

GREAT KINGSHILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Minutes of meeting held on Monday 7th November 2016 at the Parish Council Offices, Great Kingshill

Present: Brian Naylor (Chairman), Anna Young (Treasurer); Andrew Hodge (Hon Secretary), David Jarman, David Davies, Trevor Bateman, John Golledge, Muriel Smith

In attendance: Brian Swain.

Apologies: Lucy Partington; Paul Nicholls.

Minutes of 3rd October 2016 meeting: The Minutes were reviewed, approved and signed by the chairman. There were no matters arising.

Officers' Reports

Chairman: Brian Naylor (BN)

GKRA News letter – Copy is due on 14th November

The chairman has submitted his chairman's report with mention of, Bob Davey thanking him for the demonstration at the GKRA AGM of how to use the defibrillator. John Golledge agreed to pass the contact details to the chairman for arranging a further demonstration if possible.

Thanks was passed to all those who helped in the bonfire evening which was a great success.

Action JG to pass Bob Davey's details to BN

Jane Westwood resigned (by e.mail) from the events committee after many years great service; she will finish at the end of the year. The chairman thanked her and her family for their active support over the past years.

It was agreed that a new lead within the events committee would be needed in the future especially for the fireworks night.

Action: The events committee to look into a leader for the bigger events and report back to the GKRA committee. Muriel Smith offered her support where appropriate.

Treasurer's report - Anna Young (AY)

Balances

Total £7,268.33

- NatWest - £2,760
- Barclays deposit account - £0.65
- Petty cash - £75.23
- Fireworks cash - £4,411
- Community cinema cash - £20.30

Income & expenditure

- Fireworks – gate £3,385, stalls £1,191
- Fireworks expenses – £3,242. Estimated £200 to come.
- Quiz night expenses - £44.50
- Bank charges refunded - £54.92

Banking

Signature changes – it was proposed and agreed by the committee that the secretary become a signatory and that the GKRA account be moved to Barclays on line to allow more speedy transactions, reduce delays in signing off cheques and paying bills. Other banks had been considered but were not as flexible.

Action - AY to set up an online Barclays account with the 3 officers of the committee as signatories.

Emergency reserve funds

It was agreed by all that with the income from the activities in the year a reserve of £3k - £4k would be kept, £3k for fireworks / insurance and £1k for extra ordinary events.

Secretary - Andrew Hodge (AH)

Sweet Charity

The secretary is arranging an interview for an article in the newsletter to promote the charity shop – Sweet Charity, subject to a meeting with the Charity organiser

Action – AH to approach Sweet Charity and raise the subject of an article in the GKRA newsletter

Water Mains work

Affinity Water gave late notification of Road works programme to improve water and drainage in the Hughenden Parish – AH requested Jill Jackling publish this on the GKRA web site.

BCC Winter driver advice sessions

The BCC are running a series of advice sessions on winter driving – it was suggested that this was sent to Stan Jones of Neighbourhood watch and the NAG for circulation.

Action – AH to send to Stan Jones

Letter to HPC re Fete and cricket Club (CC)

AH confirmed that an e-mail had been sent to HPC as agreed, regarding the access to the common for a Fete during future years, as this may conflict with CC activity. The Chairman and other committee members agreed to meet with the Chair of the CC and discuss the matter. Comments from HPC are awaited.

Volunteer for the committee

Charlotte Ryan contacted the committee and offered services to GKRA – AH invited Charlotte to attend a meeting so as she could assess whether she would like to be elected. No reply as yet.

Secretary web site link –

This has been set up

Planning - John Golledge (JG)

- Field end farm – on 29th June the extra Caravan has had extended approval for a further 3 years. This was missed due to date confusion as a June announcement that eventually appeared in July.
 - *Uplands* – No building can take place until the footpath issue is resolved. The site is up for sale.
 - *Chiltern and south Bucks Plan* – the plan is under review – the areas affecting GK are -
 - South edge of the Parish – Holmer Green
 - East edge of the parish – Hazelmere – more building spaces are required
- It was agreed that no further comment is warranted.

