MEETING MINUTES

Held on Tuesday 24th JULY 2018 at The Barn, Long Platt

ATTENDEES

Committee Members:

Brian White (BW) Chairman
Bob Allison (RA) Treasurer
Jilly Marcuson (JM) Secretary

Andrew Moffat (AM) NHW Coordinator

Residents:

Mary Smithers Chris & Jeanette Brickell
Jane Allison Susan & Roger Burroughs
Gill & Jim Shaw Betty & Mike Sherwood

Nad Guest Peter Gregory
Audrey & Trevor Rose Martin Heath

Dianne Smith

Apologies:

Pam & John Wellard Gill & Rod Wilson
Frank Riddle Carole & Robin Martin
Ruth Simmonds Neighbourhood Wardens

WELCOME

The Chairman (BW) opened the meeting and welcomed residents.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS

The minutes of the AGM meeting held on 24th April 2018 were accepted, by those present, as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

1. MATTERS ARISING

1.1 Gypsy Travellers & Travelling Show People Proposal Document

HDC's proposal for the siting of additional Gypsy sites across the county, Lane top included has effectively been 'put on the back burner'. However this had been superceded by a successful planning application from the owners of Lanetop removing the family only restriction. This has now been overturned by a Judicial Review instigated by concerned local residents.

In deciding not to defend the JR, HDC acknowledged that the planning department had misinterpreted data from WSCC when presenting the application to the Planning Committee.

This means that the planning permission for Lane Top reverts to 'family only' as approved by the 2010 planning decision.

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1.2 Parish Neighbourhood Wardens – Report

No report available as the Wardens were unable to attend, however their Report to PPC for July is summarised below: -

- Continue to patrol hot spot ASB (Anti-Social Behaviour) areas, which has decreased across the Parish
- Sports sessions for kids arranged for August and Pocket Park clean up.
- School parking problems are in hand
- Activities for elderly residents, trip to Hepworth Brewery
- Training sessions for mobility scooters being organised, contact the Wardens if you are interested.
- Aiming to organise a PR event to help recruit volunteers for PDCCA

Although the Wardens were unable to attend this meeting, BW was informed that they would try to attend the AGM.

1.3 Planning Enforcement Issues

The 'until further notice' Garage Sale at Oakdene House prompted concern from a number of local residents and HDC Planning Enforcement were contacted by the Wardens. The Planning Enforcement Officer made a site visit and issued an Enforcement Notice giving the owners two weeks to cease 'trading'; this was ultimately complied with albeit belatedly.

BW commented that it was good to know that there is a process to deal with such matters and that appropriate action was taken.

1.4 Road Watch Issues

Speeding - Diane Smith reported that she had to deal with a dead cat outside her house that had been hit by a car. She was concerned that cars and 'white vans', making deliveries, continue to ignore the 20 mph speed restriction. Much discussion ensued with ideas for increasing awareness. Ultimately agreed that we should ask WSCC again, to investigate painting 20MPH roundels at strategic locations as you enter the village. Specific locations were discussed but would, no doubt, be part of the Highways Engineer's report. It was noted that previously WSCC has said 'no funds' were available; however, we shall ask again and if we receive the same response we might consider self-funding. It was also suggested that we should consider 'flyers' being prepared and placed in the pub or perhaps delivered to homes in the village.

Roger Burroughs mentioned the recent accident in Nutbourne Road where a car ploughed through a fence. BW will include this in his email to WSCC.

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BW suggested that we might consider purchasing more 20Mph stickers to put on our bins.

Lastly BW reminded residents that we must all try to identify speeding vehicles, if not their registration, then company logo and report it.

Action: BW

Potholes - Residents noted that some repairs had been carried out locally but that Nutbourne Lane in particular still had a number of potholes and edge breakaway to be attended to. BW stated that he would contact HDC again.

Action: BW

1.5 NHW Update – Nil to report

1.6 Social Events

Pumpkin Rolling – 28th October Christmas Carols – 23rd December

1.7 Scam Calls

John Wellard stated that he has received a number of scam calls purporting to be from BT. These almost certainly will be scams and should be ignored. As a general rule BW stated that unless you have requested the contact, cold calls should be ignored.

2. AOB

2.1. Road sign pole painting

Frank, who was unable to attend, asked BW to put to the meeting his suggestion that we follow Storrington's initiative and paint our road sign poles green. The general consensus was mixed but not against the suggestion.

Action: FR/BW

2.2 Swing Gates

FR has over the last few months installed swing gates, provided by WSCC and installed with the permission of the landowner. This has greatly aided access for those for whom traditional stiles present a problem. After some discussion and appreciation for Franks' efforts. Two more locations were put forward:-

- 1. Where the footpath meets Chris Lawson's farmyard.
- 2. At the top of the steps that lead down to Bridget's pond.

Action: FR/BW

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2.3 Parking in The Street

Peter Gregory raised a concern that, in an emergency, vehicles, particularly Fire Engines, may not be able to reach his house in Nutbourne Lane because of double parked vehicles in The Street, particularly those double parked near the pub. After much discussion it was agreed that BW would approach Reagan with regard having a notice asking visitors not to double park.

Action: BW

2.4 Ebbsworth Cottage

Jeanette Brickell advised the meeting that Shazi Lambert is now resident at the Anchorage Nursing Home and is very happy. She requested that we all keep an eye on the cottage and that a gardener does visit from time to time.

2.5 Best Dressed Garden

Andrew Moffat put forward a suggestion that we consider having a 'Best Dressed Garden' (visible from the road) competition next year. This was considered a great idea. It would be an NRA event and would be presented at the AGM for further discussion, probably to be held in May/June.

2.6 Aircraft Noise Update

Shortly after the meeting BW received an update re aircraft noise via Ian Hare who set up the PAGNE organisation to work with LGW Management. A Noise Management Board was established to facilitate discussions between all parties. The following is a summary of their position as it stands today:-

"You will see from my summary that NMB 11 was extremely disappointing, with a number of key initiatives either stalling or, in the case of Fair and Equitable Dispersal, now being considered non-deliverable. With so little progress over the past 12 months, Community Noise Groups have become increasingly frustrated and are now questioning whether the Noise Management Board, as currently constituted, and its leadership are capable of delivering meaningful noise improvement. Attached is a copy of a Community Noise Group letter to Sir Roy McNulty (Gatwick - Chairman) and Stewart Wingate (Gatwick - Chief Executive Officer) outlining these concerns. A formal meeting is being arranged to discuss our concerns in detail and our proposals for change.

Finally, I wanted to make you aware of a recent meeting between Baroness Sugg (Aviation Minister) and the Gatwick MPs Group. This meeting has been almost a year in the making and focussed very much on the development and delivery of a balanced Airport Growth v Noise Reduction mechanism, as required by the Government's 2013 Airspace Policy Framework. I attach a copy of the briefing note provided to our MPs in advance of the meeting. I hope you find this useful background information. Baroness Sugg will be issuing actions in due course, but initial feedback would suggest that this was a difficult meeting for Gatwick.

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We are now moving into the peak summer period when plane noise will be at its most intrusive. I would therefore encourage you all to continue logging your complaints via Gatwick's on line portal - web link "

attached. http://flighttracking.casper.aero/lgw/complaint/

You will have gathered that things are not at all positive at the moment and we certainly do seem to have our share of aircraft noise from time to time. This subject will be added to the next Agenda.

Anyone wishing to view the attachment referenced above should contact the Chairman, who forward a copy electronically.

3. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday $23^{\rm rd}$ October 2018 in The Barn, Long Platt, at 7.15pm.

Accepted as accurate		
	Chairman	Date