

# NORTH WEST FARNHAM RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

## COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2019

**Present:**

Richard Gunner (RG)  
David King (DK)  
Penny Marriott (PM)  
John Plympton (JP)  
Julie Russ (JR)  
Stephen Spence (SS)

	<u>Action</u>
<p><b>Apologies:</b> Vivienne Miller</p> <p><b>Minutes of previous meeting and matters arising:</b></p> <p>PM stated any matters arising would be covered by items on the current agenda.</p> <p><b>Treasurer's report: (RG)</b></p> <p>At present the balance of the savings account is £5,442 and the current account balance is £220. RG will not be able to attend the Autumn Meeting but will ensure that there is a cash float available. Someone will need to take money on the door.</p> <p><b>Hop Fields, Coxbridge and other planning: (DK)</b></p> <p>Hopfields: DK has been in touch with John Bennet of Planning Enforcement who recommended contacting Alan Pit of Wimpey. Part of the Heras fencing has been removed and Wimpey have agreed to remove the rubbish inside it. DK suggested that Wimpey could make a monetary contribution for the use of his and his neighbours' land, or at least acknowledge that they had been trespassing, but this has fallen on deaf ears.</p> <p>JP said that someone was supposed to move in to one of the new homes in July but could not because there has been a hold up with the main drainage. The delay is due to UCCA not permitting access to drainage on its land, but this has now been resolved.</p> <p>Coxbridge: DK met Andy Macleod to discuss Coxbridge and is waiting to see what happens. Stewart Edge may pursue it further, but has been on holiday. The junction of Crondall Lane with West Street was discussed and a roundabout has been discounted because it would cause the traffic to build up in West Street. There has been discussion about installing a raised table at the end of Crondall Lane.</p> <p>PM said there is a new pot of money called the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) which will replace Section 106 in most cases. Section 106 money does not become available until most houses on a development are occupied, which will be the case at the Hopfields. Waverley Borough Council administers CIL.</p> <p>Very little has been done in Beavers Road other than the installation of paving with pimples. JR asked if Section 106 money could be used to repair the road, which is in a very bad condition, but PM thought it probably could not.</p> <p><b>October meeting preparation:</b></p> <p>JP has contacted Steve Waight and asked him if he could give a talk at the Autumn Meeting. He has agreed to do so and the talk will be called "Surprising facts you did not know about the</p>	

Castle". PM contacted David Graham to see if he could speak but he could not, however, he may be able to do so at a future meeting.

**Committee Members:** We now have a full committee and so no discussion was necessary.

**Footpath news: (JP)**

JP thanked SS for contacting Surrey County Council about getting money for footpaths. JP sent an e-mail to SS stating which footpaths need maintenance work and he forwarded it to Hannah Gutteridge who makes decisions on footpaths in South West Surrey. Hannah thanked JP for his suggestions and said that she hopes most of the work can be carried out. However, some work is now done by volunteers from Farnham Ramblers and other ramblers groups as Surrey Rights of Way had their funding cut and they can no longer fund vegetation cutting.

**Park View Residents Association (PVRA) and deliverers:**

PVRA area, which covers the old and new Folly Hill estates, adjoins the NWFRA area and PM feels we should try and work together. She suggested inviting the members of the PVRA Committee to our Autumn Meeting. This was agreed and PM will invite them.

JR said her husband has a spreadsheet listing the households he collects from, who has paid, who has left and those he is unable to collect from because there are large gates which cannot be opened. JR will send a copy of the spreadsheet to RG and PM. DK kindly send JR some labels to fix on envelopes and left at households where there is no reply requesting that subscriptions are put in the envelope and then dropped into the collector's house. It was suggested that if there is a mailbox at properties with impenetrable gates, an envelope could be left there.

**Any other business:**

SS said a resident in West Street became angry about the road works there as they caused bad traffic jams with long queues when, for much of the time, there was no-one working there. The lights for the works are set up on automatic and take no account of the traffic flows, which therefore causes a big build-up of traffic and long delays. The resident kept pestering the council about it and contacted the police but the latter could not do anything. Surrey County Council do not have enough staff to manage the road works properly, eg, they cannot come out and check all the works, therefore contractors are not fined if they do not follow the correct procedures. SS suggested that the resident should send in a petition to Surrey County Council.

DK and JR had received a circular about the Castle Neighbour website. RG advised them not to join as it is purely a commercial concern.

RG asked about the website. PM has not contacted potential webmasters yet, but has 3 in mind. PM will contact them soon.

**Dates for forthcoming meetings:**

As in the last minutes:

October 17<sup>th</sup> (Autumn Meeting)  
December 5<sup>th</sup>

PM

JR

PM