Events and Activities – Anna Young / Brian Naylor

MacMillan Coffee morning

The event was a great success with a full village hall. Jennifer Quick one of the organisers requested that GKRA support them again next year, it was agreed by the committee

Action BN to inform them that this would be the case and that no Hall rental would apply to the event and advertising on the GKRA website would be available

Fireworks night bonfire –

A great success over £1000 profit generated 650 attendees, only slightly lower than last year.

Thanks go to all who helped construct the bonfire and prepare the field on the Thursday and the companies and individuals who provided wood.

Thanks also go to Terry Secker and Jim Barnes for supplying and topping the field – at a low cost of £30. Thanks to those who helped run the evening, especially the events committee and Jill and Peter Jackling.

The field was cleared on the Saturday and a huge thanks you to all those helpers comes from the GKRA committee.

Quiz night

12th November tickets £10 including Fish and Chips– sold out

Cinema-

- *Children's show* – Kung Fu Panda Saturday 15th October – 15 Children 10 adults attended

- o *Fish eye film festival* -Simon Kearey – Communication was unclear and village hall committee expected to run it and no brief. The grant for the film should sit with the residence Association and a film chosen accordingly. This did not happen. Brian Swain agreed to feed back to Simon K and in future David J from the Village hall committee will meet with Simon and get some type of brief and an input.
Action BS and DJ to speak to SK before future events

Fete –

It was agreed that BN and AH would set up a sub committee for a fete and a draft proposal for ideas be drawn up in the next few months

Action - BN and AH to arrange a meeting and draw up proposals and recruit a sub committee.

Remembrance Sunday Wreath laying – 13th Nov

David D stated that 4 wreaths had been purchased one of which was for the GKRA. David J as master of ceremonies a 4-verse poem is to be read, a verse each by, Brian Naylor (GKRA), Councillor David Carroll, David Davies and David Jarman. AH agreed to provide the ceremony music and PA.

Carols 5pm 11th Dec

The annual carols outside of the Shop will be followed by mince pies etc in the village hall. A charity bucket will be made available and donations presented to the Baptist church Xmas tree collection fund. The carol service will be advertised on the GKRA web site.

Village Maintenance and Improvements

School speed reduction poster competition –

It was agreed that AH would contact the school travel co-ordinators to discuss the competition. Ideally around Christmas or New Year.

Action AH to contact Schools as above

Cockpit Hole –Pond maintenance –

The pond is now managed by HPV and there is no need for volunteers, as a contractor will be employed to manage it.

GKRA e-mail data base

It was agreed that residents data base should be updated and a call for interested residents to add their addresses so that they receive up-to-date information on activities in the village. It was also pointed out that GKRA data base should be registered and this registration may require renewing with the appropriate authorities.

Action - AH to draft a note to go into the news letter and check with Peter Jackling about the registration of the data base.

Planters

TB agreed to approach the Brill's at Peterley regarding the availability of winter blooms or other suitable plants for the GK planters.

Action TB

Parish Matters – Brian Swain

- *HPC* a new clerk has been installed.
- *MUGA* – planning application has been withdrawn.
- *Cricket Pavilion* – AH wrote to the Parish council re a copy of the proposed lease of the building and common to the Cricket club – this was to enable access by residents to hold events such as a fete. No reply has been received to date.
- *Speed cameras* – BS stated that it is the Councils goal to have 2 speed monitors in each village in the future. GKRA agreed to monitor the information from the cameras and change batteries as and when an allocation of a second camera occurred as well as maintaining the current camera. Training to collect data is required.
Action – Training to be arranged for GKRA volunteers via NAG DD to make contact with John Marchant to train AH to collect data.

- *Widmer End HPC representative – Stan Jones*

AOB

Succession planning for GKRA – to be put on December Agenda

Date of Next Meeting: Monday 5th Dec 2016 at 7.30pm HPC Offices

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