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Horndon Society/Community Forum Minutes 5th November 2014

Present: Jane Barry Chair
 Mike Tarbard Treasurer
 , Linda Carrington, Lesley Gray, Brian Little, Sue Little, Alan Pollington, Beverley Richardson, Iris Smith, Kim Towlson, Peter Woodard
Apologies: Cheryl Blundell, Paul Clark, Carol Gill, Deirdre Graham, Linda Illing, Judy Rood.

Item	Action
<p>1. Minutes of Previous Meeting Meeting commenced 8.10pm. Jane welcomed all. The minutes for October were approved.</p>	
<p>2. Matters Arising a. Jane reported that a letter of opposition to the proposed development in Lower Dunton Road has been sent to all Councillors and to local papers. Mike suggested contacting CPRE. Peter reported that in response to our Freedom of Information request there is little evidence of factual information on which Council decisions were made, such as suitability criteria, systematic investigation, meetings or working party reports. The Council has postponed the Planning Committee decision in regard to this matter and it is unlikely to be held in December. b. No further progress re Cholley's Farm. Bernadette reports there is now a hole in the roof. c. A128/Orsett Road junction - lines to be re-painted within next 6 weeks. d. Sue Little will request speed limits to be lowered to 20mph through the village on the basis that higher speeds contribute to the break up of road surface. Brian Little reports the school is deemed not to be on a main road, but it can be argued that it is a special circumstance as it is on a bus route.</p>	<p>BW has contacted Council again.</p>
<p>3. Chairperson's Report a. TAF meetings - plan to continue with 4 per year. Representative does not have to be Chairperson. b. "Community hub" policies do not seem to help rural villages. The possibility of using the library van as was discussed, but privacy issues were seen as problematic. (To be discussed again). c. Our refurbished War Memorial is to be re-dedicated at the Remembrance Day service on 9th November. Muster at the Bell car park 10.30 am with service starting at 10.45. Thurrock Rugby Club will host an event "Land of Hope and Glory" from 7-9pm on 11th. d. Autumn Lecture – Walk the World in Thurrock, talk by Ali Pretty was very interesting with a future plan to devise a 100 mile walk in association with the Health Authority.</p>	
<p>4. Vice Chair Report a. Questions the repairs to Orsett Road as simply a "patch-up"? b. There has been some financial contribution to Bulphan community from the Solar Farm on Lower Dunton Road.</p>	
<p>5. Treasurer's Report Funds 2,429.37. £1.68 interest since last month. £50 travel expenses for Autumn Talk agreed</p>	
<p>6. Feast and Fayre Next meeting 9th November at 8pm in The Bell.</p>	<p>New Committee members needed desperately!</p>

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<p>7. Gardeners' Club Next meeting to strengthen planting in hedgerow at the Recreation Ground to be organised when hedging plants arrive..</p>	<p>New members always welcome.</p>
<p>8. Police and NHW a. Contact Details for local police:- Tel:101 for non emergencies. Calls cost 15p 07710 079193 for info and PCSO only attendance. Emergencies should still be reported to 999. orsettnpt@essex.pnn.police.uk Neighbourhood Watch website invites people to sign up to Essex Community News online as this will be replacing existing system. However, there are problems with entering PINs sent out via email.</p>	
<p>9. Planning a. Osborne, Horndon Road – alterations to roof, front dormer window and infill to roof line. b. Junita, Horndon Road – two storey extension, side elevation dormers, front elevation dormers and rain shelter. c. Lanham, Orsett Road – removal of existing 17m monopole and installation of replacement 17.5 monopole and associated works. d. Rawley, High Road – single storey side/rear extension. e. 26 South Hill Crescent – new 4 bedroom dwelling on the site.</p>	<p>Details needed.</p>
<p>10. Village Enhancement a. Badly parked Council vehicle on corner of Hillcrest/GordonRoad. Sue Little has reported it but LC states still there for last two days.</p>	<p>Done.</p>
<p>11. Any Other Business a. Woolmarket Music - Tim Sentence jazz night at Methodist Hall on Wed 11th Nov at 8pm. £5 to non-members. b. Thurrock Food Bank paid job 16 hours per week available. c. New exhibition by local artists at the Swan Gallery until 24nd Nov. Open during pub hours. d. Manorway roundabout signs repainted and are better though not quite right yet. e. North Hill/South Hill drains flooded again. f. Poetry, Music & Food - our Christmas party with members of Gardeners and Music Society to be held in the Woolmarket on 10th December at 8pm. Please bring food and entertainment. Drinks supplied as our contribution.</p>	

Meeting closed at 9.55pm. Jane thanked everyone for their attendance.
NEXT MEETING : 3rd December 2014 at 8pm – The Woolmarket.