

GREAT KINGSHILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Minutes of 2015 Annual General Meeting

Sunday 13th September 2015 at 7:30 pm

Great Kingshill Village Hall

Present - Jill Jackling (Secretary)- acting chairperson, Anna Young (Treasurer), together with 35 attendees.

Apologies –

John and Angela French

Cllr. John Gladwin

John Grover

PC Caroline Merriman

Cllr. David Carroll

Lucy Partington

Huw Richards

Anne Williams

Jill Waller

Brian Naylor (Chairman)

Adoption of the draft Minutes from the 2014 Annual General Meeting

Proposed by Stan Jones, seconded by Peter Jackling.

The Minutes were signed at the meeting by the Secretary Jill Jackling in the absence of the Chairman.

Chairman's Report for the year ended 30 June 2014

The Chairman's Report highlighted the following points:

- In the Best Kept Village competition, Great Kingshill had been awarded a Certificate with some excellent and positive comments. The community were thanked for their efforts in picking up rubbish around the village.
- Events – there has been some successful events during the year. To be covered later in the Treasurer's report.
- The GKRA Newsletter is still experiencing continued success with excellent feedback. Many thanks to Rose Meech who has been doing a sterling job on producing it. Some great articles appeared in the year the chair asked – would anyone like to write one? Rose has been editing the newsletter for 10 years, and is looking for a replacement Editor. The role involves compiling the newsletter, liaising with advertisers and printers, and liaising with the newsletter distributors.
- Neighbourhood Action Group (NAG) – GKRA have continued good links with NAG, and if anyone wants to know more about their work please liaise with Stan Jones.
- Police – continued support from the local Police, especially PC Lee Turnham the local Road Safety Officer and PC Caroline Merriman.
- Cryers Hill parking issues have been followed up and a petition should lead to further action.
- Cockpit Hole – suffered more Graffiti in April.
- Additional planters were added to the village thanks go to Trevor Bateman (the planter) and the sponsors.

Treasurer's Report and Adoption of Accounts for the year to 30 June 2015

The Treasurer presented the audited Account Sheet year ending 30th June 2015.

Balance Sheet as of 30th June 2015

Accumulated funds at the start of the year	- £3,021.87
Closing balance at the end of the year	- £5,900.77
Current account	- £5,849.89
Petty cash	- £50.23
Residual deposit account (waiting to close)	- £0.65
<u>Total</u>	<u>- £5,900.77</u>

The treasurer's report highlighted the following: -

- All fundraising events have generated a healthy profit, although flattered by an un-invoiced amount for fireworks of £1,100, which will impact in 2015/16. GKRA were very pleased with the support for all of the events and particularly the large turnout for the firework display. Many thanks to the events team for their hard efforts.
- Two new planters were provided around the village as a result of generous donations from a local resident and several businesses.
- The Hughenden Parish Council (HPC) was thanked for its annual donation of £520 towards the Newsletter but we unfortunately lost a small amount this year.
- There are still a substantial number of "Great Kingshill in Words and Pictures" books available to purchase at £10.
- John Watts, the Auditor, has kindly agreed to continue as Auditor for the current financial year.

Peter Jackling raised the issue of possibility of an accrual for the Fireworks (un-invoiced costs), the treasurer responded pointing out that this cannot occur due to the "cash accounting" system used by GKRA. The costs will be realised next year.

There were no other questions from the floor.

The accounts were unanimously approved.

The Committee and Officers – 2015 AGM

Committee

During the course of the year there were 4 resignations from Committee – Richard Coleman and John Meech having both served over 12 years on Committee including in various Officer roles, Martin Taylor and Phil Waterton following work promotions and house moves. The GKRA Committee thanked them for their efforts on behalf of the village. Richard and John continue to serve on the Events Committee.

These resignations will leave GKRA light on Committee members and attendees were urged to again consider fulfilling the vital role. Any questions about the role should be aimed any Committee Member, or contact the Honorary Secretary.

GKRA also thanked Cllrs. Paul Nicholls and Brian Swain who attend the Committee Meetings as observers, and specifically thanked Brian who has stood down as a long-standing observer. GKRA thanked them for sharing their thoughts on village issues.

