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# 12/2/20: Meadfleet

## **FHVRA: Attendees: Martin Dower (MD) Meadfleet (MF): Emlyn Craven (EC)**

*FHR: Fountainhead Road, AW: Admiral Way, PV: Pilgrim View, CC: Cask Court, DC: Draymans Court, BDWH: Barratt/David Wilson Homes.*

Today's wintery walk around was designed to a) generally walk the village and review, and b) cover off specific items raised by FHVRA, residents, and MF. Some of the items are not covered by MF, but for completeness they are documented here. Any actions by the FHVRA are marked at the end of each point.

- **Abandoned cars in the car park:** These have been moved (*CLOSED*)
- **Trim the bushes around the post-box so the FH sign is more visible:** This was agreed and the height will be dropped to approx the same height as the bushes to the immediate left of the postbox. (*PENDING*)
- **Clearing Path above DC:** These WILL be the responsibility of the council when the handover is completed (see below) but for now it's with BDWH so the residents should file an issue with the regular customer care contact. You can state a) the steps are covered in moss and present a slip hazard, and b) the borders of the paths are littered and unkempt and need attention. (*NO ACTION*)
- **Trees overgrowing in the wooded area behind FHR, AW, and PV:** This area is part of the phase 2 handover which is not complete due to legal issues (see below). As a result this falls under BDWH who need to be informed, or residents can take direct action to cut/trim OVERHANGING bushes and branches and dispose of them by placing/throwing them back over the fence. (*NO ACTION*)
- **Steps by the slide are slippy and missing the handrail:** The handrail became detached leaving a single post which was deemed by MF to be a risk so it was removed. A subsequent risk assessment said that the rail did not need replacing. The steps were not deemed slippy. There is no place to replace the handrail. (*NO ACTION*)
- **Dog Fouling:** This is now much better in the top part of the park but has got worse in the lower section so previously vandalised signs will be replaced further down the park. It was noted that the upper park waste bin is rarely used so that will be relocated the the open area next to the path that goes down from FHR to CC. It was noted that

dog fouling at the top of Maltings Road has increased and as it is such a visible area could we all watch out for offenders (*PENDING*)

- **Brewery Sign at the top of Maltings Road:** The sign is a bit tatty and will be painted this year, the sign elements are pointing in approximately the same direction as they were previously. The area around the sign will be planted with new flowers and shrubs - the ones there previously were relocated to the park during the aborted removal. The "dead tree" slot will be planted with a small tree "whip", which should establish and grow over the coming years. (*PENDING*)
- **Playground Inspection reports:** We will be supplied with these going forward, a request to MF head office has been made for previous ones. (*PENDING*)
- The steep (50% banking) area to the right of the path coming down from FHR and CC is to be wild seeded as it's impractical to cut it. This will be provided by MF as part of their 5 year plan to increase wildlife habitat so it comes at no cost to the village. (*PENDING*)
- **Bramling Cross Court:** The area behind the low fence has been planted with bushes and is earmarked for further planting this year. There are no plans to remove the fence or convert it into a parking area. The "wild" area above this planted area is deemed as "wildlife habitat" and no work is planned, there is little or no undergrowth so no clearing is planned. (*PENDING*)
- **Council handover of paths:** This has been ongoing now for a while and the FHVRA will escalate this with James Baker at the earliest. (*PENDING*)
- **Phase 2 handover:** This is still incomplete due to a legal issue between BDWH, the Land Registry, and a farmer in Mount Tabor who is accused of incorrectly transferring land to his/her ownership and using it for grazing. We will keep people posted, but the basics is that MF are refusing to look after it until such time as this issue is resolved. (*NO ACTION*)
- **Discretionary spend:** The agreement between FHVRA and MF is that they can spend £200 (about 75p per house) on odd bits and bobs but anything over that must be passed through FHVRA before work is started or billed.

*The walk around took 1hr, with 1hr prep and 1hr post-walkaround documenting*

The next walk around is due in May of this year and, like this time, we will poll the residents in the run-up to it. In the meantime we plan to create a standard "who looks after this" document which should help to delineate which areas are looked after by whom and direct issues in a more efficient manner.

As ever, if you have any questions or issue then email us on [FHVRAMail@gmail.com](mailto:FHVRAMail@gmail.com)

Thanks again for your feedback and mandate, please keep the suggestions and feedback coming, we do read it all and try to act on as much as we can.