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## Horndon Society/Community Forum Minutes 6<sup>th</sup> September 2017

**Present:** Kim Towlson Chair

Lisa Anderson, Peter Belsham, Deirdre Graham, Dave Gray, Cllr Brian Little, Sue Price, Alan Pollington, Mary Rawlings, Beverley Richardson, Carol Rintoul, Judy Rood, Mike Tarbard, Sarann Thomas, Bernadette Wakeling, Peter Woodard

**Apologies:** Dianne Baker, Cllr Sue Little, Maggie Nash, Sarann Thomas,

Item	Action
<p><b>1. Minutes of Previous Meeting</b> Meeting commenced 8.00pm The minutes for the previous meeting were approved.</p>	<p><i>Corrections to previous minutes:-</i> <b>None</b></p>
<p><b>2. Matters Arising</b></p> <p><b>a)</b> Painting:- Woolmarket lobby and stairwell by the Young Offenders:- although started it is now cancelled due to non attendance of the offender and Peter Brainwood is now intending to hire a professional decorator.</p> <p><b>b)</b> Assets of Community Value (ACV) list sent to Thurrock Council but no acknowledgement received even after a chase-up mail. Will pursue this. <b>Ongoing</b></p> <p><b>c)</b> Traffic Speed Sign on Orsett Rd not working. New post now in place but no unit yet fitted</p> <p><b>d)</b> Fly tipping still a problem. still occurring a fridge/freezer has been dumped on bypass. Continue to report immediately to Council hotline</p> <p><b>e)</b> Road signs on Orsett Road knocked down - Council mower operator has mangled ALL signs including smashing the hydrant sign. Reported by KT many times, reputedly "in hand". <b>Being chased</b></p> <p><b>f)</b> 40 mph/National speed limit signs face the wrong way at end of Blackbush lane where it meets Orsett Rd. KT reported. <b>Being chased</b></p> <p><b>g)</b> Inconsiderate parking:- Public Consultation about yellow lines an the High Rd/Hillcrest and Mill Ln/Hillcrest junctions has completed. Lines may be in place by November.</p>	
<p><b>3. Chair's Report</b></p> <p><b>a)</b> Visited Bulphan and Orsett Community Forum meetings..</p> <p><b>b)</b> The Lower Thames Crossing - The Action Group attended a full Council meeting but the Groups question was submitted too late and they were not permitted to make a statement to the full Council meeting. At a later meeting with the Council the Council agreed to form a group to look at ways to mitigate the ill effects caused by route C3. The Action Group will be represented in this group. There is to be a Meeting of the Action Group at Brandon Grove, South Ockendon.</p> <p><b>c)</b> Major traffic disruption in London Road Grays during replacement of gas mains. 5 sections have been completed. 2 are remaining but will be rescheduled later.</p>	
<p><b>4. Vice Chair - Mike Tarbard</b></p> <p><b>a)</b> There was a Bus User Group meeting on 2nd August - nothing to report. The next meeting will be 4th October.</p> <p><b>b)</b> Various emails have been received from Civic Voice</p> <p><b>c)</b> A section of Orsett Road has been resurfaced but the quality is abysmal:- simply sprayed with tar and chippings dropped on top. BL said this surface is more robust than the previous and is an Essex wide method. It take a long time to bed in and road markings will be restored later after bedding in. It was noted that this surface causes much more tyre noise than the previous surface.</p>	

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<p><b>5. Treasurer's Report</b>  <b>a)</b> The funds stand at £2340.69 including £0.28p after interest and the "retrieval" of the £168 admin grant (despite all efforts the Council still sends it to the Feast and Fayre at an old address).  <b>b)</b> Mike raised the issue of renewal of our membership of CPRE(Essex) £36 and Essex Heritage Trust £25, It was decided that to drop the subscription to both but in the case of CPRE send a letter explaining why, namely the complete lack of support over recent issues of building in Green Belt and Crossing C3 also in Green Belt. If CPRE respond with promise of future help we may re-join.</p>	
<p><b>6. Feast and Fayre</b>  Following the AGM there will be an 2018 F &amp; F but more helpers are needed</p>	<p><b>New volunteers always welcome. Next meeting Sunday 10th Sept 8pm in The Bell</b></p>
<p><b>7. Gardeners' Club</b>  Next meeting 26th September 8pm in Woolmarket</p>	<p><b>New members always welcome.</b></p>
<p><b>8. Police and NHW</b>  <b>a)</b> Contact Details for local police:-  Tel:<b>101 for non emergencies. Calls cost 15p 07710 079193 for info and PCSO only attendance. Emergencies should still be reported to 999. <a href="mailto:orsettnpt@essex.pnn.police.uk">orsettnpt@essex.pnn.police.uk</a>.</b>  <b>b) NHW</b> nothing to report  <b>c)</b> Lots of crime incidents in the area including Stolen cars, Theft of fuel and items from shop from A13 Orsett service station area.  <b>d) Community Speed Watch</b> - Training completed and new teams have been out.</p>	
<p><b>9. Planning</b>  <b>a)</b> Trebarwith, Lower Dunton Road 17/00409/TPO  Several trees to be reduced in size to reduce spread over road, one Monterey Cypress tree to be felled.  <b>b)</b> Hill view, Orsett Road 17/00980/PHA  Rear extension with a depth of six metres from the original rear wall of the property, with a maximum height of 3.6 metres and eaves height of 2.6 metres.  <b>c)</b> Woodside, Kirkham Road 17/00984/HHA  Erection of new pitched roof over existing single storey rear extension.  <b>d)</b> Greenfield, Lower Dunton Road 17/00987/HHA  Single storey rear and side extension and loft conversion.  <b>e)</b> Alcott, Oxford Road 17/01058/CONDC  Application for material amendment to replacement dwelling.</p>	
<p><b>10. Village Enhancement</b>  <b>a)</b> The historic finger post at Orsett/Blackbush Lane is looking very dilapidated. Can it be repainted  <b>b)</b> Hanging baskets for the Woolmarket. About time to come down</p>	<p><b>Reported</b></p>

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**11. Any Other Business**

**a)** New signs have been put up saying No Parking on the Manorway slip roads.-**still parking here**

**b)** Still lorries parking in the Old Brentwood Rd by the Orsett Cock Roundabout despite the weight restrictions-**and here**

**c)** Deidre reported a problem about ditches and trees with neighbouring farmer, KT will inspect and meet the farmer on site to try to find an amicable agreement.

**d)** Forthcoming events:-

23 September meet outside the Community Hall on the Bata Esat Tilbury Estate 9:30 for a 10 am Heritage Tour of the Bata Estate followed at 11 am Performance of "The Cobbler's Tale" by the Complete Commedia Company and, for the hardy, an optional extended hike to Leigh on Sea !9 miles!

13 September Woolmarket Music concert

7 October Charity event at the Swan

11 October Woolmarket Music concert

~~2 December Horndon Saturday Market at Woolmarket~~ **Cancelled**

2 December Christmas Craft Market at Village Hall

9 December Orsett Christmas Market

Meeting closed at 8:55pm. Kim thanked everyone for their attendance.

**NEXT MEETING:** 4 October 2017 at 8pm – The Woolmarket

**If unable to attend, please inform Kim Towlson on Mob 07724 848069**