

# NORTH WEST FARNHAM RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

## COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2020

**Present:**

David King (DK)  
Penny Marriott (PM)  
Vivienne Miller (VM)  
Anne Pullinger (AP)  
Julie Russ (JR)

	<u>Action</u>
<p><b>Apologies:</b> Stephen Spence, Richard Gunner</p>	
<p><b>Minutes of previous meeting and matters arising:</b></p>	
<p>The minutes were approved as an accurate record and JR will take them and the previous minutes to PM's house so that she can sign them.</p>	PM, JR
<p>DK has put a link to the Town Council on the website. He is trying find out how to monitor the number of unique visits to our website and will let the Committee know when he has the information.</p>	DK
<p>PM decided at the last Committee Meeting that the newsletter would go to everybody in each deliverer's area.</p>	
<p><b>Treasurer's report:</b></p>	
<p>RG is on holiday but gave the bank account balances to JR, they are: current account £179.09 and savings account £5,445.62.</p>	
<p><b>Fields, Coxbridge and other planning: (DK)</b></p>	
<p><b>Fields:</b> The play area at Abbey View is still not acceptable. The area proposed by the developer for the playground was turned down by the council. DK visited the Waverley website and saw nothing to say that the developer or Waverley Borough Council have done anything about it. PM will investigate with Waverley.</p>	PM
<p>The footings for the 4 bedroom, 2 storey house between DK's property and the show house have been dug. It is being built on the show house car park area.</p>	
<p><b>Coxbridge:</b> The developer has stated that they will not deal with the drainage until outline planning permission has been given. PM thought Waverley were waiting for details of the drainage before giving permission. The owners of Coxbridge Farm say they have constructed a wildlife area over the last few years and that if planning permission is not given soon the wildlife area will be unable to function because of financial constraints.</p>	
<p><b>Footpath news (AP):</b></p>	
<p>AP has managed to contact Tim Thackery, the footpath warden for the North West Farnham area. The only concern he has is the increase in cyclists who travel fast along the paths. The paths they are using are those between Old Park Lane and Three Stiles Road and Three Stiles Road and Crondall Lane (possibly paths 10 and 94). Cyclists can cycle on bridleways but not footpaths so should not be using these paths. AP noticed that footpath 181 is in a poor state as trees have fallen over along the upper part. AP has been in touch with the footpath team and they said they will put it on their list and hope to clear it in about 2 weeks (possibly 15<sup>th</sup> September). The team can clear footpaths but not install gates, etc. PM asked AP to pass on the Committee's thanks to the footpath team for all their good work.</p>	AP

**Newsletter and deliverers:**

PM decided at the last meeting that the newsletter should be delivered to everybody in each deliverer's area. VM asked for 9 extra newsletters for the new houses in Castle Yard. She is still delivering to houses in Old Park Lane, although they have their own residents association. PM said she should continue to do so, but not to houses in Upper Old Park Lane. Upper Old Park Lane Residents Association are having a fight with the developer building the houses on the Folly Hill site, beside the Lane, because there is nowhere safe for the residents of the new houses to cross the road – a roundabout is being constructed and there is no crossing - and everything they need is on the other side (eg, Folly Hill School, Farnham Park, the footpath down Castle Street). Park View Residents Association managed to persuade Surrey County Council not to close Drovers Way but to install 4-way traffic lights at the end of Upper Old Park Lane during the roundabout construction.

**PM**

Most areas are now covered by deliverers. DK said he would deliver in Beavers Close and "Shabby" Lane. PM said that the newsletter should be finished at the end of this week and next week the Committee will receive a copy to look over. The week after it will be sent to the printers.

**PM  
Committee**

**Any Other Business:**

AP raised the issue of parking charges at Frensham Great Pond. Everyone now has to pay during the week and at weekends. She asked if National Trust members have to pay as at the Little Pond it seems that everyone has to pay. JR is a member of the working parties which carry out conservation work at the Great Pond and will ask the ranger if National Trust members have to pay for parking.

**JR**

AP mentioned that there is a proposal in this week's Herald that the Borough and the top of Downing Street should be closed because of congestion. She is concerned that this will cause congestion elsewhere, and so are Surrey County Council. PM said that the proposal would have to be considered by Waverley and the Farnham Town Initiative and thinks it would be a non-starter. The Farnham Liaison Forum is looking at Farnham traffic, etc. The road by the Nelson public house has been closed to traffic which means all the traffic going down Castle Street has to travel through the town.

AP asked if the cinema has pulled out of the Brightwells development. PM forgot to find out but will do so.

**PM**

JR sent an e-mail to Stephen Spence asking him to contact Surrey Highways about the sudden closure of the A31 from Farnham to Guildford last week which caused absolute chaos because there was no warning. She has received a reply from Surrey Highways and will forward the correspondence to the Committee.

**JR**

DK said that the website is up-to-date.

**Date of next meeting:** Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November at 16:30