In November 2014 (last year), A volunteer was co-opted to Committee – John Golledge. No other nominations were received prior to 6th September 2015, our Constitutional deadline.

GKRA committee were required to confirm the appointment of John Golledge

The election was held for John Golledge to become a committee member –

Proposer – Richard Colman

Seconder – John Meech

All in favour

None against

John Golledge was elected to the GKRA committee.

Officers – (Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary)

One of the 3 elected Officers – Honorary Secretary: Jill Jackling was required to resign from the position under the “three year” rule of GKRA Constitution. And, having spent some 6 years on the committee stood down immediately after the meeting. Jill stated that she wished to resign from the committee. Jill agreed to continue to run the GKRA Web site and email database (from which communications can be sent to residents who have authorised the use of their address this is kept in line with the data protection act and not used for other purposes.) New residents are encouraged to join this data base to be kept up-to-date on village events.

The committee thanked Jill for her dedication and considerable input over the last 6 years

Following widespread appeals at the last A.G.M., in the newsletter, via email alert, in the local paper, and via the AGM posters, GKRA received one nomination for Honorary Secretary submitted by Andrew Hodge (nominated by Brian Naylor) for formal submission at the A.G.M.

The Proposal that Andrew Hodge be elected to the post of Hon Secretary as of the end of the meeting, was put to the vote:-

Nominated by - Brian Naylor (chairman)-By e.mail

Proposed by - Jayne Richards

Seconded by - Stan Jones

In favour 27

Against None

The Committee at the end of the 2015 A.G.M.

Elected Officers for 2015/16

Brian Naylor (Chairman)

Anna Young (Treasurer)

Andrew Hodge (Hon Secretary).

The elected membership of the Committee consisted of: -

Trevor Bateman, Simon Bradley, Peter Ede, David Jarman, Lucy Partington, John Golledge,

Invited Guests- observers

David Davies (Chairman of the Village Hall Management committee)

Representative from Hughenden Parish Council – Paul Nichols

Local Planning Issues

Hoppers farm

The Chairman reported that objections to the Planning Application (which had been submitted in June 2013) new housing at Hoppers Farm Cockpit Road had been refused. 46 objections were received and Wycombe District Council refused permission on the grounds of – Area Of Outstanding Beauty and its Green belt status. Grounds for refusal of new housing at Hoppers Farm covered all areas GKRA had objected to and was agreed that ruling re Hoppers Farm would provide good template for any future objections GKRA may need to raise in the future.

Uplands Update

An Italian businessman is thought to have an interest in the development of the site and planning has been submitted. The Committee will monitor the situation and respond on behalf of the residents appropriately.

Peter Jackling asked how many dwelling were planned for the Uplands Site. Stan Jones said that an article in Bucks Free Press had reported 22.

Dates for Diaries – (Dates on the GKRA web site / News letter)

Fireworks

Carols

Quiz

Easter Egg hunt

Wine tasting

Cinema nights in the village Hall

Any Other Business

Bonfire

John Meech stated he needed helpers to build the bonfire for the Fireworks event (on Friday 6th November), Trevor Bateman gave more info, saying he would need helpers for Wednesday 4th and Thursday 5th. Peter Jackling offered to help.

Village Hall

David Jarman gave an update about the CHIP project (Community Hub Internet Project); namely that the LAF (Local Area Forum) had agreed to lend funding towards this project. Including the installation of a sound and projection system. New chairs were also due to increase the comfort in the hall.

David Davies stated that he had taken over the Chair on the Village Hall committee on a temporary basis for a year, but the group still needed a permanent Chair. The group holds 6 meetings a year. Peter Jackling reminded him that he had offered to get involved but had not been given enough notice of a meeting.

Pipers school - Play

Cath Macleod stated that Pipers School were organising a play, early December, which Senior Citizens would be invited to. She will put more details in the next edition of the GKRA Newsletter

Road safety

David Davies requested volunteers who were good at identifying car makes and models to help with the Community Speedwatch exercise.

Anna Young asked if the sessions could be videoed, enabling car makes to be identified afterwards. PC Lee Turnham would need to advise on this.

Cath Macleod asked what the results were, and David Davies commented they had once logged 108 speeders in the space of an hour outside the Village Hall.

