

**MINUTES OF THE HVRA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON
6TH NOVEMBER 2018 AT HUGHENDEN VALLEY SMALL HALL**

UNCONFIRMED

WELCOME

Action

Angus welcomed everyone to the meeting, held on the cusp of winter!

PRESENT

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| 1. | Angus Idle (Chair) | Janet Idle (Co-Chair) | Peter Cannon (Treasurer) |
| | Rosemary Hewitt (Secretary) | Janet Howe | James Perkins |
| | Nancy Pomfret | Lin Smith | Grant Townsend |

2. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** were received from Becky Bonnerjae, Al & Christine Bowyer, Anna Burniston, Andrew Capey, Karen Dynes, John Dockett, Daphne Hicks, Jerry Morley, David Mynors, Michael Sole, Cllr Geoff Wickett and Revd. Keith Johnson.

Road Reps who do not attend meetings:

Virginia Foster Alison Gieler

Reports, written or verbal, are welcome from all members whether they attend meetings or not.

3. **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON 2ND OCTOBER 2018** were read and approved as a correct record of the meeting.

4. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

7a) LS reported that the water leak at Fleet Close has been fixed

8a) Road from Bryants Bottom to Redland End is signed as Failed Road Surface, but will not be repaired until the problems with road water have been solved

Chiltern Motors – After the September HVRA meeting RH did pass on via WDC on-line Enforcement Portal details of the company's parking vehicles *For Sale*. To date she has not received a response. She will register concern again as the grass verges lie in an area where the Advertisement Controlled policy is in place.

RH

5. **TREASURER'S REPORT**

The Current Account has a balance of £1,761 and £7,065 is on Deposit. Subs of £300 were received during last month bringing the total to date to £1,988 from 398 households.

PC

PC commented that every effort should be made to recruit from South Maundin as only 15 households are members of the HVRA. Where possible, methods such as bank transfer, Direct Debit and Standing Orders should be used to collect subs by 1st July in future. Not everyone was in agreement.

6. **HUGHENDEN NEWS – EDITOR'S UPDATE AND DISTRIBUTION**

The magazine should be on time whenever possible and Co-Chairs will help

**JD
AI & JI**

7. **HVRA COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

a) **Road Reps' Reports and Emails**

- i) Elizabeth Carless's special talk on Diabetes Type 2 will be held on Wednesday, 28th November in the large Village Hall.

All

- ii) **Cherry Tree Close.** Catherine Hinds (she likes to be called “Cacs”) is to replace Clare Atkinson as Road Rep.
 - iii) **Warrendene Road.** A Road Rep will be required as AL & Christine Bowyer are resigning from some duties.
 - iv) **Coombe Lane Visibility** from Village Hall, exit obscured by hedges. AI will contact BCC/TfB.
 - v) **More cars** for sale are being parked on Valley Road verge AI will contact BCC/TfB **RH AI**
 - vi) **Coombe Lane/Main Road.** Strange TCP-like continuing smell was reported by AI and he will contact WDC Health & Safety **AI**
 - vii) **Noise problems** from hotrod drivers around the village at weekends were reported and will be monitored **AI**
- b) **Constitution.** The sub-committee had met and now that people are available will need to meet again to amend the Constitution to prevent last minute candidate applications being submitted after the official deadline. **Sub-Cttee**
- c) **HVRA EVENTS HELD ON 29TH SEPTEMBER**
 JI had recorded the day’s events in the next issue of *Hughenden News* but briefly reported its success and future points. **JI**

LS and RH had helped throughout the day and it was rewarding meeting residents from all parts of the village including several from Bryants Bottom. The children were brilliant and raised numerous issues of concern plus a lengthy wish-list that included having a drop-in library located somewhere in the village and a vending machine in the village shop so that they don’t have to wait in a queue! They expressed anxiety about the pedestrian crossing .by the Surgery with concerns that the speeding traffic does not always stop, and that the black and white paint is virtually non-existent and needs re-painting. JP said replacing the crossing is expensive, e.g. a Local Authority Survey costs £10,000 and £20,000 to install a Panda Crossing. **(AI
JI
LS
RH)**

As GT frequently witnesses speeding vehicles he queried whether a police camera van visits the Valley. Apparently it does from time to time.

