



Sandhurst Residents Association

Minutes of Executive Meeting
Held on Monday 16th April 2018 at 20:00 - Day Centre

Present:

Executive Members:

Richard Mathews	(RM)	President
Val Crosby-Clarke	(VCC)	Chair
David Vousden	(DV)	Secretary & Vice-Chair
Jennie Ogden	(JO)	Treasurer
John Coupland	(JC)	Recycling
Michael Weston	(MW)	Copy Editor
Diane Wilson	(DW)	Magazine Distribution
Clive Sayer	(CS)	CMRA
Sue O’Sullivan	(SOS)	LLRA
Karen Vousden	(KV)	

Min	Topic	Who	Status
1	<u>Apologies/Absent</u> Linda Rose, Nicholette Deakin, Mike Swaddling, Ramkumar Limbu, Netra Thapa		
2	<u>Accuracy of Minutes of Previous Meeting</u> Approval of the minutes was given by e-mail and confirmed at the meeting.		
3	<u>Matters Arising</u> January 17 The SRA insurance was renewed via the insurance brokers used by Sandhurst Voluntary Care at a premium of nearly half of the existing policy.	DV	Closed
	September 17 5.1 Leaflets about Counselling Service I had a look around in the library and could not find any leaflets relating to the counselling service.	LR	Closed
	9.5 Committee Approach a It was decided that information on past achievements would be better used as an introduction to the AGM. List to be sent to RM. b Detail on the demographics of Sandhurst will be requested from the council to inform the discussion on encouraging more resident participation. c Inclusion of a digest of the minutes in the magazine to be considered.	LR MS ALL	Closed c/fwd c/fwd
	December 17		
	9.2 Speeding on Laundry Lane		



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	Jean Bettison, Michael Brossard and Clive Sayer would be using the speed gun on 25 th May to monitor traffic speed along Yorktown Road.	CS	c/fwd
	February 18		
	<p>5.1 St Michaels Winspire Project</p> <p>A letter has been received from St Michaels inviting us to contribute again to the Winspire project. After some discussion it was unanimously agreed that, providing the previous donation was more than a year ago, £1,000 would be given.</p> <p>Following the meeting it was confirmed that the previous donation was over 12 months ago.</p>	JO	Closed
	<p>5.2 Motorsport team</p> <p>An application for a donation to a motorsport for £4,000 towards the cost and upkeep of a car for motorsport racing has been received by email. The committee felt that this type of sponsorship is not really in keeping with the sort of donation that we get involved in. We could offer a half page free in the magazine for the applicant to put his plea for sponsorship in there.</p>	MS	Closed
	<p>5.3 Freedom March</p> <p>Sandhurst Town Council have asked for contributions towards the costs of running the Freedom March fun day on 23rd June 2018. Options available were £3,500 for the main stage; £2,500 for the evening fireworks and £1,000 for printing of programmes.</p> <p>The option of printing programmes was of interest, but this was to be 1 of 4 sponsors for the programme, a total of £4,000. As the SRA magazine costs around £2,500 to produce 8000 52-page colour booklets, this seems extravagant. More information is required before any commitment is made.</p> <p>It was unclear exactly how STC were allocating funds contributed. However, after some discussion it was felt that the SRA should make some form of contribution and it was agreed to contribute £1,000 toward the whole event.</p> <p>Proposed by RM Seconded by SOS</p>		
	<p>9.1 The committee discussed Ramkumar's comments after he had to leave, and some questions were raised about the requirements of the community. RL will be contacted to obtain further clarification.</p> <p>Following the meeting: A reply to the email has been received and copied to the committee.</p>	LR	Closed



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	9.2 Establish whether English lessons are still available for the Nepalese. It was confirmed that there are monthly classes at the Baptist Church	SOS	c/fwd
4	<u>Treasurer's Report</u> Figures as at Current Account £3,858.26 Reserve Account £25,419.66 Total £29,277.92		
5	<u>Donations</u> A request from Ann Weston was put forward for funds toward the Wednesday Welcome Club. This is a small club which meets on the first Wednesday of each month and provides an opportunity for mainly lonely/elderly/disabled individuals to interact and socialise with others. It is run by individuals on a voluntary basis. It was agreed to donate £500, proposed by RM and seconded by SOS. It was noted that this not in line with our normal criteria for making donations, which is for specific projects. After some discussion it was agreed that we should look to the constitution to see if there were specific requirements applicable. Given the current austerity environment and the cutting back of local government funding the committee recognised that we should be more flexible for the future. A request was also made by David Vousden in respect of the Day Centre for £750 for a new laptop. The new controlled access doors required additional software to enable the key fobs to be programmed and the small laptop was not adequate in both memory and operating programme. DV explained more about the background and after some discussion the donation was agreed by a majority vote. Proposed by SOS and seconded by CS	JO DV/JO	
6	<u>Magazine</u> An issue had arisen with the last magazine in connection with an article on re-cycling. This has been resolved and steps put in place to ensure that this would not happen in the future. The next issue was under way and Michael Weston asked for contributions for articles.		
7	<u>Website</u>		



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	All updated.		
8	<u>Recycling</u> Nothing to report		
9	<u>AOB</u> CS commented on the disruption that the changes to access on the path by Pistachio's was causing to the Gardening Club and others. RM explained that at the recent Liaison Meeting STC had explained that the regular incursions by travellers parking caravans illegally was incurring considerable costs and that the only way to prevent this was by installing controlled access. It was understood that the new footbridge over the Blackwater was in hand but had been delayed by various agencies having to be involved. It was understood that funds have now been made available and a contract for construction was being awarded. One of the issues was the difficult of access to the site for appropriate lifting gear.		
	The meeting closed at 21.40 hrs		



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Agenda

1. Apologies
2. Approve Previous Minutes
3. Matters Arising
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Donations
6. Magazine
7. Website
8. Recycling
9. AOB

Proposed meeting dates for 2018 are:

Monday 21st May
Monday 18th June
Monday 16th July – AGM – tbc
No meeting in August
Monday 17th September
Monday 15th October
Monday 19th November
No meeting in December