

Picket Piece Residents Association

Minutes of meeting online – 1st April 2021 on Webex

Attending: Chris Parker (CP) Pippa Hulme (PH) Chris Grant (CG) Tom Stevenson (TS) Keith Rackham (KR) John Aslett (JA) Cllr Nick Lodge (NL)

Apologies: Judy Marr (JM), Margaret Hughes (MH)

- 1) NL joined us to update and confirm the One-Stop application is going through, rumours about a Chinese takeaway are currently unfounded, but to keep an eye on the Test Valley Planning Portal for information. Also the Village Hall has had its planning permission approved.
- 2) Update from last meeting:
 - Community Garden Group update: CP has spoken to a few people who expressed an interest in getting involved. Need to create a questionnaire to find out what people would like to see. Will need to further investigate funding. Is an ongoing process.
 - Neighbourhood Watch Group update: Following a Facebook post last year, some people did email the local scheme to express an interest in it, CP has emailed Steve Hysted (Andover and villages co-ordinator) for another chat. Andrea Harris (TVBC) recently let CP know about a new local PCSO, CP has emailed them about both this and the Road Safety Group.
 - Road Safety Group Update: Want to get this up and running, consider a dedicated Facebook group/page. JA pointed out need to get an outline of what we need to do to get the working group going. JA had a chat with Mandy Taylor (TVBC) and normally to get things done and in place, we need to have documented proof of issues within the village, like speeding, accidents and near misses. Hoping the speed indicators will record the speeding issues, and hopefully people will record near-misses etc to the group to build cases. PH mentioned the risk of crossing the Ox Drove road from the football field to the meadow with a pram and young child in tow, (there is approval for a ramp from the field to the road by TVBC) JA mentioned he met a surveyor working on behalf of Hampshire County Council whom indicated a crossing may be put in place but unsure of full details at this time.
 - Baby and Toddler Group update: CP and PH are in conversation with Iona, Andrea and Alison re the current set up, public liability etc. An appeal for volunteers went to the Facebook groups and they are planning on having a meeting after the Easter holiday.
 - Drop in sessions – PH received an email from Judy, expressing an interest in helping where she can. At the moment covid still prevents these from taking place. Judy also mentioned a potential idea of a coffee morning to allow more people within the village to meet up.
- 3) Future events – currently on hold due to covid.
- 4) AOB – MH in her apology email mentioned litter picking, Shelley Read has been organising. May be worth approaching to organise regular picks within the PPRA umbrella, with dates decided in advance and put onto the website/Facebook page, and regular updates and promotion to get people involved in the spirit of the community.

Next meeting to be held Thursday 6th May 2021 – webex meeting
Please send any points to be raised to Pippa Hulme - secretary@picketpiece.org