

Picket Piece Residents' Association

Minutes of meeting - Wednesday 15th April 2020

Attendees :

- Chris Parker (Interim Chairperson)
- Andrew Perry
- Chris Grant
- Keith Rackham
- Michael Lees
- Pippa Hulme
- Tom Stevenson

Agenda :

1. Welcome and introductions
2. Update from last meeting
3. Discussion of , and designation of, available committee roles
4. Feedback on first draft of constitution
5. Discussion of governing bodies
6. Discussion on development of www.PicketPiece.org
7. Social Media accounts
8. Discussion of membership & funding
9. Corona Virus support group update
10. Discussion of Neighbourhood watch scheme
11. Sub-committee for planning applications
12. Sub-committee for Remus
13. Future Events
14. AOB

Discussion :

1. At the previous meeting, there was concern about the poor quality of lighting and footpaths in the village, as well as speeding in the village. It was agreed that funding for these issues should be investigated, and that it would be worthwhile to do a Brainstorming session with residents at the next General meeting.
2. Andrew Perry volunteered to become Interim Vice Chairperson, Keith Rackham volunteered to become interim Treasurer and Pippa Hulme volunteered to become interim Secretary. Michael Leese brought up the idea of a 'conservation/Environmental' role and volunteered to take on this role.
3. The first revision of the Residents' Association constitution was discussed and feedback was received, it was agreed that these comments would be incorporated into the first proper issue, once the committee is formalised, later on in the summer.
4. Tom and Michael talked through their development of www.PicketPiece.Org
5. Membership of the Residents' Association will be free to everyone who lives in the village, to encourage maximum participation. Funding will be explored separately.
6. A Corona Virus Support Group was set up in mid-March, in excess of 800 leaflets were delivered in the village. More than 50 volunteers offered to help out where required. A 'pub quiz' is ran on Friday evenings, hopefully other events will start up too. Grants have been received from Test Valley Borough Council and Andover Town Council to assist the Corona Virus support group.
7. It was agreed that a Neighbourhood watch scheme would be beneficial in the village, and this would be put before residents at the next General meeting.
8. Social media accounts have been set up, it was agreed that this probably isn't a role sufficient for one person, all members of the committee can have access if they wish. Once the lockdown is over, these will become more active, in an attempt to increase engagement with the Residents' Association.
9. As well as adding a 'Planning' section to www.PicketPiece.org , It was agreed that it would be beneficial to have a sub-committee dedicated to Planning Application queries.
10. The issue of Remus as a 'Management Company' was deemed to warrant its own group, however as this issue doesn't affect the whole village, this will be set up outside of the Residents' Association.

Action Items :

1. Federation of Residents Associations – look into for guidance and costs. (Michael)
2. Speak to Town Council regarding funding (Chris G)
3. Investigate National lottery funding for RA Grant (Michael)
4. Follow up leaflet. Opt in for further leaflets/newsletters. Put website on. (Chris to rehash and send to group).
5. Membership form. Membership for S&S. Box collection at Post Office/Pavillion. (Chris/Tom).
6. Speak to Simon Potter about whether PPRA can use the Village Hall notice board. Currently there is broken glass in box (Keith)
7. Neighbourhood watch scheme.(Michael) Ask Tim about Picket Twenty (Chris).
8. Email Gmail Account details to committee (Chris)
9. Google Drive API - to store PPRA documents on Google drive (Tom/Michael)

Date of next Committee Meeting : Wednesday 13th May 19:00 - 21:00 (Webex)