

Hughenden Valley Residents Association

Minutes of the HVRA Executive Committee Meeting held on
6th October 2015 at Hughenden Valley Village Small Hall

UNCONFIRMED

The meeting started at 7:30pm.

Action

1 PRESENT

Janet Idle (Chair)	Angus Idle	John Dockett
Michael Sole	Cllr. Peter Gieler	David Sharp
Jerry Morley	Heather Dempsey	Rosemary Hewitt
Clare Atkinson	Andrew Capey	Jill Thompson (from 8:30pm)

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Edna Parker	Anna Burniston	Paul Jenner
Karen Dynes	James Perkins	Al Bowyer
Chris Bowyer	Carole Palmer	Geoff Wright

Road Representatives who do not come to the meetings.

Alison Gieler	Virginia Foster	Rachel Fountain
David Mynors		

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

3 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 1st September 2015

9a. AC to clarify email rules

8a. Great Kingshill Parking Petition, 3rd paragraph - please add "to prevent lorries parking in the lay-by" after "traffic order".

13c. Still need volunteers. Please delete "5th &" and "(both Saturdays)" as RH was looking for volunteers for Saturday, 12 September only. In actuality a volunteer from Great Kingshill stepped in.

4 MATTERS ARISING

9a. Beginning of 3rd paragraph – AC has not yet written to Road Reps, pending the clarification noted above.

5 TREASURER'S REPORT

The report from AB was tabled by the Chair.

Notice board on the shop – AB suggests a new one as old is falling apart, £400 estimate, to assist the shop. (Update: This has been mended instead)

Agreed

Lollipop support – should we support in future? £200 estimate, to clarify by JI to the school.

JI > AB

Referenced to AB

Mandate signing – AB will meet with AC

AB, AC

Tombola at Christmas Bazaar needs a volunteer.

All

6 EVENTS & DATES 2015

6.a Harry Potter Quiz

Saturday 17th October, 7pm for 7:30pm start.

AB submitted a written report.

There is strong interest.

- Need volunteers to help with food platters & laying out the tables on the Saturday afternoon.
- 6.b Village Hall Christmas Bazaar** Saturday 28th November, 2pm - 5pm.
Progressing, no issues.
- 6.c Christmas Tree lights & Carols** Sunday Dec 6th, time to be confirmed.
The tree will be lit for the children, but every day for Christmas lights later.
- 6.d Village Day 2016.**
The date has not yet been set.
- 6.e Village Hall Films.** Review, part of a High Wycombe initiative.
2nd October was a sell out. 50p children, £3 adults
Second session on 9th Oct.

(HPC recognises the need for proper advance publicity on all sorts of activity, see recent activity – IT bus, climbing wall. Cllr Simon Kearey has been asked to present his ideas to HPC for 2016)

- 6.f Hughenden Valley Art Exhibition** is taking place on:
Fri 9th Oct 19:00-21:30
Sat 10th Oct 10:00-17:00
Sun 11th Oct 12:00-17:00

7 HUGHENDEN NEWS - NEXT EDITION

JD reported that he has issued a call for contributions today.
The deadline is 30th Oct., for the issue to be available by the end of November.

RH asked if police had provided a note on parking on pavements. RH will chase up via NAG. **RH**

JI suggested a 'useful numbers' page would be a helpful addition.

8 CONSULTATIONS

- 8.a HVRA/VH/HVFC Sports Initiative Committee** Update from meetings in August & September.
JI reported that there have been 4 meetings between VH, the football club & HVRA. There will be a presentation on October 13th at the HPC meeting. MS, Dylan Jones, RH, JI & AI, Neil Bellamy (chair of the football club) to attend. (update: Limited to two minutes)

A topographic survey has been carried out.

'Fields in Trust' (http://www.fieldsintrust.org/fit_funding.aspx), who protect King George V playing fields across the UK, as part of their 90yr celebrations, are making £45k available to 2 playing fields. JI has the application form, and we will apply.

- 8.b Cycle path** meeting with Gene DaRocha. Meeting with Gene DaRocha on 12th September and consequent ideas. Positive.

JI & AI met Mr DaRocha, and he may produce an article for Hughenden News, based on his article in the Naphill Gazette. The aim is to link up with the green road in the Hughenden Quarter. An alternate route from Naphill would be via Downley.

JD to contact if JI can give him e-mail address. **JD, JI**

JM was concerned over use of the track by serious cyclists that might deter amateurs.

CPRE – has responded to a letter from AI about funding. **JI plus**

MS suggested that a working team be set up but JI was not keen at this stage, waiting to meet LJ, Gene DaRocha and WDC Planning. **Sports Committee**

- 8.c AfLP**, the HVRA Response to New Scheme (not Representation)
AI, JI & others have written a response to the latest proposal by the Charity Commissioners. A copy is available from JI & AI on request.

