

Holybourne Village Association

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8th December 2020 Zoom Meeting MINUTES

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| Committee Members Present | David Houghton (Chair); Vickie Kemp (Treasurer); Kate Carmichael (Secretary); Jerry Janes (Magazine); Julia Wood; Nick Wood; Pat Lerew; Carey Robertson; Kellie-Jayne Cox; John Rapley |
| Ex Officio | Andrew Joy (HCC), Graham Hill (EHDC and ATC), Paul Crossley (ATC) |
| Village Members | Adrian and Catherine Stratta |

| No | Item | To do |
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| 1 | Opening of Meeting and Apologies for Absence Peter Packham, Gordon and Ruth Randall. | |
| 2 2.1 2.2 | Minutes of Last Meeting Agree Minutes - November minutes agreed. Signing of Minutes - KC to sign and post on the website | |
| 3 | Members Open Forum Adrian and Catherine Stratta to raise concerns in parking and traffic in village 4.1 | |
| 4 4.1 | <p>Live Issues and Projects</p> <p>Parking and traffic in the village - Further to concerns raised this week, GH spoke to the EHDC officer responsible for the proposed parking restrictions for the Howards Lane/London Road junction and as a result of this, she has sent a revised plan - attached to these minutes. This new plan reduces the extent of the proposed parking restrictions.</p> <p>GH advised that the formal consultation does not start until 1st week of January. There will then be a 3 week period for comments to be made, at the end of which comments will be collated before the proposal goes forward for comments from highways and the police etc and then a second consultation. The decision will take several months. This proposal is part of a wider initiative where the EHDC are looking at junctions across Alton to improve safety. There are other traffic calming measures and restrictions being considered, for example along Anstey Road and around Wootteys. The Highway Code gives directions for how many metres from a junction cars should be parked, however this code is not enforceable. The revised plan is for lines to be painted on the road to enforce these guidelines.</p> <p>Adrian Stratta commented that the neighbours around Howards Lane had been horrified at the original proposal. If cars couldn't park on London Road, would they park on Howards Lane? Have other ideas been considered? The parked cars actually slow down the traffic flowing through the village, the volume of which has been increasing.</p> <p>DH reiterated that it was early days in the process and that GH will make sure that all those particularly affected will be consulted.</p> <p>AJ believes something needs to be done in order to preempt an accident waiting to happen. He also advised that a crossing to Andrews Endowed is being reviewed by county. It is important to gather villagers' views and opinions at the moment. This is a two stage legal process and we are leading up to the first stage. The advantage is that we are looking at this before the first legal process. JJ welcomes the discussion and agrees with Adrian that speed is a major issue in the village. He asked AJ if there would be a possibility of tying this plan in with some traffic calming measures through the village.</p> <p>AJ wants to reassure people that there is no campaign to install yellow lines at every opportunity.</p> | GH |