- d) **Planning –** to be discussed at Item 8 cii and 8 ciii

8. HVRA COMMITTEE BUSINESS continued

- a) **Traffic, Pot Holes, Bryants Bottom Road, Cryers Hill Parking**
 - Repairs to the “failing road” in Bryants Bottom are on hold.
 - The recent *Road Closed* sign near North Dean was due to building works in Chapel Lane, Speen.
 - Lorries continue to park in the Cryers Hill layby despite accumulating numerous parking tickets! **DH**

JP stated that numerous logs that have been positioned on the grass verges along the school-end of Cryers Hill Lane by residents and the National Trust are illegal. If a pedestrian tripped over one of the logs or a vehicle crashed into them, who would one take action against?

The issue of what should be legally placed on the verges is to be discussed by the

Parish Council. It was also noted that several residents in Bryants Bottom have placed small logs or wooden posts on their verges to prevent parking etc. but the same law applies. **Parish Council**

b) Comments on Village Day. September meeting of the Village Day Committee

Some Committee members were disappointed that Village Day only made a surplus of £400 when the HVRA Pimms Stall made a £600 profit. JP stressed that the day's event was to be enjoyable and not to make a profit. Lots of issues were raised and constructive comments made. JP suggested that as the Village Day team, including the Chair, were stepping down then if we wished to get involved we should join the new Committee for 4th July 2020 as it needed new blood with new ideas.

All

ci) Local and Unitary Authorities

Secretary of State, James Brokenshire, is supporting a new single Unitary Authority that will cover the whole of Buckinghamshire, excluding Milton Keynes.

cii) WDC, Green Belt and Glynswood

On 29 August WDC received an Outline application, Ref: 18/07274OUT, for 39 dwellings, (including details of Access, Layout & Scale) with associated landscaping, open space and infrastructure on Land to the north and east of Glynswood. As the site lies in Green Belt GB2 and AONB a decision is awaited from the Planning Inspectorate following WDC's consultation process for its New Local Plan. (**Glynswood** was not earmarked as a housing development throughout the initial search for potential Green Belt sites but was put forward by the landowner). JI emphasised that WDC had used the lower end of the site with WDC rangers with youngsters for moth trapping and hunting for glow worms which are now fairly rare.

**JI
Brands
Hill Res
Ass**

ciii) Uplands

Although planning permission was granted in September 2016 no development works have commenced and JI has not been able to make contact with the Italian owner to enquire about his plans. In September she attended WDC Local Plan Examination Hearings when Uplands was to be discussed but the meeting was aborted, postponed to 26th September, but the meeting took place before that unannounced causing annoyance to several nearby residents.

JI

civ) Lynwood, Valley Road. Permission refused.

Traffic

Logs on road verges Discuss with HPC
Cryers Hill Parking. Continuing problem with Recovery lorry at parking bay at GKC School (See 8a)

RH JP

cv) Village Day Washup

Village Day was not intended to raise funds but for general enjoyment. Lots of competition between the Shop and Valley Friends refreshments. Comments about too much liquor and very boring lack of activities. Also lack of access space between stalls gazebos. Date of next Village Day required

LS JP All

9. OTHER HVREA REPORTS

a) Website – No report. JP asked AI to forward the Minutes for uploading to the website; which he agreed

AI JP

b) Speedwatch and NAG

As Gt. Kingshill have 3 speeding devices, NAG discussed the possibility of passing on a

YISI (Your Indicated Speed Is) so that we can continue with Speedwatch sessions by using the device to register speeding drivers. Unfortunately, we do not have any suitable poles to secure it to.

