

Nutbourne Residents' Association

July 2008

Dear Neighbour

Nutbourne Residents' Association Update

Nearly a year has gone by since the formation of the Nutbourne Residents' Association (NRA), and we wanted to provide you with an update of our actions.

Neighbourhood Watch Scheme. We enclose a letter and sticker concerning the Nutbourne Neighbourhood Watch Scheme (NHW). This scheme has been relaunched to help safeguard our community, with a new local coordinator Andrew Moffat. He hopes to keep you up-to-date with news about NHW issues twice a year, and a more frequent update via email with the help of Brian White. So please contact Brian with your email address if you would like prompt information about criminal activities in our area.

NRA Website. For many years there has been a Nutbourne website established by Frank Riddle and Jim Noble which covered local history and local points of interest. Frank and Brian White are working together to develop the website so that it reflects the activities of the residents association. The website address is www.nutbourne.org.uk. Have a look and see if your house is one of our historical landmarks.

Pulborough Parish Council (PPC). A number of residents have expressed concern about the sharp increase in the amount of tax (precept) that Nutbourne residents pay to the Pulborough Parish Council. Be advised that the NRA is currently in discussion with the Parish Council about this issue.

Fingerposts. The Association has been in correspondence with the West Sussex Highways Department to replace two fingerposts in the village – one at the junction of Stream Lane and Nutbourne Road, and at the junction of West Chiltington Road and Nutbourne Road. We will keep you informed of our progress in having the fingerposts replaced.

Nutbourne Common. The Common has been of considerable concern to Nutbourne residents over the last year, and the Association has been informed in writing by Pulborough Parish Council that 'there is no intention to increase the size of the clearing, now or in the future'. We think that this is good news as this ancient Common has long been a quiet haven for residents and wild life. Recently there has been growing concern about the debris and tree stumps left after the clearing of the centre of the Common. We are discussing the issue at our next meeting, and will keep you informed.

NRA subscription. In order to cover sundry running costs (paper, printer ink, website), the Association has approved an annual voluntary residents subscription of £5 per person. Anyone wishing to contribute should contact Bob Allison, NRA Treasurer (robert.a.allison@virgin.net).

Invitation to attend our meetings. We would like to remind you that all Nutbourne residents are invited to attend the regular meetings of the Association, and are entitled to join the Committee upon request to the Chairperson. You can keep up-to-date with our activities by reading all meeting agendas and minutes posted on the village notice board. Our current Committee members include:- Jean Baker (Chairperson), Bob Allison (Treasurer), Diane Smith (Secretary), Andrew Moffat (NHW local coordinator), Derek Baker, Carol Nash, Jim Noble, Frank Riddle, Jim Shaw, Mike Sherwood, Brian White. Our next regular meeting is on Monday 14th July 2008 at 7:15pm at the Rising Sun Pub.

Jean Baker
Chairperson
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