

NORTH WEST FARNHAM RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION.

Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 4th September 2012 at 8.00 pm
at 20Larkfield Road.

Present : Penny Marriott. (Chair)
Dennis Banks.
Stewart Edge.
David King.
Graham Leach.
Keith Miller.
Tony Ostime.

Penny Marriott opened the meeting by thanking Dennis Banks for taking on the duties of Treasurer and welcomed Stewart Edge to this his first meeting and said how much we appreciated the input he had already made on the issue of 'The Fields.'

1 Apologies for Absence.

Apologies had been received from Mrs Harriet Ellis.

2 Minutes of Last Meeting

These were approved as a correct record with the following amendment.
Para 6 :- Chris Skillicorn-Aston should read Chris Skillicorn-Aston.

3 Treasurers Report.

Dennis Banks said that the hand over had been completed successfully and that the following transactions had taken place.

Income: Subscriptions collected this year £537 00

Sub from Mrs Jordon Fox Yard £2.00

Bring and Buy Sales (2) £340.00

Expenditure: Hall Hire for 2 Bring and Buy Sales £100.00

Receipt Book £5.95

AGM Expenses £46.11

Speed Watch Signs £107.94

AGM Printing £57.00

The Halifax Account has now been closed and the balance transferred to the Lloyds/TSB account. The sum on deposit at 26th July was £6788.46p

Keith Miller was paid by cheque £35.99p the cost for hosting the web site.

DB said that 3 distribution lists were outstanding and would be required before the October newsletter distribution.

4 Communications from Members.

PM said there was nothing further to report.

5 Website Update.

KM said the hit rate remains steady at about 100 per week.

PM has filled in the appropriate form to get our site linked to the Town Council website but was unsure if that had been implemented.

Guy Stevens proposed at the AGM that the website should be linked to Twitter and Facebook. This will be discussed further.

Five photos of moths in the gardens next to the fields had been posted on the website which may be rare species.

6 Dates for October Meeting and 2013 AGM.

The date for the Autumn Meeting had been set for 10th October but was now rescheduled for Wednesday 24th October at 8 pm in the St Francis hall. HE is asked to see if hall is available.

PM undertook to produce the newsletter which will be passed to HET for copying and thence to DB for distribution. It was agreed that an A5 size 'flier' be distributed to houses other than members.

The date of the AGM for 2013 was fixed at Wednesday 10th June.

7 The Fields.

SE presented and circulated two documents entitled 'Legislative and Local Plan Background' and 'Suggestions for Inclusion in Neighbourhood Plan'. He emphasised the following points.

7.1 The commercial aspects of the 'National Planning Framework Policy (NPPF)' were less well defined than the residential.

7.2 The requirement for 434 extra houses for Farnham in the 'Local Development Framework' (LDF) is in line with the South East Plan.

7.3 This requirement assumes that the East Street development goes ahead providing some 290 dwellings.

7.4 The 'Farnham Town Plan' will define their location.

7.5 The allocation for Cranleigh is 433 approx and 100 for Godalming.

7.6 The 'Land Availability' will be revised for 2012.

7.7 The LDF make reference to Student Accommodation and should there be closure of UCA sites outside Farnham further demand would occur.

7.8 It is within the remit of the Town Council to designate 'Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace' (SANG) if development is on a green field site.

David King presented and circulated a paper from Margret Bide with some research carried out by Amelia Uden. It outlined in brief a history of Hop growing and the importance of the site to maintain the very best quality of hops. It was agreed that the paper should be put on the website after David had obtained agreement from the two ladies.

It was agreed that:-

The Association should continue to work on the establishment of a footpath along the bottom of the fields between Crondall Lane and the entrance road to UCA.

To establish as an Area of Strategic Visual Importance (ASVI).

To press the Town Council to define as a SANG.

SE will draft a letter to the Town Council outlining the above and copies will be sent to Carole Cockburn and Paddy Blagdon.

8 A. O. B.

The list of members now needs to be revised and DB will circulate when all details have been revised.

9 Date of Next Meeting.

Tuesday 20th November 2012.