- 8.d Uplands** visits 17/18 September
MS & PG attended plus AI/JI, RH,PG. The overall impression is positive, though the number of residences being planned has increased. It may be possible to have a pedestrian/cycle path at the rear of the property.
It is not yet clear what level of access by the new residents to this listed property will be possible.
- 8.e Brands Hill Residents Association**
JI has received a letter from them asking for our support over recent planning applications to which they object. See WDC planning site. They have overall concern over development in their area, including Terriers and particularly to Brands Hill properties being converted to two multiple occupation units of nine units each.
- JI will reply, but RH observed that our impact on Council planning decisions in this case would be minimal, as we are not directly affected. **JI**
- 9 HVRA DATA PROTECTION AND GOOD PRACTICE.**
- 9.a Authorisation Documents**
AC & AB will meet when AB is over his flu. **AC, AB**
- 9.b Website**
The new design is in place – comment is welcome. **ALL**
Hopefully more material can be posted to give a more up-to-date feel. The Chair will retain oversight of material originating from the Committee.
At present the web master can post material, this will be expanded to include the Secretary & others as required.
- The Secretary can update the calendar so dates for any events can go to him or the web master.
- 9.c Correspondence**
AC to clarify as noted in matters arising. **AC**
- 10 SPORTS COMMITTEE REPORT.**
See 8A above.
- 11 PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT**
- 11.a BuildBase roofs appeal.**
RH reported that they have withdrawn the appeal & are exploring solutions.
- 12 ROAD REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS**
Jerry M expressed concern over the targeting of vulnerable resident(s), e.g. Using 'delivery of papers' as a cover for testing the security of properties.
Could the NAG provide an article to Hughenden News?
- PG reported on the poor state of some of the pavements on Cryer's Hill. Some trees at the top of the hill have been cut back. **PG**
- AI reported a positive outcome relating to Barclaycard who had taken over a customer list from another loyalty card issuer & then mistakenly written to JI. Upon making an inquiry, their fraud department responded promptly & clearly. **AI**
AI will be monitoring bin collection on those days when the green bin is collected. e.g. On Whitfield & Burnham Roads this can be late, or even take place on the next day. Other Road Reps did not recognise this as an issue.
- RH reported that TFB say that they will be in touch w.r.t the Trees Rd. JI suggested contacting Matt Hopkins as he is researching specific road entries on to Valley Road. **RH**
RH also noted tarmac breaking up at the exit to Trees Av.
- 13 OTHER REPORTS**

13.a Village Shop.

JT reported that they will have as stall at the bazaar, & a team at the Potter quiz.
4 volunteers will take up self-defence training, as discussed at the VH committee.

Toilet – a portaloo is in place, sourced from BuildBase. It is meant to be for customers only but is being used by others. There is a weekly rental charge & a charge to empty.

JT MS

Discussing bins with the village hall. Overflow rubbish from events in the Halls can end up in the shop's bin.

JD, JT

Christmas lights & carols as in Item 6.c above, the large hall is reserved in case of adverse weather. The Shop is supporting the film nights with the sale of popcorn & chocolates.

JD asked about information for shareholders – Jill says that Louise should have his email. JD & JT to discuss/clarify.

13.b Village Hall.

MS reported – major events/projects as noted above.

Also:

The overall roof renovation (approx. £12k) is due to start in next month.

The specification for the upgrade to the audio-visual systems is still being developed.

Jl asked about insurance for minors, eg. For a proposed Forest School to use the conservation area. MS to talk with John Beveridge.

MS

13.c Hughenden Parish Council.

PG reported on

a. He was involved in judging the allotments. He is seeking to create a liaison group for each allotment site. Plus he is exploring the idea of having a fallow allotment at each site to encourage wild flowers, bees etc. AI can explain problems with this.

AI PG

b. HPC owns 2 out of the 6 playgrounds in the Parish but owns & maintains the equipment. Consequently PG is developing a Playground policy. Responsibility for insurance is not clear. There has been a prolonged issue with exposed nails on the fence of the HV playground.

ALL

c. Finally a comment to improve requests for funds. The HPC has limited funds so Residents Associations must ensure that they understands & agree priorities when making bid for funds. Ensure that our Councillors know of any request before it is made. As a point of information, HPC is the PC with largest area in Bucks, which has an impact on spending patterns.

13.d HVDIG

Central Government funds have been released to provide consultancy develop plans to manage drainage. Approx £25k for HV to be used by water services, other sites being Saunderton & Monks Risborough.

13.e Neighbourhood Watch –

There are still 6 roads without a scheme. New co-ordinator required?

NAG

RH reported that the NAG is seeking volunteers to help with a litter pick on Cryer's Hill. Parking on pavements is an offence when it obstructs the pavement or roadway. If you see an offence, we are asked to photograph it and send it to PC Lee Turnham.

The last CSW on Saturday 12 Sept revealed

07.30 – 8.30	Boss Lane 29 drivers exceeded the speed limit
09.00 – 10.00	Orchard Close 39 “ “ “ “ “ “
10.30 - 11.30	Wrights Yard/Valley Road 10 drivers “ “

Combining all 4 wards in the Parish, 1544 letters have been sent out between January and July 2015.

Chiltern District Council is also carrying out similar CSW sessions.

HPC are considering providing additional YSI units (like the one near Pipers Corner) to each ward so that they can have one at both ends of the problem roads.

NAG minutes expressed a wish to extend the 30mph limit further down Cryer's Hill.

13.f **Local Area Forum update - Lacey Green Village Hall (9/9/2015)**

Great Kingshill School petition – there was no update on this but a vigorous discussion took place there, reflecting the concern & frustration with this problem. Bucks CC appear to be seeking to delegate responsibility. Allowed school expansion had evolved without proper infrastructure development. HPC may lease the hard standing area and take charge of parking, one idea put forward.

JJ noted that she has a letter from BCC on a County wide parking consultation in autumn 2014.

14 **A.O.B**

JM noted latest guidance from Dept. for Communities & Local government includes improved planning rules to manage sites for travellers in Green Belt etc.,

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-rules-will-offer-stronger-protection-against-unauthorised-occupation>

and

[https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/457420/Final planning and travellers policy.pdf](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/457420/Final_planning_and_travellers_policy.pdf)

RH asked for ideas for the entertainment/alternative for the Senior Citizens Event next year, so that it can be booked in good time. **ALL**

The meeting closed at 2204hr

Date of Next Meeting: Next meeting Tuesday, 3rd Nov 2015 at 7:30pm

Chairman.....

Secretary.....

Date.....

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Treasurers Report**

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Deposit Account	
Statement 30th September 2015	£ 2,059.86
Transfer to/from Current Account	