

SUMMERSDALE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Committee Meeting held on 7 January 2016

At St Michael's Hall

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Residents Working Together

Present: Mrs Sue Spooner – Vice Chairman Mike Steel - Webmaster
Mrs Janet Leonard (Minutes Secretary) Dennis Martin – Goodwood Liaison
Peter Bickley – Treasurer Trevor Owen - Assistant Planning Secretary
Andrew Birch – Planning Secretary

1. **Welcome to members attending.**

SS welcomed members attending, Mr Ray Carter & Mrs Hannelore Thomas

2. **Apologies for absence**

Received from Roger Hobbs, Michael Berry, Vanessa Stern and Mary Quiney.

3. **Minutes of meeting held on Thursday 26 November 2015**

DM asked for a note to be added regarding his meeting on 30 October 2015 with Mark Gibb, Airfield Operations Manager at Goodwood, and the existing note was amended.

4. **Any matters arising from the minutes not covered below.**

None.

5. **Chairman's Report**

In the absence of the chairman, SS commented on the various meetings RH had attended with various parties in connection with the proposed new A27 northern or southern by-pass, and there followed a general discussion of the merits of both schemes. It was agreed that the SRA would take no action until further information on the various options was to hand, at which time an emergency committee meeting would be held to discuss the way ahead. SS said that it would be beneficial if we worked in conjunction with other interested parties, eg Lavant residents and Lord March.

SS reported that RH had asked whether all existing committee members would be willing to stand again, and all said that they would.

Lavant Road Surgery and improvements to the Rugby Club. No new developments.

Newsletter – now completed. SS reported that RH commended all involved in an excellent production.

Rousillon Barracks development. Progressing up to schedule.

Colton Care Home, Wellington Road/Broyle Road. Due to open 1 April. SS to ask whether SRA representatives can have a tour when the building is open.

6. **Treasurers Report**

Current A/c

Lloyds TSB Treasurer's A/c	£3,248.55 including £241.66 RAGE2 and £75.10 Network of Chichester Residents Associations
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Interest bearing a/cs:

United Trust Bank – 40 day notice at 1.5%	£10,065.83
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Lloyds TSB Business Instant Access	£0.01
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PB tabled draft accounts for the year ended 31.12.15 and gave some explanatory information on the sums contained therein. The increased surplus of £1,306.04 is due to lower expenditure on trees, lower cost of the newsletter and of public liability insurance. DM queried the zero charges for stationery and postage and PB reported that the only claims by committee members for reimbursement were for newsletter distribution. The accounts were agreed as presented and PB will give them to SRA's independent accounts examiner Mr John Wilford for review. JW may be moving, so a new examiner may have to be appointed; this can be discussed at the upcoming AGM. JW will be attending the AGM and a vote of thanks will be made to him for his services. The question of the condition of the SRA notice boards was mentioned as we do now have sufficient funds to replace them if required, and Ray Carter said he had an acquaintance who could provide a quote to do so, and he will contact him.

7. **Membership Secretary's Report**

No report by VS, membership secretary. However, PB reported that the Treasurers A/c balance had increased by £1,559 since 1.1.16 which suggested that 424 subscriptions paid by standing order.

8. **Website Webmasters Report**

MS reported that an email concerning the proposed A27 by-pass was sent and 68% of recipients opened it, with over 30 following the link to the Chichester Deserves Better site. An archive page has now been created. Pictures taken from a plane landing on runway 6 at Goodwood have been added to the website showing the

flight path. A link to the CDC website has been included so that residents can check their refuse bin collection dates. 271 people access the website in December, up from 185 in November. The website name has to be renewed every 2 years. This is now due and has been paid.

9. **Planning Matters**

AB reported that SRA has raised no objections to the change of use of the former **Cherries** residential facility to a childrens' nursery as the staggered arrival and departure times of preschool children would not cause concentrated traffic congestion. The new owners of the Cherries have objected to the construction of 8 terraced houses and a coach house on the site of the adjacent property known as **Primrose Cottage** as the coach house would overlook the new nursery. Highways have not objected. Ray Carter said that they had not objected on the grounds of traffic accidents, although there have been incidents historically, only on the fact that the coach house constitutes overdevelopment. SRA would not object to the proposed remaining 8 terraced properties on the site. **Lever House** proposed development is being monitored. **11 Broyle Close** proposed 7 bedroom student accommodation. CDC have objected to this proposed development and it was agreed that SRA would do the same. AB to implement. **Roman Fields** phase 2. On the initial plan for this phase, access through to Centurian Way was shown, although this appears to have been dropped. The garage used by St Wilfrids Hospice as their shop will probably form phase 3, as the lease runs out in less than 2 years. SRA would raise no objection as it is a brownfield site. TO said that three houses were proposed on the **Graylingwell** development, with two fronting onto Summersdale Road with access thereto. However, Ray Carter reported that planning permission for two previous properties had been refused.

10. **Newsletter**

No report from MQ. However, a draft of the newsletter has been seen and approval given all round, especially for the map included therein. The newsletter is to be distributed next week, to give plenty of notice of the upcoming AGM.

11. **AGM 18 February 2016**

Organisation for the AGM is well under way. MQ has ordered the food, and SS asked PB to source sparkling wine and glass hire. The venue is booked. PB will chair for the re-election of the chairman. Mrs Hannelore Thomas agreed to stand for election to the committee as a member without portfolio. SS asked committee members to arrive at the venue by 6.30pm to help with preparations. The guest speaker this year will be Kate Bourne, the Police and Crime Commissioner.

12. **Updates from Representatives**

- a) Dennis Martin – Goodwood Consultative Group Meeting and recent follow up meetings
DM met with Mark Gibb, Airfield Operations Manager, along with RH and two Summersdale residents, a report on which appears in the newsletter along with a map. PB reported that he had phoned the aircraft movement hotline following a low-flying aircraft, but had not received a great deal of help. DM gave the dates of upcoming events at Goodwood. The GRRC members meeting is 19-20 March, the Festival of Speed is 23-26 June and the Revival meeting is 9-11 September. All dates are also in the newsletter.
- b) Sue Spooner – NCRA update and Graylingwell. Nothing to report.

13. **AOB**

SS reported that RH has asked North Ward councillors to attend the AGM and that they may choose to speak on the question of the proposed improvements to the A27. Jeremy Hunt (WSCC) and Tony Dignum Leader, CHC) will be attending. Jeremy Hunt has been promoted within the WSCC to a Cabinet Member for Finance, and it was agreed that SRA should pass on our congratulations to him. Mrs Hannelore Thomas reported that a friend of hers had contacted a website known as Fix My Street, who are to contact CDC concerning the future of the former Comme Ca building. She to report back when information is to hand.

14. **Date of next committee meeting.**

Thursday 25 February 2016.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.50pm.

The Chairman and members of the committee would like to extend a warm welcome to any members of the SRA who would like to attend any of the committee meetings, especially if they have any relevant issues they wish to discuss.