



Sandhurst Residents Association

Minutes of Executive Meeting

Held on Monday 18th March 2019 at 20:00 - Day Centre

Present:

Executive Members:

Val Crosby-Clarke	(VCC)	Chair
Richard Mathews	(RM)	President
Jennie Ogden	(JO)	Treasurer
Michael Weston	(MW)	Copy Editor
Sue O’Sullivan	(SOS)	LLERA
Diane Wilson	(DW)	Magazine Distribution
John Coupland	(JC)	Recycling
Linda Rose	(LR)	Minutes & Advertising
Clive Sayer	(CS)	CMRA

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1	<p><u>Apologies/Absent</u></p> <p>David Vousden (DV) Secretary & Vice-Chair Mike Swaddling (MS) Composition Editor Karen Vousden (KV) Nicholette Deakin (ND)</p>		
2	<p><u>Accuracy of Minutes of Previous Meeting</u></p> <p>The minutes of the February meeting require two amendments: John Coupland was missed from the list of attendees; VCC attended the Horseshoe Lake development meeting.</p> <p>Otherwise, approval of the minutes of the February meeting was given by e-mail and confirmed at the meeting.</p>		
3	<p><u>Matters Arising</u></p> <p>September 18</p> <p>6.2 Guide for Advertising LR also thought this would be a good idea for the advertising role and the production of a guide is in progress. The process for the June edition is underway and is being documented as it happens. This process will then be sent to the committee for comment.</p>	LR	c/fwd

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	<p>9.1 Councillor page in the magazine</p> <p>The Blackwater Buzz magazine includes a question and answer page for the local councillor, which LR proposed as a good idea for the SRA magazine. There was some discussion over whether the political neutrality of the SRA would be bought into question but the general opinion was that elected representatives answering queries would not affect this.</p> <p>An e-mail has been sent to the town council for their views. The subject will be on the agenda of the meeting to be held on 28th March.</p>	LR	c/fwd
	<p>November 18</p> <p>6.3 Proposed developments</p> <p>A potential new article for the March edition will detail the developments proposed for the Sandhurst area. This will be checked with the council.</p> <p>8.1 Changes to commercial recycling</p> <p>A letter was sent to BFBC expressing concern about the changes. A reply was received to which a response was sent this has been finalised and sent. Paul Bettison has responded with a detailed description of the process, and this will be discussed at the next meeting.</p> <p>9.2 Rose & Crown development</p> <p>Objections to the development of two houses behind the Rose & Crown pub, with access through the pub car park have to be submitted by 31st January. If the planning permission is refused it is possible that the owners will close the pub and sell the land for development.</p> <p>Regulars formed an action group, who successfully gained an Asset of Community Value on part of the pub, supported by over 120 people. BFC have excluded the building plots and right of way through the car park from the ACV, which unfortunately allowed the application to proceed. The first application attracted 8 objections and was refused because of pedestrian safety concerns in the car park.</p> <p>A second application has been submitted showing a footpath round the edge of the car park and parking alongside the pub building re-aligned. The Rose and Crown is to be retained but with only 30% of the beer garden and 6 fewer parking spaces. This has received 72 objections to date.</p> <p>The next planning meeting is to be held on Thursday 21st March.</p>	MS	c/fwd
		DV	c/fwd
		RM	c/fwd

