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Horndon Society/Community Forum Minutes 4th November 2015

Present: Jane Barry Chair
Lisa Anderson, Linda Carrington, Deirdre Graham, Dave Gray, Cllrs Sue and Brian Little, Alan Pollington, Maggie Nash, Sue Price, Mary Rawlings, Beverley Richardson, Carol Rintoul, Judy Rood, Sarann Thomas, Mike Tarbard, Kim Towlson, Bernadette Wakeling, Peter Woodard.

Apologies: Linda Illing, Nigel Seaman

Item	Action
<p>1. Minutes of Previous Meeting Meeting commenced 8.00pm. Jane welcomed all. The minutes for the previous meeting were approved.</p>	<p><i>Corrections to previous minutes:-</i> Allotment hedge to left of entrance maintained by Brian Allen and his son.</p>
<p>2. Matters Arising a) Bus services. Still problems for passengers - Sue reports 100 service not keeping to timetable so that she missed her connection. Sue asked for details. b) Speed gun training. Kim reported that safe positions for volunteers are still under consideration.</p>	
<p>3. Chairperson's Report a) Copy of our Complaint to the Monitoring Officer re June Planning meeting. b) Dates for Road closures for re-surfacing to be displayed. c) Two job opportunities i) Coalhouse Fort Education officer ii) Apprenticeship at Metal Culture for Idea 13 (linking all communities along the A13) d) We hear reports of great success of the Bulphan Internet Cafe, which is held in the Village Hall every Friday from 2 to 4pm. Sue obtained laptop computers and attendees help each other with online communication and shopping. Attendance growing each week. Benefits include sensible parking for school mothers.</p>	<p>Also on village Facebook page</p>
<p>4. Vice Chair Report: Kim T a) Layby by Orsett Cock Roundabout - Council rejected idea of cutting down trees to improve visibility. It will be a Clearway within a week. b) i) Road works on A128 - Road markings on junction checked by Harlow Police and conform to Highway Code ii) Orsett Road - will be closed to be re-surfaced on 9th and 10th November Contact at Council Alan Brock Engineer in Charge 652573</p>	
<p>5. Treasurer's Report Current assets £2575.29 with proceeds of coffee morning. Mike requests expenses by November meeting to sort finances for year.</p>	
<p>6. Feast and Fayre Meetings will usually be on Second Sunday of each month.</p>	
<p>7. Gardeners' Club Friday 6th visit to Hyde Hall on special free admission day.</p>	<p>New members always welcome.</p>

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<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. Kim has organised a Drop-in NHW meeting for Saturday 14th November 9am to 12 noon. Refreshments will be provided. Local NHW organisers will bring merchandise.</p>	
<p>9. Planning a) Another application to trim and "raise canopy" of Evergreen Oaks at top of South Hill. b) Kennels in Robinson Road/ Blackbush Lane - Enforcement Order in force because of noise from dogs.</p>	
<p>10. Village Enhancement 1) Request for Village Christmas Tree. Discussion followed about possibility of planting one outside Village Hall, where present laurels are to be taken out because they are growing into the underground drainage pipes. 2) Pump Street works seem to be successful in preventing flooding. 3) Litter and leaves - Council sweeper goes down main roads on Fridays. Several people do pick up litter while walking and empty the rubbish collected into their own bins.</p>	
<p>11. Any Other Business a) Woolmarket Music on Wednesday 11th features Sonia Ward in a programme celebrating English Songs. £5 includes refreshments b) Various Coffee Mornings in next few Saturdays c) New exhibition in Swan Gallery by three local painters. Rita is now doing Cream Teas on Tuesday afternoons so visitors can see the art as well. d) Saturday Market once a month in Woolmarket organised by members of the Church (contact Anne Sentance). First one on December 5th 9.30 to 12 e) Reminder of date for Poetry, Music and Food - Christmas celebration for members of the Society/Forum, the Gardeners Club and Woolmarket Music. Wednesday 9th December from 8pm.</p>	

Meeting closed at 9.45pm. Jane thanked everyone for their attendance.

NEXT MEETING : 2nd December 2015 at 8pm – The Woolmarket