

THE BOOKHAMS' RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on Monday 2nd January 2015 at St Nicolas Pastoral Centre at 7.45pm

Present: Peter Seaward (chair), Andrew Freeman, Chris Pullan, John Allen, Michael Anderson, Frances Fancourt, Elizabeth Hudson, Stan Miles, Ray Pritchard, Nick Forrer (Minutes),

Invited Councillors; Cllr. Lucy Botting, Cllr. John Chandler, Cllr. Clare Curran, Cllr. Jatin Patel,

Co-opted and Honorary Members;

Ordinary Members; Keith Francis.

0 Bookham Neighbourhood Panel

The committee welcomed the Police to the bi-monthly Neighbourhood Panel. There were a high number of domestics in November (mainly related to one address) and in December (mainly alcohol related).

PCSO Marion Hawkins reported on the break-ins at 63 Church Road which had been first flagged in July last year. A neighbour to 63 described some of the issues with this property. The PCSO had checked the property again today and it seemed secure. Cllr. Clare Curran had been made aware last September/October but there are very few derelict buildings across the district.

Road Safety Officer John Friar(??) then described his role as roadside education, vehicle checks, tax checks and identification of speeding drivers covering Mole Valley and four other boroughs. He also does Speed Watches for example with year 6 at Dawney School. This not only involves the children with the activities of the police but the impact of drivers speeding. They are not able to support the VAS signs as they don't have the technical resources needed. This will be raised with Inspector Hanley(?).

There was also a discussion of the role of the Traffic Police Officer which covers Community Speed Watch which encompasses speed limits, zebra crossings, speed limits approval, weight limits, bus stops and speed humps positioning. There are 746 speed locations but only six officers to cover them. The result is that the effectiveness of these speed limits is not managed. The key of course is to make the applicable speed limits noticeable and visible (speed humps). This can be improved by detecting those that speed and reinforce through education supplemented with Community Speed Watch.

1 Apologies:

Michael Agius, David Cox OBE, Michelle Hudspith, Les Huett, David Smith, Jim Smith OBE, Cllr. Stella Brooks, Cllr. Paul Newman,

2 Minutes

- 2.1 The Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as an accurate record, subject to a correction to XXXXX

3 Matters Arising

3.1 Previous Actions

- 3.1.1 7th July item 0 fatal accident at Lower Road & East Street. Cllr. Clare Curran will monitor progress of the investigation. No update as of present.

Action: Cllr. Clare Curran

- 3.1.2 7th July item 8.3 Tree Officer demeanour. This to be discussed in conjunction with other local Associations with the Council and Cllr. Stella Brooks. Cllr Stella Brooks gave an update which involved a more active approach to TPO.

Action: Ongoing, with Cllr. Stella Brooks and Francis Fancourt

- 3.1.3 Completion of the **Business Maps** index showing the business premises with their name and trade indexed against their location in Bookham. Once completed Squiggle will print the map which then can be displayed on a new Notice Board in Lower Road Car Park. This will require a licence from MVDC. Subsequently it was determined that planning permission is no longer required. The approval for the money to support this activity will be delegated to the Treasurer in consultation with the Actioner. The project manager for the installation will be Arthur Field.

6th October item 11.2. Licence for and relocation of Notice Board to Lower Shott.

The approval for the expenditure to support these activities will be delegated to the Treasurer in consultation with the Actioners. The project manager for both these installations will be Arthur Field.

Action: Nick Forrer

- 3.1.4 1st September item 8.2.1.1. Further traffic calming and speed reduction for Church Road. Cllr Clare Curran is proposing that a table be placed in Church Road near the Post Office. In progress and carried forward. This action is heavily dependent on the level of funding available and approved.

Action: Michael Agius

- 3.1.5 1st September item 8.3.2. "A" boards on village pavements making it hard to navigate around. Those retail units that do this, need to made aware that they may be liable if this results in damage to others or an accident.

Action: David Smith

- 3.1.6 1st September item 10.3. Commemoration Day. Suitable ways of commemorating this to be reported back at a later date. Coupled to the next action.

Action: Jim Smith OBE

- 3.1.7 1st December item 5.2.2 Tree Commemoration. Jim Smith raised that Thomas Flack Trust Fund might be the route for obtaining a grant. Peter Seaward will write to Stella on this. Coupled to the previous action.

Action: Peter Seaward

- 3.1.8 1st December item 5.2.3 Lower Shott & Dorking Road Yellow Lines. Cllr. Clare Curran reported that the yellow lines will be adjusted some six weeks having been approval by the committee. This is likely to be be early Spring. To be monitored.

Action: Cllr Paul Newman

- 3.1.9 6th October item 6. BRA Questionnaire. A small working sub-group to be formed with the involvement of Nick Forrer, Ray Pritchard, David Cox, Les Huett and Cllr Clare Curran. Notes to be prepared in January.

Action: Nick Forrer

- 3.2 There were no other matters arising that were not elsewhere on the agenda.

4 Correspondence

- 4.1 There was no correspondence to discuss.

5 Sub-Group Updates

5.1 Planning

Planning Applications:

5.2 Environment

5.2.1 Trees

The committee thanked Frances Fancourt for an excellent job on the planting and maintenance of trees. Cllr Clare Curran would be prepared to repeat this exercise this year. The further £200 required for tree planting will be looked at by the Treasurer.

Action: Chris Pullan & Frances Fancourt

5.3 Bookham Retail and Business Association

5.4 Finance:

5.5 Health:

5.6 Education:

6 Annual Objectives

6.1 Joint Working:

6.2 **Schools/Youth:**

6.3 **Business/Tourism:**

7 **Any Other Business**

8 **Next BRA Meeting: Monday 2nd March 2015**