

Holybourne Village Association

(Founded 1974)



Minutes of Committee Meeting held on 13th January 2009 at Holybourne Village Hall

Present: Karen Bennett (KB) - Chairman Phil Croucher (PC) Ben Kemp (BK)
David Godfrey (DG) - Secretary James Bull (JB) John Honnor (JH)
Vickie Kemp (VK) - Treasurer Barrie Lawrence (BL) Glynis Watts (GW)
Nick Cane (NC) Steve Downes (ST) Pat Lerew (PL)
Lynn Kelly (LK) Andy Maddock (AM) David Willoughby (DW)

1. Opening of Meeting

The meeting opened at 20.07 hrs.

2. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from: - Vernon Burford, Tom Yendell & Jerry Janes.

David Tomlinson was unable to attend.

3. Minutes of December 2008 Meeting

3.1 Agree minutes of December 2008 Meeting.

The minutes of the meeting were approved.

3.2 Matters arising from the minutes.

NC advised that the signs discouraging feeding of white bread to the birds on the pond had been installed; it had since fallen off and will be refixed.

12.1 Environmental department have given approval for the tree to be lopped but not removed.

12.2 Funds from the carol singing evening were to be passed to the village hall fund.

Proposed JH, seconded AM committee approved.

12.3 Permission to be sought for a mounting to be placed in grass verge adjacent to the memorial plaque. Mounting required for temporary erection of flagpole during ceremonial occasions.

3.3 Signing of the minutes.

The minutes were signed by KB, Chairman.

4. Neighborhood Watch/Street Watch

4.1 Chief Inspector Philip Kedge addressed the meeting outlining the aim of 'Street Watch'. He was able to advise the committee that Four Marks had been running their scheme since January 2008. They had already noticed the benefits of the scheme in seeing a positive reduction in anti-social behavior. Four Marks are the first area in East Hampshire to run with this scheme.

4.2 Chief Inspector Kedge stated the main aims of 'Street Watch' is to, increase the feelings of safety within the community, reduce anti-social behaviour, offer reassurance and information, engage with young people, improve community cohesion, work in partnership with the police and to support those who suffer from anti-social behaviour.

4.3 The committee voted to join this scheme when offered the opportunity by CI.PK, he stated that he would, in his own personal time lead the 8 to 10 (minimum) group and advise how to set up and run effectively the scheme in Holybourne. As a result it was agreed to hold the inaugural meeting of 'Holybourne Street Watch' on Monday 26th January 2009 at 7-30pm in the village hall.

4.4 Members of the HVA will arrange for the display of notices advising this meeting.

5. SHIFT

5.1 NC advised the meeting that the SHIFT report was in hand and would be presented shortly

5.2 NC reminded members of the ATP meeting to be held at the Alton Community Centre 28th February 2009.

6. Friends of the Pond

6.1 NC reported that the pond was soon to be cleared of debris.

7. Planning and Development.
 - 7.1 One minor application had been lodged with EHDC during the period.
8. HVA Members Open Forum (note that items for the open forum may be time limited by the Chairman)
 - 8.1 Concern was expressed regarding speeding vehicles in the village. Apart from residents themselves, it had been noted that taxi drivers, couriers and several trade vehicles failed to heed the speed limit of 30 mph. NC has written to the local taxi companies outlining our concerns. These letters were signed by KB. NC will prepare letters for other companies.
 - 8.2 Prior to the next Christmas Carol Singing evening, it was suggested the committee decide on the charity that would benefit from the evenings proceeds.
 - 8.3 GW advised that the proposed A31 petrol station development team had deposited plans with EHDC.
 - 8.4 GW advised the meeting that she planned to hold open surgeries for Holybourne residents in the Village Hall on the second Tuesday of each month prior to the HVA meetings. Members thought this to be an excellent idea.
 - 8.5 Tom Yendell is to be asked to arrange for a representative from Treloars College, to attend a future HVA meeting to talk about the village people, particularly the youngsters, sharing the sports and swimming facilities with us.
9. Treasurers Report
 - 9.1 VK reported that little activity had taken place over the Christmas period.
10. Any Other Business
 - 10.1 LK reported that arrangements had been made for the summer picnic to take place Saturday 21st June 2009. An alternative date of the 28th June had been penciled in just in case of inclement weather. LK asked for as much help to be available as possible, please enter this date in your diary.
11. Date of Next Meeting
 - 11.1 Date of the next HVA Committee meeting, Tuesday 10th February 2009.
12. Close of Meeting
 - 12.1 The meeting closed at 21-57 hrs.