

SUMMERSDALE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Meeting held at St Paul's Church, Chichester, West Sussex

7.00pm Monday 28 March 2022

Residents Working Together

Present: Mrs Vanessa Stern – Acting Chairman Mrs Janet Leonard – Minutes Secretary
Mr Roy Littleford – Goodwood Liaison Mr Peter Bickley – Treasurer/Asst. Minutes Sec.
Mrs Mary Quiney – Newsletter Mrs Jill Shaw – Raughmere and A27
Mr Ray Carter – Environment & Trees Mrs Sara Wain – Assistant Planning Secretary
Mrs Pauline Sutton – Membership Secretary Mr John Halliday – Planning and character appraisal

1. Welcome

VS welcomed all members attending, and WSCC member Mr Jeremy Hunt.

2. Apologies - Received from Mike Steel

3. Chairman and Vice Chairman

Vs announced that as she was standing down at the AGM, Jill Shaw had volunteered to take over as Chairman and Sara Wain to take over as vice-Chairman. JS said she was not available to attend the next of 9 May, and as she would be chairman at that time suggested moving the meeting to 16 May. JS and SW to arrange this and confirm.

4. Approval of minutes of meeting of 10 January 2022

RL said that a resident who lived in March Square objected to that address appearing in the minutes in relation to a complaint about the Goodwood Airfield. It was decided that the address would remain in the minutes.

5. Matters arising not covered below - None

6. Open Forum

No members of the public attended the meeting, so there were no items to raise at the open forum.

7. Chairman's Report

Vs reported that Councillor Maureen Corfield telephoned her today to say that following the information from the SRA about the speed watch signs, she had set up a speed watch group who have now been trained. She also said that there is an initiative to make the whole of Chichester a 20mph zone, and this will include Broyle and Lavant Road. A line of blue pegs has appeared north to south along the field next to Marchwood and there was speculation that this could denote a possible new building development.

8. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Account at Lloyds Bank	£2,822.14 including £75.10 held for NCRA
Lloyds Bank Business Instant Access A/c	£0.01
Hampshire Trust Bank	£14,683.11

The public liability insurance with Zurich has been renewed at a premium of £96, the same as last year. Finalised accounts for the year ended 31/12/21 had be circulated and will be agreed at the AGM.

VS said that estate agents Fine & Country had an advertising notice in the notice board at a cost of £5 per month. VS also said that the Little Free library Book Exchange in Summersdale Road were hoping to set up a second little hut for children's books and suggested SRA help with a contribution. It was agreed that £100 would be offered. PS said that perhaps The Men's Shed organisation could help with construction.

9. Membership Secretary's Report

426 members. 7 members have not paid and this will be investigated. One member paid £10 in the hope that the extra money could go towards the planting of a tree.

10. Planning Report and Chichester Neighbourhood Plan Workshop

The principal items for attention were:

20/02675/OUTEIA Outline Planning Application from Berkeley Strategic Land. 140 dwellings at Raughmere. The appeal hearing took place via Zoom in February with good representation from local people. The Planning Inspector was impressed with the strength of feeling expressed. Decision awaited.

20/02824/OUT 165 houses north of Madgwick Lane. Appeal lodged and concluded last August. Decision pending relating to CDC's updated housing land supply report.

Lavant Road. No. 10 and No. 23. Work is underway despite no decision made. Planning permitted on no. 10 subject to S106. 19/02241/FUL Glenmar House, Brandy Hole Lane. Demolition of existing building and construction of 6 flats with car parking and external work. Decision awaited.

Committee members Ray Carter and Sara Wain attended a Steering Group meeting of the North Ward to begin production of a Chichester Neighbourhood Plan. Attendees included CFT, Chichester Rugby Club, Transition Chichester, Rousillon Park Committee, Graylingwell Park Development Committee, SRA, Chichester WI and Chichester City Councillors. The aim was to seek democratic, evidence-based opinion and guidance from these local groups and businesses. A report was circulated with further detail of the meeting, which looked at planning, landscaping, architecture, culture and engineering.

JH asked Mr Jeremy Hunt if a decision had been made about possible closure of Brandy Hole Lane to through traffic now that the Whitehouse Farm development is well under way. It is probable that bollards will be sited at the end of Old Broyle Road. Mr Hunt also said that the WSCC budget for the year had been finalised and the finances are in good shape. The government had been generous with help due to the covid pandemic with money being passed to care homes. Help for children with special educational needs is now the next financial hurdle to cross. New adult social care is being put in place. The community hub was winding down as the pandemic was easing, but the situation in Ukraine is likely to pose new problems to overcome. RC asked whether the Whitehouse Farm development will include a school, and Mr Hunt said that a one-form entry school will be built with provision to expand to a two-form entry school if necessary. No medical centre is planned as funding from the NHS is not forthcoming.