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	<p>January 19</p> <p>9.2 Medical Services</p> <p>A letter has been sent to Dr Brown to enquire about several issues, including the future of the provision of medical services with another GP leaving; patients being moved between doctors and surgeries without being advised and the slow response to telephone calls.</p> <p>A response was received from the Practice Manager asking for further concerns to be addresses to the Patient Group Meeting.</p>	DV	Closed						
	<p>February 19</p> <p>4.1 Insurance Policy</p> <p>A replacement insurance policy will be taken out at a cost of £334.70, a significant reduction on the previous insurer. Thanks to SOS for the reference.</p> <p>9.1 Horseshoe Lake development</p> <p>DV, KV and JO attended a meeting held on 12th February regarding the proposals for the development of a country park at Horseshoe Lake. The development has not yet been approved, but permission has been given to apply for planning permission. Concerns were expressed at the meeting about the access road to the site. Links to further details can be found on the SRA Facebook page.</p> <p>Complaints about the development cannot be registered until the planning application is raised on the register, although it was noted that BFC have begun advertising for staff for the new facility.</p> <p>From comments on We Love Sandhurst, the general opinion is that a natural local countryside amenity will be ruined for the sake of the council budget.</p> <p>9.2 Edgbarrow Woods pathways</p> <p>The gorse bushes in Edgbarrow Woods have not been cut back this year and, owing to the recent snow, are now over hanging and blocking the pathways. Work to rectify this is now in progress.</p>	JO DV	Closed Closed						
4	<p><u>Treasurer's Report</u></p> <p>Figures as at end December:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">Current Account</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 5,429.63</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Reserve Account</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£25,447.03</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">Total</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£30,876.66</td> </tr> </table>	Current Account	£ 5,429.63	Reserve Account	£25,447.03	Total	£30,876.66		
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5	<u>Donations</u>		
5.1	A request from Vicky Young of St. Nicholas' Church, Sandhurst was found to refer to Sandhurst, Kent. The request will be refused.	JO	
5.2	The Day Centre has requested a donation towards the new flooring, which has been laid throughout the main area and the dining room. The total cost was £12,500, which has been funded by a kind donation of £4,500 from Diana Pigeon in memory of her late husband, £4,000 from the Friends of Sandhurst Day Centre and prudent use of our income and our Reserve account. A donation of £1,000 was approved.	JO	
5.3	The Corps of Drums is planning a trip to Ypres in October 2019, where the band will see the war graves and hope to participate in the Last Post ceremony at the Menin Gate. 53 attendees, including band members, parents, Trustees and staff have confirmed, with a waiting list of 10 more. The cost to each individual for the 2-day trip is £196, around £9,000 in all. Fundraising will take place over the summer through bucket collections at The Meadows and stalls at the various local summer fetes. A donation of £1,000 was approved, on condition the money is used for the child band members.	JO	
6	<u>Magazine</u>		
	After the problems mentioned in the last minutes, the magazine was delivered about a week late. Thanks to Richard the printer, and Diane and the distributor team.		
6.1	A request has been received from the Sandhurst Sports Bar, next to the council offices on the rec, for a discount on the cost of an advertisement, on the basis that it is run entirely by volunteers. As this is the basis for all the clubs in Sandhurst it was agreed that this is not an option. However, we can offer, at no cost, an entry in the Clubs pages, and an introductory article of no more than half a page.	LR	
7	<u>Website</u>		
	Nothing to Report		
8	<u>Recycling</u>		
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9	<u>AOB</u>		
9.1	<p>Concern was expressed by SOS regarding parking arrangements to access the Devil's Highway.</p> <p>The Crown Estate has put freeway signs at the Muzzy's kebab van car parking area, and parking wardens issue tickets to any car parked in front of these signs, although they are a significant distance from the main road and do not interfere with traffic. The lane by the Dive shop in Crowthorne leads to a car park. BFBC own the lane, which is classed as a bridleway and leads to a car park, which is owned by the Crown Estate. The Crown Estate want to close the car park. BFBC are helping them to their wish by leaving the maintenance of the lane in such a poor state that it is unsuitable for vehicles.</p> <p>Although these accesses are in Crowthorne the area is used by many Sandhurst residents for dog walking, rambling, mountain biking and is a popular local countryside area.</p> <p>SOS has emailed the Crown Estate, but has received no reply, despite an assurance of a 5 working day response time.</p> <p>The Crown Estate's attitude is becoming very officious and parking wardens can be deeply unpleasant if approached, and this is limiting access to a valued local amenity.</p> <p>Steven Chown, Head of Parks & Countryside for BFBC, has been contacted but made no comment.</p> <p>It was agreed that SOS will draft a letter about the situation to be addressed to the Crown Estate and copied to Steven Chown, the Ramblers Association and a separate version of the letter will be addressed to The Queen. Once agreed, the letter will be sent.</p>		
9.2	The references to access the Land Registry entry for the land by Laundry Lane have been obtained, and the plans can be printed at a cost of £6.00, which was approved.	LR	
	The meeting closed at 21.30 hours.		

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 2019 are:

- Monday 15th April
- Monday 20th May
- Monday 17th June
- Monday 15th July – AGM tbc
- Monday 19th August
- No meeting in September
- Monday 21st October – Distributors Party tbc
- Monday 18th November
- No meeting in December

All meetings are held in the Day Centre and start at 8pm unless otherwise stated.