

BVS Meeting 8.00pm. Thursday October 1st. 2009
Minutes

1. Apologies
Present. Des Parker, Murray Campbell, Nigel Roberts, Ian Purser, Phil Scattergood, David Baldwin and Paul Thompson, who apologised for being a little late.
Apologies. Jill Lye – away, Joe O’Connell – Fireworks meeting, Muna Roberts – professional meeting, Charles Pearson – Unwell.
2. Minutes of September Meeting already circulated.
After correction of a couple of minor typing errors they were duly signed as a fair record.
3. Matters Arising.
Civic Trust initiative. Phil briefly explained that due to the National Civic Trust going into administration, the initiative was looking to see if a National Body was required and if so what it should do and how it should be financed. A brief report by Phil who attended, on the meeting is attached. The general feeling was that such a body was needed to record and encourage co-operation between all the local Civic Societies, Residents associations and other bodies with similar or overlapping interests. Formal proposals early in 2010 would it was hoped result in a replacement body by Easter 2010.
The Committee thanked Phil for circulating the information, from Ann Milton, at the meeting that the Waverly Council refusal of the Dunsfold Plan had been confirmed by the Secretary of State the previous Friday.
4. Sub – Committee’s Reports etc.
Parish Plan. – Murray reported that the questionnaires had gone out to the distributors and it was planned to get the returns to the analysis firm by mid November.
Bramley Wheels – David reported that they had recruited two new ‘Duty Officers’ 2-3 more drivers in response to the various advertising initiatives. The Finance was O.K. - most people were paying the minimum Donation or more and where appropriate - the Duty Officers or Drivers knew the passengers circumstances - the service was free.
5. Planning
Village Scene. Due to the absence of Charles this was left till the next meeting. Murray confirmed that apart from an in principle idea no action or definite plans had yet been made.
Ian Purser lead us through the current applications.
He noted that on the website arboculturist items were not available.

2009/10070 Trees on St Catherines land around the War memorial.
4 trees had been requested for felling but no reason given. Murray confirmed that as a Governor he understood that they were a danger to the public. The Committee felt that as the Arbocultural Officer would be involved they would concur with his recommendations.

WA/2009/1349 Pilgrims Cottage Eastwood Rd.
Erection of a first floor extension.
The Committee discussed the details of this application but had no objection.

WA/2009/Grafham Grange Room.
Erection of a single storey storage extension, paved terrace, retractable awnings and a replacement shed.
The Committee had no objection to this slightly smaller and less obtrusive extension.

WA/2009/1292 The Laurels, High St.
Revision of design for loft conversion with dormer window. The committee noted that the dormer was now all glass but as it was almost invisible from anywhere they continued to have no objection.

WA/2009/1282 Honey mead Barn, Gate St., Erection of double Garage and Stable building.
As this was a renewal of WA/2006/1695 which had been granted, but not built, no objection!

WA/2009/1264 No 3 Old Grinstead. Retention of decking with change of use of residential curtilage.
Decking has extended to land which is legally an attached 'paddock' and not the Garden. The Committee had no real objection but felt it should be left to Waverley's experts.

WA/2009/1254 Grafham Grange School. Installation of automatic gates.
As these were to be set back from the A281 to avoid 'backing up' and were for School Security the Committee had no objection.

WA/2009/1230 8 Linersh Drive,
Application for a Certificate of Lawfulness under section 192 for Dormer window and replacement conservatory.
As these appeared to comply with the Current Legislation for permitted development, the Committee noted that they would 'overlook' the nearby houses. Whilst they felt they were approaching the maximum size, it was very much a matter for the neighbours.

6. Correspondence

Surrey Matters from SCC

Branch Bulletin from CPRE Surrey.

Phil reported that he had skimmed these and did not see any matters for urgent comment or action. The Committee after a brief discussion felt that

in principle this process is one they would support and did not require expansion!

They however agreed that as a Society joining the CPRE '100 Club' was a practical support measure that they thought we should adopt and the Secretary was instructed to organise this with the Treasurer!

7. Treasurers Report

In the absence of the Treasurer they noted that the Ploughman's (see events below) made about £136, details as per the email already circulated.

8. Area Representation

Murray confirmed that all areas had nominated representatives for delivery purposes, though some areas were rather large and the existing representatives had been requested to look for assistance for future tasks.

9. Amenities.

Working Parties. All welcome.

9.30am on Sunday 15th November outside Saddlers!

10.00am on Saturday 31st of October in the Cemetery for cleaning up before the winter.

10. Events

Ploughman's

Jill Lye had circulated a summary of how things went, for information and as a basis for next year.

In discussion it was agreed that we were disappointed by the attendance, especially the minimum number of School Parents and Elderly, very impressed with the food and had noted the other points in her memo.

It was hoped that the improved food, would encourage people next year and the Location would hopefully be closer to the centre as even the 'Car Service' had not been fully successful.

Jill managed to avoid wastage by disposing of the excess food etc to Committee Members to be used personally and the School (With a contribution from the PTA) for an upcoming function. All excess non – degradable items were being stored by Murray for future use.

Murray said that he was disappointed that the plans/model for the new School Hall were not available.

The Secretary was asked to write a formal letter to Jill and her team to thank them for all their efforts. He was also asked to similarly thank Simon Thrower for his excellent sign which he had donated to the BVS.

Bonfire.

Murray was able to confirm that the leaflets had been passed out to the distributors hopefully enabling them to combine delivery with the 'Reminder Visit' for the Parish Plan! All other matters were in the hands of the Bonfire Committee who say most things are on track and they are hoping for good weather. After last years poor weather they are reverting to the traditional track to the main gate and had agreed in principle to compensate Trevor Telling for the damage to the field on that occasion.

The bonfire builders have completed the first layer but extra volunteers are always welcome.

11. Parish Council Matters

Nothing significant to report

12. A.O.B

Murray felt he was now able to explain, that the Governors were supporting the 'Container' concept which would produce the best internal space, best natural lighting, with an exterior which would meld in, but at the most competitive price. The Diocese was currently considering it's attitude to this proposal. The School meanwhile was gearing up for a major fund raising exercise – the current target being £300,000. The Question of the proposed cancellation of the 'Pegasus' school bus service was raised. The committee unanimously supported the excellent letter in the Surrey Advertiser from Rachael Hill and felt that we should do all in our power to ask SCC to reconsider this matter.