Stan Jones stated that having the unit currently at Pipers Corner slows the traffic down, and speedwatch sessions at Missenden Road were not catching as many people as before.

Cath Macleod asked if the unit could be positioned near the horse field, which is the narrow part of the pavement where the kids walk to GKCS School. Peter Jackling stated that a particular sized pole was needed, and it might not be possible.

David Jarman commented that originally 75% of drivers were going below 35 mph, but latest data shows 90% are driving around 30-35mph. The Community Speed watch exercises have really helped. David stated that more volunteers were needed for Mobile VAS movements, and to change the batteries, particularly as there may be more units at our disposal.

Cllr. Rick Gould stated that there was a lot of speeding at weekends. Jill Jackling (acting on behalf of the Chairman) said this would be relayed to PC Lee Turnham.

Village hall Toddlers Group

Anna Young, who runs the Village Hall Toddlers group held on Thursday afternoons, stated that she needed helpers to take over running of the group or it would fold.

MacMillan Coffee morning

Carol Sammut asked where raffle prizes for the Macmillan Coffee morning should be delivered. Cath Macleod offered to take some and pass them on, or they could be dropped on the day at the coffee morning.

Events committee

Jane Westwood asked if Richard Coleman and John Meech would stay on Committee – and they advised they would until after Christmas. Jane also asked if they would stay on Events Committee, and Richard Coleman confirmed he would. Cath Macleod echoed the thanks and compliments for their great management of committee.

The formal part of the meeting closed at 20:35

Signed:



Date:

25-9-16

Great Kingshill Residents' Association
Income and expenditure report for the year ended 30th June 2016

	Income		Expenditure		Profit (Loss)	
	2015-16	2014-15	2015-16	2014-15	2015-16	2014-15
Bonfire night (note 3)	£4,939.94	£4,612.41	£3,332.50	£3,222.46	£1,607.44	£1,389.95
Quiz night	£932.00	£717.50	£484.90	£485.46	£447.10	£232.04
Wine tasting	£2,200.12	£2,459.00	£1,733.04	£1,801.84	£467.08	£657.16
Carols	-	-	£99.42	£77.31	(£99.42)	(£77.31)
Village walk	-	-	-	25.08	-	(£25.08)
Easter egg hunt	£106.50	-	£256.52	-	(£150.02)	-
Community cinema	£151.00	-	£14.99	-	£136.01	-
Events (note 1)	£8,329.66	£7,768.91	£5,921.37	£5,612.15	£2,408.19	£2,176.76
GK in Words & Pictures	£10.00	£70.00	-	-	£10.00	£70.00
Village maintenance	£100.00	£100.00	£20.00	£195.00	£80.00	(£95.00)
Newsletter	£2,940.00	£3,075.00	£3,437.00	£3,257.19	(£497.00)	(£182.19)
Road safety	-	-	-	-	-	-
Donations (note 2)	-	250.00	£50.00	£300.00	(£50.00)	(£50.00)
Things we do	£3,050.00	£3,496.00	£3,507.00	£3,782.19	(£457.00)	(£287.19)
AGM/SGM	-	-	£82.02	£113.32	(£82.02)	(£113.32)
Admin	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest	-	£0.65	-	-	-	£0.65
Other/Miscellaneous expenses	-	-	-	£30.00	-	(£30.00)
Subscriptions	£2.00	£2.00	-	-	£2.00	£2.00
Administration	£2.00	£2.85	£82.02	£143.32	(£80.02)	(£140.87)
Totals (note 3)	£11,381.56	£11,286.56	£9,510.39	£9,807.66	£1,871.17	£1,778.90
Excess income over expenditure:	2015-16	2014-15				
	£ 1,871.17	£ 1,778.90				

Notes:

1. The nature of the organisation and events we organise means that ticket sales, bar/raffle takings cannot be verified.
2. Donations comprises a £50 exceptional charitable donation.
3. Figures adjusted to move £1,100 of fireworks expense to correct year to aid easy comparison.

Signed:  B. Naylor (Chairman)
 A. Young (Treasurer)
 J. Watts (Auditor)

	2016
Petty cash	£75.23
Current account	£6,596.06
High interest	£0.65
Total cash	£6,671.94
Opening balance	£4,800.77
Closing balance	£6,671.94
Cash movement	£1,871.17