next meeting Tuesday, 7th April 2015 at 7:30pm

Chairman.....

Secretary.....

Date.....

**Hughenden Valley Residents Association
Treasurers Report
03/03/2015**

Deposit Account			
Statement 31st January 2015	£	2,058.91	
Transfer to/from Current Account			
Total At		03/03/2015	£ 2,058.91
Current Account			
Statement 31st January 2015	£	2,181.47	
Transfer to/from Deposit Account			
Total At		03/03/2015	£ 2,181.47
Cash & Cheques in hand			
Cash Held	£	201.34	
Cheques Unbanked	£	49.00	
Total At		03/03/2015	£ 250.34
Total Overall Funds			£ 4,490.72
Uncleared Cheques			£ -
Uncleared Payments in	£	285.00	£ 285.00
Other current known unpaid liabilities			
Available Funds			£ 4,775.72

Notes & Highlights:

Advertising Revenue received for 2014 so far	£	3,371.00
Advertising Revenue received for 2015 so far	£	287.00
Subs received so far for 2014-2015	£	1,840.00