



Meeting of Corringham, Fobbing and Homesteads Forum Held on 9th April 2018 at 7.30pm in Corringham Hall AGM

Present:

Forum Committee			Sub.C	Residents/Representatives			Sub.C
Jenny Meads	JM	Acting Chairperson		Dave Plant	DP		T/CL
Penny Partridge	PP	Secretary	CL	Peter O'Rourke	PO	Frost Est Ass.	
Tony Sharp	TS			Colin Butler	CB		
Bill Dawson	BD	Treasurer		Alex Ridley	AR		T/CL
John Fox	JF		CL/P/T	John Evans	JE		
				Rita Dawson	RD		
				Hazel Parr	HP		
				Malcolm Knight	MK	Fobbing Friends	
				Bryan Lindsay	BL		
				Jean Lindsay	JL		
				Brenda Scott	BS		F
				Kim Towlson	KT	TAF/TCAG	

Sub-committees:

- T Thurrock Road User Group
- P Policing
- CL Christmas lights
- F Flowers

	Minutes	Action
1	Apologies for absence Roy Eaton, Trudie Eaton, Roy Jones	
2	Minutes (to approve the minutes of previous meeting) Minutes of the last meeting were approved.	
3	Matters arising No matters were arising.	
4	Constitution It was agreed that the committee should have a minimum of 5 members, with no maximum. The new constitution was adopted with no further changes or objections.	
5	Forum Matters – Election of Committee Members and Officers BD resigned as Treasurer. BS, MK and AR were voted onto the committee by majority vote. JM was voted as substantive Chair by majority vote. PP was voted to continue as Secretary by majority vote. AR was nominated by TS and JF to take the position of Treasurer. Voted on by majority vote.	

	<p>BD was thanked for his 16 years of service to the community as Treasurer to the forum, assisted by RD. BD will hand over the accounts to AR and continue to serve on the committee.</p> <p>PP will inform TAF and Lynn Gittins.</p>	<p>BD PP</p>
6	<p>Treasurer's Report</p> <p>There have been no transactions in the Forum cost centre with a balance of £7398.79.</p> <p>There have been two payments out of the Christmas lights cost centre for sockets and signs, with a balance of £16,160.88. This is ringfenced for future use.</p> <p>A proposed budget for 2018-19 was discussed, with expenditure agreed for the wreath, Christmas trees (one additional) and expenses. £300 was agreed for flowers, plus £180 for hanging baskets. The income of £1317 will not increase with inflation. It is predicted that the forum will overspend by £100, plus the 100 year anniversary celebrations will require expenditure.</p>	
7	<p>Sub Committee Reports</p> <p>Christmas lights</p> <p>50% of the cost of the new lights for 2018 has been paid. The remainder will be paid out at the end of the year and the money will be ringfenced in the forum account.</p> <p>Policing</p> <p>JF sent an email to Roger Hirst on 5.4.18 but hasn't had a reply yet. Council tax for the area has increased to facilitate additional policing but they will not be trained until January 2019. There has been an increased police presence after the stabbing incident.</p> <p>Thurrock road user group</p> <p>DP raised the Springhouse Road parking and the authorities will do a Saturday morning check. The next TRUG meeting is in May. There will be no road closures until the Buckingham Hill junction has been completed. Matt Ford from Thurrock Council will be invited to the next forum meeting.</p> <p>Planters and flowers</p> <p>Poppies can't be sourced locally but can be ordered online. MK and BS will liaise so that Fobbing will have the same. JF will talk to Sunny Fruits to get a quote for hanging baskets.</p> <p>Hubs</p> <p>Forum members to think about the groups and organisations that might want to be involved in hubs. Please let PP know by email, so they can be involved in future discussions and Natalie Warren can be informed.</p>	
8	<p>100 Year anniversary of end of WW1</p>	

	<p>TS and JF visited Lynn Gittins. It's possible a sum of money may become available (£250?). The Kynoch museum exhibition is not available to help. The Army cadets and British legion have initial plans and TS will keep us all informed. St John's and Sutherland pipes and drums may get involved. What about the scouts?</p> <p>Agreed to set up a subcommittee and HP has joined with TS and JF. PP to contact Stanford forum to see what they are planning. HP to contact the Hope committee to ask the same.</p>	<p>PP HP</p>
9	<p>Public Forum</p> <p>The signs are up this week on Southend Road for the average speed cameras from Hassengate to Whitepost corner.</p>	
10	<p>Ward Councillors' Reports</p> <p>No Councillors were present due to purdah.</p>	
11	<p>Any other business</p> <p>Community development grant: MK looked at Fobbing park and feels it could do with a fence. KMD are happy to come into partnership and do a joint bid to improve parks. DP asked the council and they are not going to contribute to the 10% needed. They will have a list available for what needs doing to the parks. The pathway through the park from Gordan Road is unlit and should be brought up at 106 meeting. KMD will attend a forum meeting if someone from planning is attending. The dog bins at Fobbing are broken. At Corringham rec the tennis court needs nets and the gates to the park are broken. There is a swing frame which is empty.</p> <p>The Highways Agency delivered their visual at a meeting about the Lower Thames Crossing project. Visual is available on HA website. There will be a formal consultation in August/September. Suggested concerns are the environmental impact and pollution. The TCAG have suggested a meeting with the forum committee and they will agree a date.</p> <p>The Tilbury forum are thinking about putting in a grant application for Christmas lights and will appreciate help with this.</p> <p>There have been reports of pony trotting on the Manorway again.</p> <p>MK sends apologies for May's meeting.</p>	

**Next meeting is on Monday 14th May 2018 at 7.30pm
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