

**NORTH WEST FARNHAM RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION**

**COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2026**

**Present:**

Sarah Burt (SB)  
Dave King (DK)  
Sue Ostrom (SO) (part)  
Anne Pullinger (AP)  
Tony Rooth (AR)  
Julie Russ

**Apologies:** Vivienne Miller, Penny Marriott, Emma Heath

**Minutes of previous meeting and matters arising from them:**

There were no matters arising and the minutes were accepted as an accurate record and signed.

**Treasurer:**

DK welcomed our new treasurer, Sarah Burt, to the meeting.

DK made contact with Lloyds Bank and gave the name of one of the signatories but they would not tell him the names of the others. DK gave SB a copy of our accounts and asked her if she could try and get access to our accounts. DK is trying to find the constitution but has so far had no success.

DK asked the Committee if they would agree to Sarah Burt being formally accepted as our treasurer. AP said we should have 2 signatories to the accounts and the Committee agreed to this and to accepting SB as our treasurer.

JR said she would ask Carol Gunner if there are any accounts documents. SB finds it odd that there are charges on our accounts and will investigate it.

**Community Speedwatch:**

DK has been checking up on Community Speedwatch number 2, which is not happening at present. He has now managed to contact Theresa Gesim and is aware that she is making very slow progress as she has been very busy and not in a position to get the Speedwatch going. She should have more time in June. Emma Heath has apologised that no-one has been out doing the Speedwatch but she has been busy and the weather has been bad. She is hoping to get it running again soon. DK will keep chasing Theresa and hopes to get number 2 going in May/June. Drivers have been caught speeding by the police, eg, 40 mph in a 20 mph zone. If drivers get caught by Speedwatch the police send them a letter and if a second letter is sent the police will visit them.

DK explained where Speedwatch 1 and Speedwatch 2 begin and end. Both have been approved so it is not necessary for a safety officer to come out.

**School Streets:**

There have been many infringements at the Potters Gate School Street and letters have been sent. After a second letter has been sent offenders have been fined. It has been 6 months since the School Street started and there has to be another consultation.

**Action**

**JR**

## **Fields, Coxbridge and other Planning (AR):**

**Old Park Development:** There was a very good report from David Beaman that Gleasons may be stepping aside in favour of Taylor Wimpey. Taylor Wimpey should be more collaborative with Abbey View Residents. It may be an extension of the current Abbey View estate and that could be an improvement. David Beaman got in touch with the officers at Waverley to say that there should be a consultation between the Abbey View residents and Taylor Wimpey. AR does not have information on when the Old Park development is likely to start or whether the developers will be pushing ahead quickly because of what is happening at Coxbridge where the houses are not selling and construction has ceased. SO said there is activity there but she is not sure if this is building work. SO said that some official looking people said that the roads on the Abbey View estate are not wide enough to accommodate construction traffic going to and from the new site.

**Coxbridge:** Cala Homes have sold off one third of the site to another developer and therefore the roads cannot be named at present.

**Proposed development of number 15, Old Park Lane:** There is a plan to build a mainly single storey building and the development looks all right to AR, but it will have an effect on the landscape. There is a 99 page objection by the Old Park Lane Residents Association, which is a professional document. The objections are mainly concerned with size, access, landscape and drainage. Old Park Farm looks more favourably on the plan but has objections. John Willacy wrote to DK with objections. The County Council Highways Department are not interested as they will not surface a private road. DK asked AR to contact John Willacy and follow up on his e-mail.

AR

**Woolmead:** AR has heard nothing further about the development of the Woolmead site. There are supposed to be bids going in to Homes England at the end of April.

**Brightwells:** There has been no change.

**Beavers Road:** AR's house is next to the section of road which is not maintained by the County Council. He has taken out insurance to cover it.

**Farnham Infrastructure Programme (DK):** There is nothing to add to the material DK sent to the Committee today and there is a link to it in the e-mail. It is progressing extremely slowly and 2 streets are short of paving.

## **Website (DK):**

Two messages were received, promoting website design, which were Spam. DK informed the Website Master, Tom, and he has put a stop on it. DK up-dates the website when he finds something of interest.

## **Footpath News(AP):**

At the last committee meeting JR reported a broken kissing gate and AP now knows where this is. The gate is off of its hinges and Alan Keeley has reported it as AP could not get into her computer. SCC and the Ramblers need to repair it but AP has not heard when it will be done.

AP is unhappy about the farmer failing to remove the electric fencing along the boundary of the field where there is a finger post pointing diagonally across the field (the finger post needs replacing) once his sheep are no longer in the field. AP reported the problem on the SCC website but has not received a response.

The Borelli Walk footbridge on footpath 302 is closed until further notice and Brightwells Yard Bridge can be used instead. No time scale has been mentioned for repair of the bridge.

**Communication with deliverers and collectors:**

JR will remove this item from the agenda as we do not have deliverers and collectors any more.

**JR**

**AOB:**

DK handed out some copies of The Chantries Newsletter. There is a page which advertises NWFRA and we now have a template we can use for advertisements elsewhere. AR will place adverts in Round About and Vantage Point.

**AR**

DK asked JR to invite councillors to our AGM, ie, David Beaman, Graham White, George Hesse and Andy MacLeod. He said that we need to get as many people as possible to attend the meeting and he therefore asked AR to send in adverts as soon as possible.

**JR**

**Date of next meeting:** Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June at 2.30 pm