
Meeting: Nutbourne Residents' Association
Date and Time: Monday 22 July 2013 at 7.15pm
Venue: The Rising Sun Pub

Committee Members

Brian White (Chairman)
Diane Smith (Secretary)
Bob Allison (Treasurer)
Andrew Moffat (NHW)
David Seaton (Website)

Residents

Mick Smithers	Callum Osborne
Mary Smithers	Lorraine Osborne
Barry Davis	Jilly Marcuson
Heather Davis	Robin Martin
Frank Riddle	Carole Martin
S Faithful	Pam Wellard
David Faithful	John Wellard
Jo Curtis	Jim Hool
A Rose	Kate Hool
T H Rose	Jim Shaw
Stephen Osborne	Jill Shaw
Jean Osborne	Charlotte Howard

Apologies

Jean Baker
Derek Baker

1. Welcome & Apologies

The Chairman welcomed members and residents, and BW expressed thanks on behalf of the Committee and all residents to the Rising Sun Pub for making their premises available for our meeting.

2. Minutes of the last meeting (13 May 2013)

Minutes were AGREED as an accurate record of the meeting.

3. Matters Arising

Gypsy & Travellers Study Update. BW reported that a meeting was to take place this week to approve a Consultation Document which will be published in August inviting comments from the public. BW noted that the number of dwellings to be sited at the Lane Top property has been decreased from the initial proposed five dwellings to three dwellings. AM pointed out that residents should be alert to the issue of what happens when the current owner decides to sell the land. AM believes that it should be returned to agricultural land. BW will keep the residents informed as to further developments. **ACTION BW**

Stuart's Wood Update. BW reported that a letter was written on behalf of the residents to Mr and Mrs Lawson raising the issue of public access to Stuart's Wood.

BW read out the Lawson's response to the residents in attendance which stated that the NRA suggestions would be discussed by the family and they would contact the committee if any of the suggestions were considered appropriate. All agreed that the response was disappointing. BW proposed that the issue be discussed at the April 2014 meeting. A copy of the letter is attached to the minutes and the original lodged with the Secretary. **ACTION BW**

Nutbourne Footpaths Study Update. BW reported that he and FR had been working on the Footpath study, hoping to send it to West Sussex County Council very soon. FR stated that additional information needed to be added to the study concerning some stiles and barb wire. All agreed a vote of thanks to FR and BA for removing a large amount of barbed wire along the footpath that runs adjacent to the Mill Pond. This was carried out with the owners permission. FR to be reimbursed for £20 expenses. **ACTION FR and BW**

Nutbourne Common Works. BW stated that he was waiting to receive a copy of a report about the recent work carried out on Nutbourne Common. D Seaton proposed that a letter be written to Pulborough Parish Council pressing for more consultation prior to work being carried out in the Common. All agreed. **ACTION BW**

Footpaths 71 and 71a. BW reminded residents that 71a (Public Footpath 2433) is a footpath that runs from Nutbourne Common up to Goat Cottage. FR was concerned that the footpath is too narrow and requires work. D Seaton proposed that for the sake of 2" the footpath should not be altered. BW seconded, residents were in agreement. With regard to highway 71 (PF 2432), an 'ancient track' running from Nutbourne Road to Carpe Diem), BW stated that he had received a letter from five residencies along the highway stating that FP 2432 was a public highway under the jurisdiction of West Sussex County Council and requested that the NRA not discuss the matter of ownership to avoid being drawn into an unnecessary dispute. All agreed that there was nothing to discuss at this time. A copy of the letter is attached to the minutes and the original lodged with the Secretary. Mr and Mrs Osborne of Carpe Diem requested a copy of the letter. **ACTION BW**

4. Any Other Business.

4.1 Annual subscriptions. BA reminded residents that the annual subscription was £5 per resident, and he would be happy to accept contributions at every meeting.

4.2 'Make Nutbourne more beautiful'. FR proposed that a campaign be launched to improve the look of Nutbourne. BW proposed that residents attend the next meeting with ideas as to how this could be carried forward. **ACTION residents**

4.3 Lorry tyres on verge. Several residents stated that the lorry tyres on the verge either side of the entrance to the house called 'Twyford' were potentially dangerous as well as unsightly. The majority of residents in attendance proposed that BW speak to the Mr and Mrs Conway about their concerns. **ACTION BW**

4.4 Neighbourhood Watch. AM reminded residents that he had stickers to deter doorstep salespeople and NHW stickers available at the meeting. He also alerted residents to a meeting to be held at the West Chiltington Village Hall on Tuesday 30th July to discuss a proposed settlement at Brinsbury. Additional information can be obtained from AM.

4.5 Pump House. D Seaton informed the residents that planning permission was being sought by the owners of the Old Pump House for a new extension to the property. DS encouraged residents to voice their objection to this application.

4.6 Nutbourne 9K. Jim Hool stated that this annual fun run will take place on 13th July 2013 in the aid of the St Nicholas Nairobi Fund. The charity run raised £800, and JH intends to schedule the run in May/June next year.

4.7 Precept discussion. AM proposed that a member of the Pulborough Parish Council attend the next meeting to discuss what Nutbourne residents receive from the Pulborough precept that they pay every year. **ACTION BW** to write to the Council.

5. Date of next meeting.

Next meeting to be held on Monday 28 October 2013 at 7:15pm.

Accepted as accurate

Chairperson