

**Ellisfield Village Association**

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting**

**Tuesday 4 April 2017**

**At Ellisfield Memorial Hall, 7.30**

Attendance: Dee Haas, Ali Swanston, Susie Deane, Tony Simmons, Zani Robinson, Pat Pegg, Richard Haas, Debbie and Seamus Foster, Sarah Rockley, Ray and Vicky Reed, Gordon Dunse

**1 Welcome**

Dee Haas, EVA's Chairman, welcomed and thanked everyone for sparing the time to attend the AGM.

**2 Apologies**

Apologies were received from; Hannah Houstin-Lacey, Joanne Thomas, Nicki Palmer, Katie Spraggs, Chris and Doreen Lonergan, Dennis and Sallie Paravicini

**3 Minutes of Meeting Wednesday 29 June 2016**

The minutes were approved by all.

**4 Chairman's Report**

Dee Haas presented her report, please see attached.

**5 Treasurer's Report**

Tony Simmons presented his report, please see attached.

**6 Election of Officers and Committee Members**

**Chairman – Dee Haas**

Proposed by Ali Swanston and seconded by Tony Simmons. Unanimously agreed.

**Treasurer – Tony Simmons**

Proposed by Zani Robinson and seconded by Debbie Foster. Unanimously agreed.

**Secretary – Ali Swanston**

Proposed by Dee Haas and seconded by Ray Reed. Unanimously agreed.

**EVA Committee Members - Susie Deane, Katie Spraggs**

Proposed by Zani Robinson and seconded by Vicky Reed. Unanimously agreed

**7 Any Other Business**

**7.1 Unpleasant Odour**

Susie asked if anyone else had noticed a really unpleasant acrid smell which comes from the direction of Busheywarren Lane. Sarah Rockley had indeed

smelt it in Bell Lane and it has also been smelt in Herriard. It is not every day and has only been occurring in the last year. It may be from Veolia (though they have been on site 14 years with no such odour to date). It is not muck spreading and the AD plant say it is not them, though Sarah Rockley has been advised the smell may be coming from the AD lagoon.

EVA to circulate AD telephone number in order that residents can contact them as and when they smell the odour.

**ACTION: DEE/ALI**

Residents to contact EVA as incidents arise so that they can be logged.

**ACTION: ALL/TONY**

(Contact TonySimmons: [Tony.Simmons@winchester.ac.uk](mailto:Tony.Simmons@winchester.ac.uk))

## **7.2 Cliddesden Development of 40 Houses**

Debbie Foster asked whether EVA had taken any action regarding the proposed development in Cliddesden. Dee replied that EVA had circulated details of the development with instructions on how individuals could object to it. EVA had also submitted a letter of objection. Dee also confirmed that EVA had offered support/guidance to the Cliddesden Action Group should they require it.

Some discussion around who the 'No to Overdevelopment' group may be, but it is still not clear.

## **7.3 Conservation Area Ellisfield**

Some discussion (raised by Seamus Foster) as to whether the Ellisfield Conservation Area might be extended further to protect the village from future housing developments. Maybe it is time to review it again. Dee will speak to Tim Guinness (Chairman of Ellisfield Parish Council).

**ACTION: DEE**

## **7.4 Kitchen Table Meetings**

Pat Pegg asked if individuals from other villages were welcome at EVA meetings as a lady from Medstead would very much like to attend. Dee answered in the affirmative.

## **7.5 Railway Cycle Track**

Debbie Foster asked if there was any progress on this project. Dee confirmed that we now have maps of the old route and that positive talks had taken place with Basingstoke Cycle Touring Club. However this is a HUGE project and needs more manpower on board to drive it forward – volunteers welcome!!

**Meeting Closed at 8.00pm**

## Annual report of the Ellisfield Village Association 2017

**Welcome everyone** and thank you for coming to support us. Please join us for refreshments after the business is finished.

Firstly I would like to thank all the committee and friends for their work over the past year. We live in a small village and everyone is busy on other committees or with work of their own so I appreciate the support they have shown to EVA but more importantly Ellisfield's environment over the year.

The idea behind EVA has always been to hold expertise on planning issues and to campaign when needed. Our mission is **To Protect, Appreciate and Enhance Ellisfield and its surrounding landscape.**

A lot of the work done under the EVA banner goes unnoticed – a number of us attend regular meetings of the Busheywarren Liaison Panel, chaired by Cllr Anna McNair – Scott. These were set up at our insistence to allow regular monitoring of the three businesses in Busheywarren Lane.

We have found that without the eagle eye of residents such as Susie Deane and Pat Pegg, HCC would not be encouraged to hold the businesses to account on a number of issues such as ecology, traffic and planning conditions.

We are keeping a log of 'near misses' with delivery transport at the junction with the A339 and at the entrances to Veolia and Barfoots. If any of you have a near miss, do let one of us know. We are also interested if you see lorries parked in the lane before or after the facilities close. Take photos if possible.

The children's tea party to celebrate The Queen's Birthday was a great success and we sponsored a magnificent bouncy castle and co-ordinated the tea and cakes to provide a wonderful afternoon of entertainment on the theme of 'Kings and Queens through the ages'.

We do have plans to hold an afternoon of rural crafts aimed at children and teenagers in the village, watch this space for more information on this.

Dee Haas  
Chair



Treasurers report 04.04.17

You will be pleased to hear that I have very little to say this year.

The major event was the Queen's birthday celebrations last year but we talked about that at last year's AGM. You will, no doubt, recall that EVA provided the bouncy castle for the event.

It was a poor year for the collection of subscriptions but the account is still very healthy with in excess of £1000 in the bank. But a new year has commenced and I am afraid that it is time to dip into your pockets again so please feel free to see me after the meeting to reinforce the coffers – I will be more than happy to separate you from your hard earned pennies.

Thank you all for your continuing support