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## Horndon Society/Community Forum Minutes of meeting held 6th July 2011

**Present:** Jane Barry Chair  
 Mike Tarbard Treasurer  
 Linda Carrington, Peter Woodard, Beverley Richardson, Alan Pollington, Peter Belsham, Deirdre Graham, Helen Gray, Maggie Nash, Bernadette Wakeling, Sue Hughes, Cliff Owen.

**Apologies:** Kim Towlson, Kevin O'Keeffe, Dave Gray, Judy Rood

Item	Action
<p><b>1. Minutes of Previous Meeting</b></p> <p>a. Meeting commenced 8.00pm. Jane thanked everyone for attending. The minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved.</p> <p>b. A vote was taken re meeting in August = 12:1 against.</p>	<p><b>LC to make amendments to item 5c.</b></p>
<p><b>2. Matters Arising</b></p> <p>a. Mike attended a meeting of Thurrock Bus Users Group and put our points to them. Services are to be reviewed Dec 2011. John Pope, Head of Passenger Transport (Essex CC) wants to re-survey Horndon residents who signed the objections petition. He will be drawing up proposals for re-routing and will advise MT when done.</p> <p>b. Alleyways clean up was done within 10 days of reporting to Council. Cliff enquired as to who is responsible for St Peter's Passage. He is aware of drug taking activity and damage to street lighting. He was given the contact details for PC Sargeant.</p>	<p><b>Mike will report on developments</b></p> <p><b>Mike subsequently discovered it is Council responsibility</b></p>
<p><b>3. Chairperson's Report</b></p> <p>a. Last month's Art Exhibition raised £200 for Society/Forum funds.</p> <p>b. Jane says we need a Social Committee, as Essex on Tour are keen on promoting more events. Anyone interested, please attend a meeting at her house on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July at 11am. Classical concert offered for October.</p> <p>c. Coffee morning in aid of the Music Society on Sat 9<sup>th</sup> July 9.30 – 12.30. Planning meeting at Jane's on 7<sup>th</sup> at 11am, helpers please attend.</p> <p>d. Dartford Crossing charges are to rise in Dec and in 2012 to fund future improvements. There is reference to the proposed Second crossing options. Details can be found on government website = <a href="http://www.dft.gov.uk/consultations/dft-2011-08/">http://www.dft.gov.uk/consultations/dft-2011-08/</a></p>	
<p><b>4. Vice Chair Report</b></p> <p>Kim's email to be read in relevant items.</p>	
<p><b>5. Treasurer's Report</b></p> <p>a. Mike reported total funds at bank of £2,796.51 broken down as Society = NS&amp;I £1,030.36, Santander £1,212.89(current) £35.91 (deposit), Forum = Barclays £415.68, Petty Cash £101.67. We have received £168 admin fee from the Council, £200 from art event, £37 from sale of books at Feast and Fayre. Outgoings are £115.20 for hanging baskets for Woolmarket.</p> <p>b. Thurrock Association of Forums now has it's own constitution. There is a suggestion we join CVS (it's free) for advice and liaison with Council. Mike passed registration forms to Jane.</p> <p>c. Mike suggests membership of RCCE may be more appropriate to the Village Hall Committee.</p>	<p><b>Thanks to Paul W for providing baskets at cost price.</b></p>
<p><b>6. Feast and Fayre</b></p> <p>a. The Feast and Fayre went very well this year. Local feedback has been very positive – "the best one for years". The event was extremely well attended and provided a good selection of stalls. It was decided to send a letter of thanks to the F&amp;F Committee for their hard work.</p> <p>b. Kim is working on holding a Winter Fair on 4th December with the</p>	<p><b>JB</b></p>

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Woolmarket and Village Hall having both been booked. Contact Kim for more details = 07770 273640.	
<b>7. Gardeners' Club</b> a. The team worked extremely hard at High House, providing cream teas, selling plants and second hand books at the Feast and Fayre. This month's meeting tba.	<b>New members welcome.</b>
<b>8. Police and NHW</b> a. No police representative this month. <b>b. Neighbourhood Watch.</b> Kim has names of co-ordinators for High Road, Orsett Road, South Hill and Hillcrest Road. He is seeking contacts in Mill Lane. c. The police are still investigating tree poisoning at Old House. Anyone with information should contact PC Brownhill. Contact Details for local police:- Tel: <b>0300 333 4444 ext 70164 or 07779 319907.</b> <a href="mailto:orsettntpt@essex.pnn.police.uk">orsettntpt@essex.pnn.police.uk</a> .	
<b>9. Planning</b> a. Rose Valley, York Rd. – Replacement dwelling. b. Oak Apple Lodge – change of use piano storage to dwelling c. London Gateway Port Harbour Assoc compulsory purchase notices for land between the Orsett Cock roundabout and the Manorway roundabout to widen A13. There are no plans on the website and there are conflicting reports as to whether properties will be compulsorily purchased. d. Butts Lane Development letter to be scanned and e-mailed prior to deadline for submitting views. There is to be a Public Enquiry. e. 5 & 6 Saffron Close – Application to fell protected 2 Holm Oak trees and a cypress tree and replace with container grown Silver Birch and similar. Map of conservation area shows it does not include these trees. They are an important feature of this aspect of the village. Removal may destabilise the bank. Vote taken in favour of objections = unanimous.	<b>Contact Council re plans.</b>  <b>Letter to Council Planning</b>
<b>10. Village Enhancement</b> a. Hanging baskets to be put on Woolmarket now that scaffolding has been removed.	<b>Woolmarket Committee to liaise with MT.</b>
<b>11. Any Other Business</b> a. Peter W has updated our website and added back catalogue of minutes. b. Village Guide updated and now ready for proof reading. Helen will co-ordinate any necessary amendments.	

Meeting closed at 9.35pm. Jane thanked everyone for their attendance.

**NEXT MEETING** : 7th Sept 2011 at 8pm – The Woolmarket.

### Agenda – 7<sup>th</sup> September 2011

Apologies for absence

1. Minutes of previous meeting
2. Matters arising
3. Chair Report
4. Vice Chair Report
5. Treasurer Report
6. Feast and Fayre/Winter Fair
7. Gardeners' Club
8. Police and NHW
9. Planning
10. Village Enhancement
11. AOB

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