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Horndon Society/Community Forum Minutes 7th February 2018

Present: Kim Towlson Chair

Lisa Anderson, Peter Belsham, Deirdre Graham, Dave Gray, Maggie Nash, Sue Price, Alan Pollington, Mary Rawlings, Beverley Richardson, Carol Rintoul, Judy Rood, Mike Tarbard, Sarann Thomas, Peter Woodard, Kate Williams-Local Area Coordinator. Plus from Thurrock Council:- Julian Howes and Jeanette Kettly

Apologies: Diane Baker, Cllrs Brian & Sue Little

Item	Action
<p>1. Minutes of Previous Meeting Kim T welcomed all & the Meeting commenced 8.05pm The minutes for the previous meeting were approved.</p>	<p><i>Corrections to previous minutes:-</i></p>
<p>2. Julian Howes and Jeanette Kettly had come from the Highways Dept of Council to talk to the meeting on all matters concerning roads. This was to be dealt with first to allow them to depart afterwards. <i>The AGM would follow Item 2 then, after the AGM, the meeting would continue with Item 3</i> Julian presented the Council's views on many matters concerning residents and much discussion ensued. In brief, the following topics were discussed:- a) Buckingham Hill Road-The Council is widening the road to the East close to the A1013 junction. Persimmon Home's, under Section 106 contribution to the community from the Bata Fields development are engaging their own contractor to provide traffic lights and all the other junction modifications. It is hoped the latter will start in Feb 2018 so it proceeds seemingly as a single project. b) A13 widening between the Orsett Cock and Manorway roundabouts. This is being done in stages. There will be no official diversion of traffic through Horndon Village but some road users may take this route, The pedestrian/Bridleway bridge at the foot of Horndon Road, will the new bridge be in place and open before the old one is shut so schoolchildren can still get to and from school? Julian will seek reassurance and report back. c) Brewers Drays blocking High Road for long periods while delivering to pubs. Deliveries must be made in the vicinity of the pub's cellars. This incident is thought to be an isolated case when two deliveries arrived at the same time. The delivery lorries are so big, can smaller lorries be used? Julian says he can speak to the companies if he is told their name (email: jhowes@thurrock.gov.uk). d) Several complaints about footpaths blocked or partially blocked by parked cars: JH confirmed that a vehicle obstructing a path is a Police matter and should be dealt with by the Police. The Council's Parking Enforcement team can only get involved where there are yellow lines on the road as the Council parking restriction covers the width of the highway including paths. e) Large lorries are ignoring weight restrictions on roads. The present restrictions are considered 'historic' as the Police have to follow a vehicle throughout the length of the restriction to prove that it has not made a stop which is allowed in the "except for access" exemption. New legislation had been readied for short restriction 'gateways' that would be easy to police, but the present Government have shown no interest in getting it through parliament. f) Hazard created by large lorries emerging from the loop of the Old Brentwood Road by the Orsett Cock Roundabout. Suggestion that height barriers could be installed. JH: this cannot be done because legally this loop is still a Public Highway. Council are still looking at ways to solve this problem.</p>	<p>JH to find out</p> <p>KT to speak to pub landlords</p>

