



Our bank balance is £1,616.00 greater than at 31.12.18 which means over 320 of our members have paid their subscriptions by standing order.

8. **Membership Secretary's Report**

On behalf of VS, SS reported that there are now 427 households who are members of SRA. MQ asked how many newsletters she should ask to be printed, and MB said that 500 would be required.

9. **Webmasters Report**

There were a total of 406 hits on the website in both November and December, a fact that seemed somewhat suspiciously consistent, but was confirmed as correct by MS from the statistics reported.

10. **Planning matters**

SS reported on behalf of RH. There has been a variation submitted to the plan for 21 Lavant Road, although no detail is forthcoming as yet. RH has sent a report to MQ for inclusion in the newsletter concerning the demolition of large houses and the construction of flats on the site, a state of affairs generally seen as detrimental to the image of Summersdale. JL expressed the view that it was unreasonable to expect someone to continue to live in a large, old-fashioned property they could not sell or afford to maintain just because residents liked to see it in their neighbourhood, such as the Arts and Crafts house recently demolished to make way for apartments. More smaller homes are needed in the area generally, and many of the older properties that have been demolished have made way for very stylish large new homes that have added to the appearance of Summersdale and enhanced property values generally. MQ asked whether the demolition of larger properties could be stopped, and Peter Budge said that making Summersdale a conservation area was probably the only way this would be achieved. A report has been prepared by the Conservation Area Committee and Peter Budge undertook to get a copy. CDC had previously said that an assessment of Summersdale together with Graylingwell would be undertaken in 2016, but this has now slipped back to 2019/20 as there are no conservation staff to do the necessary work. It was noted that Whyke has newly granted conservation status, so we should keep up pressure regarding Graylingwell and Summersdale. MQ said that RH had written an article for the newsletter to say when and where we can attend meetings on the **local plan**. Concern was expressed again regarding traffic trying to enter and exit the Summersdale garage. Planning permission for an improvement to exit and enter has been applied for. RH to be asked to submit a suggestion to WSCC that the speed limit between Lavant and the garage should be 40mph, as is the case on the B2178 from Chichester to East Ashling.

11. **Newsletter**

Items for the newsletter were finalised. MB asked when the newsletter would be available for distribution, and MQ confirmed that it would be towards the end of week commencing Monday 7 January, and will consist of 8 pages.

12. **Goodwood Liaison Report – Dennis Martin**

DM reported that the newsletter would report that a meeting was planned with the Operations Manager of the airfield to see how aircraft are controlled and how difficult it might be for the controllers to track aircraft. A group of four representatives of SRA will attend, with a date yet to be set. DM to chase for confirmation of this date, with the end of the month more suitable so that RB can attend.

13. **AOB**

MQ asked whether there was confirmation of any SRA committee meeting dates after July. SS said that the dates of the school terms were required to be able to set these meetings as they could clash with other users of the hall. She to check the WSCC website for the term dates.

Jean Goddard said that the fence across the path between Winterbourne Road and Graylingwell had been erected by Linden Homes. She spoke to the Community Development Trust who confirmed that the fence will not remain in place. She will monitor.

14. **Date of next meeting**

**AGM Thursday 21 February 2019**

**There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.20pm**