

NORTH WEST FARNHAM RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Committee Meeting held on 12th February 2013 at 8,00pm
at 20 Larkfield Road

Present: Penny Marriott (Chair)
Dennis Banks
Stewart Edge
Harriet Ellis
Graham Leach
Tony Ostime

1 Apologies for absence

Apologies had been received from David King and Keith Miller.

2. Minutes of Last Meeting

The minutes of the last meeting held on 20th November 2012 were approved.

3. Treasurers Report

DB reported that our current balance was £544.54 and the Business Interest account was £6961.88 with very small outgoings during this period.

4. Communications from members and others

PM had only received a pamphlet from CPRE.

5. Website Update

There was nothing new to report.

6. AGM

Currently booked into St. Francis Hall for 19.6.2013. However due to various committee members being unable to attend on that date HE will enquire (715412) if it can be changed.

It was agreed to print 600 copies of the Newsletter, to be ready mid-May, and to be delivered to the regular residents and as many new households as possible.

PM will create a flyer with the AGM and website details on it. 200 will be printed and circulated.

Both Councillor Paddy Bladgen, who will then be Mayor, and Councillor Pat Frost have both accepted invitations to attend.

7. The Fields

SE brought us up to date with the current situation. Various points were discussed regarding the Neighbourhood Plan and it was agreed to:

- a. Keep as neutral as possible.
- b. Say we have nothing to offer WBC over and above their lists of sites – we have no further brownfield sites.
- c. Push back on the Fields, aiming for green field designation
- d. We'd like brownfield sites considered first and foremost.
- e. PM will sign and submit to the Town Council our response for a draft Neighbourhood Plan as soon as possible. No deadline has been given for the submission as they have no strategy.

- f. DB said we needed to see the 1977 Declaration about the Fields.

Background discussions concerned:

- WBC core strategies. Their actual submission will go to Government 6 weeks later than planned.
- EHDC's core strategy has been rejected and therefore WBC's may also be rejected on housing numbers.
- Also on Dunsfold grounds. Strictly speaking a brownfield site but currently left for bus usage and not housing. If this were used for housing it might take the pressure off Farnham.
- Warned that once 13th March 13 has been reached there's more of a danger that builders can build wherever they choose.
- Unsatisfactory response to SE's letter asking why WBC seem to be ignoring the Neighbourhood Plan. FTC seem to be co-ordinators and not do-ers.
- TO felt they were avoiding political approbrium of making any decisions – the workshop made no headway.
Development of the Fields.
- WBC have to produce a strategic Housing Land availability assessment. There are 2 possible 'designated areas' – the Fields behind the art college and the two fields which would extend the Chantrys. There is nothing definite about any building in those areas, but once they become designated it is very difficult to undo.

8. AOB

GL will check whether the parking signs on Falkner Road are the correct size.
PM reported that we have a new Notice Board in the Hart car park.

9. Date of Next meeting

The next meeting will be held at 20 Larkfield Road at 8 pm on Tuesday
7th May 2013.