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| 4.2 | <p>Assets of community value - DH has held a zoom meeting with CR and Richard Kelly to identify the potential assets for the village. It was agreed that they were the White Hart, the Village Shop/Post Office, sports field and playground. Carey has taken on the job of proving the White Hart is an asset of community value. Lorne will have a chat with Paul and Jo at the shop to see what their feelings are. Richard Kelly looked at the playground in more detail. He confirmed that there is a 30 year lease with Froyle Estates but there is also a right of lift and shift. They have the right to move the playground as long as they provide another suitable area. The value of that land is likely to be in 7 figures. Therefore the chances of a community buyout might be a bit of a stretch. Richard's recommendation is that the asset is "safe" although possibly not in that location, so probably something we don't need to look at further. With regards to the sports field - DH has contacted David Andrews and David Maxwell. David Andrews confirms that the lease for the sports field runs out in December 2021 - in one year's time. He has tried to approach Froyle Estates to renew the lease but because of the changes at Froyle Estates, they have not been able to sort this. He would be very happy for the HVA to take this forward. If the playground land is worth so much, then the sports field may well be the same and therefore it may not be possible for the community to purchase this, although the roman remains known to lie under the sports field might make it of less a value. JJ is collecting photos of the Summerfest or any other village activities on the sports field to help provide the evidence of community asset.</p> <p>VK asked why the village hall was not on that list. The Charities Commission own it, they are just trustees. DH will talk to VK about this.</p> <p>NW asked if the theatre on the list? PL believes theatre is owned by Holybourne Theatre Group.</p> | JJ VK/ DH |
| 4.3 | <p>Defibrillator - £1000 has been received from AJ and GH (£500 each) for the purchase of a new defibrillator. The next step will be to contact Oakley Services. to purchase the new defibrillator, which will be linked to the ambulance services. DH will liaise with Graham Cook</p> | DH |
| 5 | <p>Planning and Development Issues in and around Holybourne / Alton</p> | |
| 5.1 | New Planning Applications - none of concern | |
| 5.2 | Veolia - Recycling facility - no more news. None expect now until early January or possibly February. | |
| 5.3 | New Local Plan - no change. EHDC is still working on the local plan. | |
| 5.4 | Alton and District Residents' Association - PL reported that there was an EGM and AGM on 17th November. The new chair is Dean Phillips. ADRA has a vital role with all the planning proposals that are coming up in the area and PL reiterates the fact that she would like someone else from Holybourne to go along with her to meetings. | |
| 6 | <p>Holybourne Events</p> | |
| 6.1 | Summerfest - JJ is happy to organise this. CR - the pub are organising their all day music festival and a couple of other evenings. She will let KC know dates so they can go on the website calendar and also to make sure that Summerfest doesn't clash with them. | CR/ KC |
| 6.2 | Bonfire Night | |
| 6.3 | Remembrance | |
| 6.4 | Carols by the Tree | |
| 7 | <p>Village Communications</p> | |
| 7.1 | Magazine - this has been delivered and JJ was congratulated for another excellent magazine. VK is not able to deliver them any more. She is happy to organise the distribution still but would like some more volunteers to help with delivery. VK and Kay Tomlinson were thanked for organising the adverts and collecting the money. | |
| 7.2 | Website - all ok. KC keeping it updated. | |
| 7.3 | Facebook - VK will send agenda and details of meetings to JJ who runs the community support Facebook to put on that page as well as the HVA one. | VK/JJ |
| 7.4 | Holybourne Archive Group - there is an article from Linda in the magazine. | |

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| <p>9</p> | <p>Any Other Business</p> <p>CR - Froyle have delivered the Christmas Tree. Andy Hankin will put the lights on it on Saturday.</p> <p>NW - property on Anstey Mill Lane. GH has contacted the planning enforcement officer and pointed out its dilapidated state. The enforcement officer has contacted the owner who has said that he/she has been unable to do anything because of Covid. GH will keep the enforcement officer informed of any lack of action. A next step could be to get a section 215 issued..</p> <p>KC - Ruth would like to know what is happening about the cars parked on the pavement outside the Queens Head on London Road. Letters were sent to the owners a while ago to ask them to move their cars. The pub have offered them to park on their property for a small amount each month. These cars are an obstruction and a TRO could be raised for a yellow line to be put outside these properties. GH will raise the matter with Tracy Webb at EHDC.</p> <p>GH - Estate agents signs are still a problem. If the signs are on council property he can again arrange for letter to be sent to estate agents but the land belongs to Barleyfields Alton Management Company. It was noted that no residents are directors of this anymore - it is just a maintenance company. PC wrote to them as a resident but they came back saying that these boards helped sell the properties. PC and GH will keep doing what they can.</p> <p>PL - Complins has two large greens on which there are trees originally purchased by the then Complins Residents' Association. These trees need some attention. PL wanted to know if HVA would be willing to fund this. DH asked PL to put proposal together to be discussed. JR to have a socially distanced walk around with PL to do this. AJ believes that EHDC is responsible for them and therefore Hampshire County Council could reasonably be asked to look at the trees. AJ will ask them to have a look.</p> <p>GH has £1000 left in his grant allocation for this year. He has been approached by Holybourne Theatre for some. Are there any other causes that need money? He has to spend this before the end of March next year.</p> | <p>GH</p> <p>GH</p> <p>AJ</p> |
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