December Meeting Minutes

3rd December at Long Can Hall

Attendees: Martin Dower (MD), Scott Robert (SR), Vicky Lowcock (VL), Jennie Rolls (JR), Jacqui George (JG), Sean Kelly (SK) **Apologies**: Becky Lloyd (BL), John Taylor (JT)

AGENDA

- We approved and published the minutes for November at https://www.fhvra.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/9-Minutes-for-November-Meeting.pdf.
- JT advised us that he will be standing down as Vice-Chair at the end of the current term (Dec 2019) due to pressures of work. We all thank him for his efforts in getting Meadfleet to recognise FHVRA, his early work on recruitment and drive to create a better village. MD will assume the senior liaison role for Meadfleet with SR picking up the day to day communications with Meadfleets regional manager, Emlyn.
- Nominations are now open for the post of Vice-Chair, with one nomination from the existing committee (SR). If no further nominations or objections arrive, then SR will be elected at the AGM to the executive.
- JG was proposed, seconded and approved to join the committee with immediate effect.
- We discussed improving the diversity and representation on the committee, specifically Signal View after the loss of Justyna earlier this year.
- The next Warley Ward meeting is to be held this Saturday. MD & VL will represent FHVRA on the residents issues.
- The Christmas tree is due to be installed on the chosen site at the top of Maltings Road on the 6th of December, in time for the Santa Visit on the 9th. An informal switch on will occur on the day of the Santa visit. SR to see if this can be coordinated.
- Formal approval was given for the FHVRA bank account to be used for the De-Fib Pad fund. VL to advise on money received so far.
- Residents issues list was reviewed and all items tasked out (see below). Most items are now in progress with only one new item appearing this month (absence of lighting in the park after dark)
- The published <u>Bathouse plan</u> is now underway. The council need a "methodology" statement from Meadfleet before it's removal will be approved and also need a summer survey, delaying its removal for at least another 6 months. This may have ramifications regarding up-keep and maintenance

- The next newsletter is due to go out just before Xmas, covering the last 6 months of 2019. MD to action.
- VL will organise the annual Xmas card, assisted by SK and JR in distribution. MD will pick up the £40 costs via a charity donation from his company.
- The date of the 2020 AGM was agreed as Tuesday 7th January at Long Can Hall, upstairs.

Minutes by MD, meeting started 7:30pm and closed at 9:30pm. Next meeting is Tues 7th of January 2020 which is also the date of the AGM. Minutes by MD.

Residents Issue List

Each issue is discussed in brief and allocated to a committee member to work through to a solution. Some are and quick and some will take time.

- Weed clearance on public pathways, kerbs and roads Is this for the council to do, or is it a Meadfleet issue? PROGRESS: for the Warley Ward meeting
- Car Parking (JR) Going to explore what the law says and what the council recommends regarding a) Parking on pavements, b) Access by larger vehicles including buses and utilities. PROGRESS: Due to be raised at the next Warley Ward meeting in December.
- Do we get our roads sweeped? (VL) PROGRESS: Due to be raised at the next Warley Ward meeting.
- Bramling Court tidy up and look at parking on the fenced-off area. Allocated to SR to pick up with MF.
- NEW: Further trimming of the bushes around Postbox to so we can see the FHV stone sign on the back of the wall. Allocated to SR.
- NEW: Repaint the sign at the top of Maltings Road. the combination of removal damage and general wear and tear means it could do with a lick of paint. SR to take up with MF.
- NEW: Two abandoned cars in the upper park car park have been reported to the council.
- NEW: Removal of rotted fence posts on Admiral Way was reported to MF but needs chasing by SR.
- NEW: Absence of lighting in the park after dark. To our knowledge there is no power available in the park and despite it being dark and spooky it is thought the cost may be prohibitive. For further discussion both internally and with MF.