As it is not cost-effective to repair the broken SID device we used when carrying out Speedwatch sessions HPC has agreed to put forward, at their 13th November meeting, a proposal to buy a video camera that records the speed and registration number of speeding vehicles. The camera would be set up by the side of the road with the usual warning signs and Speedwatch team nearby. At the end of the session the memory card would be extracted, placed into a PC for data downloading and offending speedsters would then receive a letter. We await their decision.

DM
RH

c) **HVDIG**

AI has spoken to Committee member Paul Woodford about the possibility of someone attending our meeting to give a report on HVDIG and the recent works carried out in the Valley. To be arranged. JI added that the National Trust is awaiting a large financial hand-out that will enable them to carry out works.

AI

10. **OTHER REPORTS**

a) **Village Hall**

AI reported on the list of items from MS:-

MS

- The **replacement playground equipment** was installed at the end of October followed by an official inauguration ceremony.
- **15th November - Christmas lights** will be installed costing £3,500.
- **24th November 2 – 5pm - The Christmas Bazaar & Craft Fair.** Flyers for the 2 **Tombolas**. A Rota will be distributed seeking help.
- Acoustic panels have been installed in the Hall and the insulation for the Small Hall is waiting for it to be fitted by the end of November.
- **2nd December - Carol Singing and Switching on Christmas Lights for just that day.**
- **22nd December - Christmas Dance.** Please obtain tickets from Dianna Gibbons.
- **7th January 2019 - Village Hall AGM** to be held in the Small Hall.
- Vacancies exist for Treasurer and Secretary because Bob Hawkins and Dylan Jones are stepping down at the AGM.
- The Leases for the Shop and Football Cub have not been awarded because there is an impasse.
- At last night's Village Hall meeting the Chair of both the Committee and the Trustees stepped down.

JI

b) **Village Shop and Cabin – No report**

c) **Hughenden Parish Council – New Councillors**

Naphill & Walters Ash have two new Councillors: Anita Boekee and Paul Hardinge.

Cllr Simon Kearey has enlisted numerous people from all four Wards, including JI for Hughenden Valley, to bring together and collate their research and findings on the *History of the Parish Council* over the past 125 years. At the end of this huge task a "big bash" will be held at the end of 2019. JI will attend tomorrow's inaugural meeting in the Parish Office.

SK JI

AI JI

d) Hughenden Street Association

Founder BucksCC Street Association Co-ordinator, Natalie Judson, has left her role and is no longer working for the Council. JI will be unable to stand-in for Ann Smart at tomorrow's Street Association meeting as no telephones were answered. Apologies were sent

JI

The Co-Chairs are still waiting to hear back from Road Reps whether or not they wish to combine the roles of Street Association Rep and Road Rep, or share the role with a neighbour as they need to compile a full list. JI will write again to those Road Reps that have not responded. The following Road Reps present declared that they do not wish to take on the role of Street Association Rep:

JI

Janet Howe James Perkins Nancy Pomfret and Lin Smith

Rosemary Hewitt is a Road Rep and shares the Street Association Rep role with Jane Birkenhead, a Valley Road resident.

AI has forwarded a list of about 20 spurious calls arising from the use of invalid numbers, to Chris Holden of Trading Standards who is putting them on a data base.

AI

e) The Chilterns Conservation Board (CCB) has been sending out information involving the Central Chilterns Landscape Partnership Scheme regarding *Chalk, Cherries and Chairs* that is Heritage Lottery Funded. There have been conversations locally and a team has been set up consisting of one Parish Councillor, Hilda Stearn, along with Paul Cawte. Stan Jones and Victoria Austwick.

JP had received an email from Vicki Pearce, Communications Manager of the Chilterns Conservation Board and HPC have asked him to distribute the Chilterns AONB Draft Management Plan (2019-24).as the CCB are seeking feedback/views by 31st December 2018. Co-Chairs also asked him to keep us all informed.

**JP
31Dec**

11. AOB – None

AI thanked everyone for a very informative meeting.

The date of the next meeting is 4th December at 7.30pm in the Small Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.40pm.

Signed.....

Date.....