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<p>3. Matters Arising</p> <p>a) Fly tipping, Blackbush Lane now cleared. Continue to report to Council hotline.</p> <p>c) Road signs on Orsett Road knocked down. Brian Little arranged a site meeting, Council agreed there is a problem that must be resolved, also chevrons at bends to be replaced. Chevron now been graffiti sprayed so provides no warning. Nothing has happened BL to chase.</p> <p>d) 40 mph/National speed limit signs facing the wrong way at end of Blackbush lane.</p> <p>e) The sign on N. Hill warning of the width restriction in the "Hole in the Wall" is damaged, parts missing and needs renewing. It has been replaced on its post.</p> <p>f) Inconsiderate parking:- Yellow lines for the High Rd/Hillcrest and Mill Ln/Hillcrest junctions has completed. Not in place yet but imminent. Will be done shortly when roads are dry.</p> <p>g) 30 mph limit repeater signs on S.Hill, Pump St. Horndon Rd: Not needed as this can be accessed only via 30 mph restricted roads, also spacing of street lamps defines it as a 30mph zone.</p> <p>h) Busses waiting outside school not turning engines off. Last week a bus had engine running for more than 20 minutes.</p>	<p>BL</p> <p>BL</p> <p>KT to mention this to school</p>
<p>4. Chair's Report</p> <p>a) KT attended various other CF meetings. Many have same issues as us but some Forums, E.Tilbury and Corringham have severe anti-social behaviour problems.</p> <p>b) The Lower Thames Crossing. HE may attend March Meeting. When formal consultation starts, everyone please respond as individuals.</p>	
<p>5. Vice Chair - Mike Tarbard</p> <p>a) Busses. Still waiting for a copy of the First Bus enquiry into unreliability.</p> <p>b) Re bus shelter by VH: Still pressing for information regarding bus shelter.</p> <p>c) He notes that St Lukes Hospice reported a operating loss of half a million pounds and that they have said the proposed Lower Dunton Road site will be a £7.3 million facility with a Bistro as well as six beds.</p> <p>d) The Broadband Scheme he was investigating doesn't apply in Thurrock as it is an Essex County Council initiative.</p>	
<p>6. Treasurer's Report</p> <p>a) The funds stand at £2021.94 but still a couple of outstanding cheques to clear. Solvent but not enough for a legal fighting fund.</p>	
<p>7. Feast and Fayre</p> <p>All going to plan. More volunteers would be most welcome.</p>	<p>Next meeting Sunday 18th Feb 8pm in The Bell</p>
<p>8. Gardeners' Club</p> <p>No meeting in February as too cold.</p>	<p>New members always welcome.</p>
<p>9. Police and NHW</p> <p>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. <u>ThurrockCPT@essex.pnn.police.uk</u> (This email is not continuously monitored <i>and we have no evidence that it is ever monitored</i>)</p> <p>b) NHW to be vigilant, lock up, don't make it easy for criminals. AP reports he received a very authentic looking phishing attempt claiming to be an income tax refund.</p> <p>c) Community Speed Watch - Three new volunteers have been recruited, awaiting Police checks.</p>	<p>NHW or ECM Address:- https://www.essexcommunitymessaging.org/</p> <p>Contact independent crime-fighting charity Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111 or www.crimestoppers-uk.org</p>

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<p>10. Planning</p> <p>a) Langdon Hills Golf Club, Lower Dunton Road 18/00036/FUL Proposed alterations to 9th tee including new pond, raising men's tee and relocation of women's tee.</p> <p>b) Langdon Hills Golf Club, Lower Dunton Road 18/00037/FUL Retrospective application for existing practice tee including raising earth by 1.5 metres.</p> <p>c) Blairgowrie Farm, Lower Dunton Road, Bulphan 17/01709/FUL 3 x 4-bedroom detached houses as an extension to previously approved application. <i>This is addition to houses already approved and the layout of the road on the plans would suggest that they are hoping for even more later.</i></p> <p>d) Malgraves Meadow, Lower Dunton Road 18/00082/FUL Retention of the existing single storey timber building for use in association with agricultural enterprise at the farm. Removal of blue on roof, removal of biomass burner boiler and associated plumbing and modification of the building front elevation.</p> <p>And arising from past meetings</p> <p>e) Greenacre, Orsett Road 17/01472/FUL Change of use from residential to part commercial / part residential use. The HS/CF raised the problem with parking. <i>The application now states swimming lessons for 3 children at a time and six parking places provided. These are half the previous numbers and the meeting felt the property can accommodate this.</i></p> <p>f) The question of Cholley's farm (Listed Building) was raised again as it is still open to the weather and deteriorating rapidly.</p>	<p>Keep on the case!</p>
<p>11. Village Enhancement</p>	
<p>12. Any Other Business</p> <p>a) Still lorries parking in the Old Brentwood Rd , <i>dealt with under 1.e)</i></p> <p>b) There is currently a consultation running on the closure of Orsett Hospital. It opened on 30th November and closes 9th March. Presentation at the Orsett Churches Centre on 13th Feb and at Civic Hall 6th March 1:30-3:30. <i>The plan involves Integrated Medical Centres at locations including Purfleet and Corringham. These centres would do Blood Tests, X-Rays, Physiotherapy etc and would be up and running before Orsett closes down.</i></p> <p>C) A drop in event in Horndon VH on 5th March 5:30-8:30pm called "Your Place, Your Voice" by Thurrock Council to get Thurrock Residents' views on all aspect of the future development of the Borough over 20-30years. What is important to you, what facilities would you like to see and where, etc etc?</p>	<p>Please comment if you can.</p>

Meeting closed at 9:32pm. Kim thanked everyone for their attendance.

NEXT MEETING: 7th March 2018 at 8pm – The Woolmarket

If unable to attend, please inform Kim Towlson on Mob 07724 848069 or Email: cst1952@hotmail.co.uk