

GREAT KINGSHILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Minutes of meeting held on Monday 8th May 2017 at the Parish Council Offices, Great Kingshill

Present: Anna Young (Treasurer), Andrew Hodge (Hon Secretary), Trevor Bateman, John Golledge, Lucy Partington

In attendance: Stan Jones (on behalf of HPC)

Apologies: Muriel Smith, Paul Nicholls, Brian Naylor, David Davies, David Jarman

Minutes of 6th April 2017 meeting: The Minutes were reviewed approved and signed by the treasurer in the absence of the chairman.

Matters arising

- It was agreed by all that in future only one guest presenter would be invited at a time to GKRA meetings due to time constraints

Officers' Reports

Chairman: Acting – Andrew Hodge
No report this month

Treasurer's report - Anna Young (AY)

Balances

Total £7698.02

- NatWest - £7,622.14
- Barclays deposit account - £0.65
- Petty cash - £75.23

Expenditure

- £909 – Spring news letter
- £45 – Hall hire – for Quiz night and AGM

Income

- Advertising income £510 –news letter
- GKRA book income £20

Outstanding invoices (being chased) £760 – £350 cancelled accounts

Fireworks expenditure all up-to-date

Banking Signature changes –

Action – BN to present at any branch of Barclays Bank and have his documentation to authorise signature.

Secretary - Andrew Hodge (AH)

Resident complaint concerning litter bin emptying – Mr Kenneth Young- wrote to say the as bins had not been emptied near the pond and on the common, Foxes have been raiding and spreading the litter. GKRA passed this to the HPC who were dealing with the issue.

Action - HPC

Outstanding action

Planning - John Golledge (JG)

- Following the April GKRA meeting JG has put in GKRA's comments re – the Planning application for a full property at the Alpaca farm (currently a Yurt on site), and the

nursery at the site of the Kings Head.

- No further applications were noted

Action – No actions required

Village Hall – Anna Young

Due to charity status the discussed subject of merging GKRA and the village Hall committees could not occur.

Events and Activities – Anna Young

Events committee

The next meeting is still tba and feedback will be made at the meeting in July.

The older age profile of the village and a lack of helpers is still a concern – recruitment is required.

- May – Village walk another success with 50 people – of which 30 were children. The walk ended at the Red Lion and the new proprietors were very welcoming.
- June – Wine tasting Evening TBC
- Quiz – TBC
- Macmillan Nurse coffee morning – support only
- Nov remembrance Sunday in Village hall
- Nov – Bonfire
- Dec – Carols

2018 – in addition to the annual events above -

- Easter egg Hunt
- Village Fete – possibility of Happy Circus on Allotment field ground of common Road depending upon access and availability – Simon to investigate with events committee.

Fireworks 2017- Brian Naylor and Andrew Hodge to lead with Trevor Bateman in charge of the build

Action -BN and AH to meet with Jane and Steve to create a list of helpers and plan for the firework based on past history of the event

Films – there is need for more input and thought re what attracts people – to sit with the events committee.

Village Maintenance and Improvements

Outstanding action - School speed reduction poster competition –

It was agreed that AH would contact the school travel co-ordinators to discuss the competition.

Action AH to raise at next meeting

Planters

TB approached the Brill's at Peterley regarding the availability of suitable plants for the GK planters. They agreed that summer blooms would be worth waiting for. It is assumed that Pipers school would still be willing to fund those at the end of the lane.

NAG – Stan Jones

- It is the aim to have 2 VAS machines in the village although 3 would be ideal. There is only 1 at the moment. Machines purchased would need support. GKRA stated that there are many volunteers and that this was not an issue.
- Another machine could be purchased and HPC would possibly fund 50% if the remaining funds were available. The cost is circa £2500.

Action: AH to investigate funding from sweet charity and Pipers school

Parish Matters – Stan Jones

- HPC agreed to send a report to Rose Meech for the GKRA magazine summer edition.
- Cricket club contract is still in discussion including access to the common for other events.

- Mowing of grass by the pond was delayed due to wild flowers being allowed to grow, cutting in July. GKRA raised concern about the village boundaries with both Great Missenden and Little Missenden especially along Heath End rd.

Action AH to investigate

- GKRA reported that a "Stop" road sign was now defunct at the end of Stag lane and that the 30mph sign near Ninneywood farm was obscured by tree branches on the Missenden Rd.

Action- Stan Jones HPC

- Allotments for the working poor. – Ownership was still being established but the land was not currently at threat. GKRA should put proposals up for an official use for it – next meeting an Orchard was proposed.

Action AH

Ongoing

Succession planning for GKRA –

The positions of Chairman and Treasurer are currently in the third and final year and the secretary is in the 2nd year of service. BN offered to serve an additional year as chairman subject to a change to the constitution. AY stated that due to a multitude of commitments she was standing down in September. Successors are to be sought for the position. There are no volunteers at the moment for these roles.

It was proposed that committee members approach villagers they know who may be persuaded to take on the roles.

A week's notice must be given of any proposed changes pre AGM.

It must be presented at the AGM.

Further discussion is required at the next meeting.

Action BN to mention in his report in the newsletter and to put a request for volunteers for GKRA committee members on the website

Date of Next Meeting: Monday 5th June 2017 at 7.30pm HPC Offices

Signed.....Date.....

Action list

Brian N

Outstanding Action – BN to present at Barclays Bank and authorise signature

Anna / Brian

Action: – BN and AY to report back from events meeting

Andrew.

Add to next month's agenda

- *Use for allotment land*
- *Fireworks*
- *Speed MVAS*
- *Succession planning*

David D- none required

Trevor B

Action: *Planters* -TB agreed to approach the Brill's at Peterley regarding the availability of summer blooms or other suitable plants for the GK planters.

John G – none required

HPC

Action:

1. Road signs – damaged: report on damaged signs will be sent to Transport for Bucks (TfB) for them to action. Obscured signs to be dealt with.