

Hughenden Valley Residents Association

Minutes of the HVRA Executive Committee Meeting held on
Tuesday 3rd November 2009 in Hughenden Small Village Hall at 7.30pm

Approved

- 1. Present:** Paul Cawte (Chairman), Angus Idle (Vice-Chairman), Al Bowyer (Treasurer), Jill Armshaw (Secretary), Daphne Hicks, David Johnson, Sara Hamilton, Rosemary Hewitt, Dory Morgan, David Sharp, Andrea Hulley, John Miller, Cllr Lin Smith.
- 2. Apologies for Absence:** Janet Idle, Janette Saville, Edna Parker, Christine Bowyer, Phil Gomm, Geoff Wright, Jerry Morley, Karen Dynes.
- 3.** A letter has been received from Laura Carter stating that due to family and work commitments she has decided to resign her position as representative for Boss Lane. The Secretary has written to Laura thanking her for the work she has done for HVRA.

Karen Dynes has agreed to be road representative for Boss Lane.

4. Police Report.

The Chairman welcomed Neighbourhood Specialist Officer PC Lee Turnham and PCSO Natalie Hall to the meeting. PC Turnham informed members that in 2008 a Neighbourhood Action Group (NAG) was formed covering the parishes of Hughenden, Hazlemere and Chepping Wycombe. The area was large and diverse and a new Hughenden NAG has been created. The purpose of the NAG is to inform police policy directly from local communities. The first meeting of the new NAG will take place in the next few weeks and Hughenden Valley Ward will be represented by Cllr Lin Smith for the Parish Council and Paul Cawte, Al Bowyer and Jill Armshaw for HVRA. The NAG intends to send a census to all households annually to establish priorities for police attention. The Chairman volunteered the HVRA road representative household delivery system as a means of distributing the census. PC Turnham reported that speed enforcement is continuing on Warrendene Road and at a site outside Deeter on Valley Road, which has been classified as a speed-monitoring site. Reports of anti social behaviour have decreased and motor vehicle theft remains low. A warning was issued not to leave laptops in cars even if they are hidden in the boot. New technology being used by criminals can detect laptops and satellite navigation devices within cars. PC Turnham can be contacted on the non-emergency police telephone number 08458 505 505, internal extension 7156773 or 01494 736773.

5. Minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday 6th October 2009.

These were RESOLVED as a true record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman.

6. Matters Arising.

None.

7. Treasurer's Report.

Total as at 6th October 2009; Deposit Account £5,047.77, Current Account £1,682.00, Cash & Cheques in hand £1,439.40, Total Overall Funds £8,169.17, uncleared cheques £1,315.50, Available Funds £6,853.67. Subscription fees received to date £1,542.00. Advertising revenue received for 2009/2010 £2,040.00.

8. Events.

8.1. Potter Cup Quiz, 10th October 2009. The Chairman thanked everyone involved in the organisation of this successful evening. 'Universally Challenged' from Bryants Bottom won the cup answering 70% of questions correctly. The team with the lowest score correctly answered 50% of questions. A discussion took place to consider feedback from the quiz. It

was agreed that feedback would be taken on board and the format updated for next year.

Action: Angus Idle to book the Village Hall for Saturday 9th October 2010.

8.2 Christmas Bazaar, 21st November 2009. Organisation of the tombola was discussed. It was unanimously agreed that HVRA donate a £25.00 Marks & Spencer voucher as raffle prize.

8.3 Senior Citizens Evening 22nd May 2010. Al Bowyer will act as Master of Ceremonies.

8.4 AGM, 1st June 2010. The proposed guest speaker has not yet confirmed whether he can attend on the revised date of 1st June 2010.

9. Communications.

9.1 Hughenden News. The Chairman praised the recent autumn edition. Copy deadline for the next edition is 1st December 2009.

9.2 Website. A brief discussion took place and it was agreed that a common inclusive goal should be agreed. **Action:** Al Bowyer to set objectives and arrange a meeting of the sub-committee.

10. Reports.

10.1 Road Representatives.

10.1.1 Cryers Hill. Residents continue to be concerned about parking issues at Evington. A member expressed concern at the standard of care provided by emergency response agency staff.

10.1.2 Fleet Close. More 'I See You Looking... But All Property Here Is Marked' Thames Valley Police window stickers will be made available to representatives who require them.

10.1.3 Bryants Bottom Road. The secretary agreed to design and distribute flyers to residents of Bryants Bottom Road requesting a volunteer to become the new road representative.

10.1.4 Bryants Bottom. A new sign has been erected at the Village Entry Gateway reading 'Bryants Bottom Please Drive Carefully'. Daffodil bulbs donated by Hughenden Parish Council will be planted at the gateway. The representatives for Bryants Bottom proposed to arrange a social event for residents to encourage community spirit. It was agreed that HVRA provide £50.00 to cover costs associated with the event. The issue of a temporary vehicle speed indicator device being installed in Bryants Bottom will be raised with the new Hughenden NAG. Residents continue to be concerned about the poor road surface and frequent flooding on Bryants Bottom Road. **Action:** The Secretary is to invite Cllr R Pushman to attend an HVRA Committee Meeting to discuss this and other road safety issues.

10.2 Planning Sub-Committee. WDC Enforcement is investigating dumping of rubbish in a field south of The Gate Public House in Bryants Bottom Road.

10.3 Parish Council. The next meeting of the Services Committee to be held on 15th December 2009 will consider a request from HVRA for a dog toilet box to be positioned at the Whitfield Road entrance to the allotments. Cllr Smith was thanked for her work in having a TSID installed on Coombe Lane to monitor vehicle speed. **Action:** Angus Idle to contact Cllr Smith concerning possible options for tree planting.

10.4 Village Hall Committee. Report attached to Minutes.

10.5 Community Shop. The manager has resigned. A temporary manager has been employed and a new shop manager should be appointed before the end of the year.

10.6 Neighbourhood Action Group. See section 4 for report by PC Turnham.

10.7 Road Safety. The Planning Sub-Committee has written a draft letter concerning a

pedestrian crossing at Coombe Lane. The letter urges concerned residents to write to Cllr Letheren and other council representatives with their views. The Planning Sub-Committee has written to Bucks County Council and Hughenden Parish Council on this matter.

11. Any Other Business.

A member proposed that residents should be kept better informed of the many actions and achievements of HVRA Executive Committee. It was agreed that Hughenden News currently communicates with residents and when the HVRA website is operational residents will be provided with more information. It was noted that future discussion should consider whether HVRA Executive Committee Minutes should be published on the proposed website.

There is no Executive Committee Meeting scheduled for January 2010. It was proposed that a Social Evening be arranged. **Action:** Al Bowyer to organise.

12. Date of next meeting.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 1st December 2009 commencing at 7.30pm.

The meeting was declared closed at 9.30pm.

Signed

Date