11. Environmental Report

Full report submitted. RC attended the Chichester Neighbourhood Plan meeting with SW. He also attended a meeting with Chichester Tree Wardens Group to agree strategies going forward. A planting scheme known as Milwaukee Planting is recommended for Summersdale Copse which involves close planting to give trees protection from severe weather. SRA tree planted on the Green in Highland Road blew over in the recent storm and was removed by CDC.

Concerning pollution of the River Lavant, VS spoke to Southern Water who said one house had a sewage blockage. She then spoke to the environment department who said they needed lots of reports, so she alerted as many walkers as she met. She then contacted Offwat where she was told to complain to CCW, who suggested she complain in writing to Southern Water, so no meaningful result was obtained. Jeremy Hunt said that when the original daffodil development was first put forward, one of the objections was that there was no capacity at the Lavant sewage works. When the second application was made, it was stated that there was capacity at the works. The recent pollution incidents suggest that there is not. There are settlement tanks in the area which take solids out of the system but still allow pollutants to enter the water.

12. Webmaster's Report

Website hits January 495, February 601. Last email sent 28 January to 381 recipients, 77.6% of whom opened it.

13. Goodwood Report

RL reported that the main events for this year are members meeting 9-10 April, Festival of ~Speed 23-26 June, Cycling event 6-7 August and the Revival 16-18 September. The runway extension and reduction of tree height will now not take place until next year due to delays caused by Covid. Runway 1028 will be closed from 21 March to 22 April, and runway 1024 will be closed from 7 to 11 April. The members meeting of 9-10 April will include a firework display on 9th. Another Spitfire will be based at the airfield. A further event for 8-10 July will be the Air Race World Championship, to be held at the racecourse. There is no intention to return the heliport to the racecourse as it will be kept operational at the airfield. There is still no report available on the fatal accident. The number of aircraft movements in 2021 was at the same level recorded in the years 2000 to 2004. This was thought to be due to the stay at home policy and increase in disposal income. Regarding flightpaths, Goodwood can ask and request that the aircraft attempt to fly in the designated paths but cannot demand that they keep to these routes. RL asked that members give SRA feedback and comments on any improvements or otherwise regarding the air traffic movements and also comments on the general motorsport noise or other events. If members feel they are not receiving responses from Goodwood, please let SRA know and they can be followed up at our meetings with Goodwood.

14. Newsletter and revision of promotional leaflet

VS asked for a vote of thanks to MQ for another excellent newsletter. MQ announced that she intended to resign from the committee due to other commitments but would, if required, continue to produce the newsletter. If someone else was found who would like to produce the newsletter she would help with a handover to them. She said that she would attend a committee meeting before the production of the newsletter to get any information relevant. VS said she would ask at the AGM if there were any volunteers for this duty. On the matter of the promotional leaflet, MQ will work with SW to update this as agreed.

15. AGM Arrangements

MQ said that some people might not be happy to stay behind at the AGM for drinks and canapes, and VS to ask MS to circulate an email to members to canvas opinion on this matter. MQ said she had checked the Waitrose website for party food and it appears much more notice is required to pre-order items. VS ran through the AGM agenda. The number of councillors to speak was discussed, and it was suggested that the councillors themselves decide which of them should speak. Jeremy Hunt for WSCC and Tony Dignum for Chichester City Council would speak as usual. Speaking time would be limited. The room would be set up lengthways, with visitors arriving through the front doors, two sign-in tables located inside the doors, the seating arranged at that end of the room with the speakers and committee at the other, and food and drinks in the side room through the double doors. MQ asked for volunteers to help prepare and plate up the food (JL and PS) and JH volunteered to help PB with the drinks. PCSO Jason Lemm can set up his equipment for his talk at the far end. JS will give a vote of thanks to him. AS VS is retiring as chairman and JS taking over, she will be elected and then the rest of the committee re-elected en bloc.

16. Date of next meeting

AGM 27 April 2022, 7.30pm at St Pauls Church. Next committee meeting 16 May (to be confirmed as changed from 9 May) 7.00pm at St Pauls Church.

17. Meeting closed at 9.15pm