Meeting: Nutbourne Residents' Association members meeting

Date and Time: Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2007 at 7:15pm

Venue: Rising Sun Pub

Present:
Bob Allison (Treasurer)
Jean Baker (Chairperson)
Derek Baker
Andrew Moffat

Andrew Moffat Carol Nash Frank Riddle

Diane Smith (Secretary)

**Brian White** 

Peter Williams (resident guest)

Apologies: Jim Shaw

#### 1. Welcome

The Chairperson welcomed members to the meeting of the committee, and extended a warm welcome to Peter Williams, resident of Nutbourne.

# 2. Minutes of the last meeting (2<sup>nd</sup> July 2007)

AGREED as an accurate record of the meeting.

### 3. Matters arising from the last meeting

Ancient hedgerow – FR reported that he had been in touch with the Council for the Protection of Rural England with regard to the ancient hedgerow, and will report to the committee at the next meeting if any further action will be taken. ACTION FR. Neighbourhood Watch – JS has informed the committee that he wishes to pass the responsibility for the Neighbourhood Watch scheme in Nutbourne on to another member of the committee. CN nominated AM for this role, seconded by BA. AM stated that he would be in touch with the local constabulary for up-to-date information about the scheme and report back to the committee. ACTION AM.

**Affliation with Pulborough Society** – FR reported that he spoke to Anne Ball of the Pulborough Society. She stated that they would not be interested in affiliating with the Nutbourne Residents' Association. However, the Society was happy to welcome Nutbourne residents as individual members.

**Nutbourne Residents' Association website** – BW, FR and BA will meet to discuss further development of the website. ACTION BW,FR, BA.

**Planning and Development** – JB reported that development to Pear Tree Cottage was largely at the rear of the property and would not be significantly visible from the road, and that the Wilhaven development was nearly completed.

#### 4. Constitution

Prior to the meeting, members of the committee had received a copy of a draft constitution prepared by the JB and DS. A full discussion took place. AGREED that the draft constitution would be amended in accordance with the comments of the committee, and circulated to all residents of Nutbourne together with a letter inviting them to approve the constitution at an Annual General Meeting to be held in the New Year. The date and venue of the AGM will be discussed at the next meeting. ACTION DS to amend draft constitution. JB, DS, BA to prepare letter and deliver to Nutbourne residents. BA to enquire about an appropriate venue, and draft a paragraph for inclusion in the letter about voluntary contributions.

### 5. **Nutbourne Common**

FR reported to the committee the most recent developments regarding the Common, and agreed to inform the committee when Pulborough Parish Council would be meeting to discuss the next steps they intend to take. FR suggested that the committee write to Rob Free of the South Downs Joint Committee – Sussex Weald and Green Sand Heathland Preservation project group to seek their advice. All agreed. FR and JB to send a letter to Rob Free. JB to make enquires with Horsham District Council. ACTION FR and JB

## 6. Date of next meeting

Next meeting to be held on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2008 at 7:15pm at the Rising Sun Pub.