

Meeting of Corringham, Fobbing and Homesteads Forum Held on 11th September 2017 at 7.30pm in Corringham Library

Present:

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| Jenny Meads | JM | Acting Chairperson | } | Committee |
| Penny Partridge | PP | Secretary | | |
| Bill Dawson | BD | Treasurer | | |
| Malcolm Knight | MK | | | |
| Cllr Roy Jones | RJ | Councillor | | |
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| Dave Plant | DP | | } | Residents |
| John Fox | JF | | | |
| Peter O'Rourke | PO | Frost Est Association | | |
| Brenda Scott | BS | | | |
| Allan Phillips | AP | | | |
| Hazel Parr | HP | | | |
| Rita Dawson | RD | | | |
| John Evans | JD | | | |

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| 1 | <p>Apologies for absence Cllr Jack Duffin Jackie Tapsell Tony Sharp Kabul Sandu Roy Eaton Trudi Eaton</p> | |
| 2 | <p>Minutes (to approve the minutes of previous meeting) An email from Trevor Hutchinson had been received noting that the item number 4 referral to planning <i>consent</i> should be reworded as <i>reserved matters consent</i>. This was agreed and the minutes amended.</p> | |
| 3 | <p>Matters arising The matter of cars racing up Lampits Hill was brought up at the Thurrock independent advisory group meeting. They would like reports of any racing to be given as it happens. It was noted that two private police cars had picked a lad up on motor bike locally and the police seemed a bit more responsive. The proposed 40 mph limit and Giffords Cross Road junction will be on the agenda at the next meeting with Anne Osola. The Thames Oil Port have been approached about supporting the Christmas lights.</p> | |

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| | <p>5. Forming links with health and education providers</p> <p>After discussion it was agreed that objective number 2 should be removed as it overlapped with objective number 1. After discussion it was agreed that the reference to <i>holding local events</i> in objective number 3 should be replaced with <i>supporting local events</i>.</p> <p>A discussion took place regarding the number of committee members needed to be functional and effective. The current constitution states a minimum of 5 and maximum of 12. It was agreed that a maximum of 7 was more realistic.</p> <p>JF suggested that a change in section 5 (forum officers) that a committee member who fails to attend more than 5 committee meetings in a 12 month period without recorded apologies will be deemed to have resigned by default (currently it is 3 consecutive meetings). There was some disagreement about this and the discussion did not conclude.</p> <p>DP felt that the forum would be more constructive if it operated more sub committees, and that provision should be made for this in the constitution. For example, a sub-committee to deal with planning concerns, or the demand for a police presence in the local area. It was agreed to set up a sub-committee of 4 members plus local councilors. HP, JF, DP and RJ all agreed to join and TS would be approached.</p> <p>DP reported that the Thurrock independent advisory group are meeting on Wednesday. Two significant questions are being asked, how can Essex police work with key partners, and how to work better? DP will give his views.</p> | PP |
| 6 | <p>Treasurer's Report</p> <p>Two transactions have been made since the last meeting. One payment for Brenda Scott as reimbursement for flowers: £34.64. Also a donation to RATA for £163.00 as agreed in the July meeting. A donation has been received from Martins towards the Christmas lights – this will be added to a separate column. The balance is currently £8312.75 and a copy of the accounts was made available for all to see. BW has applied for forum expenses of £1317. BW will purchase a wreath for remembrance Sunday in November.</p> | BW |
| 7 | <p>Public Forum</p> <p>JF suggested that we reserve a date for the Christmas trees to be decorated – 1st December. Lloyd will put the lights on beforehand.</p> | |

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| | <p>Curves are running an annual quiz night in aid of breast and prostate cancer on 6th October. See Theresa at Curves for a team. RJ and HP will get together a table.</p> <p>DP fed back from the Thurrock road user group. The barrier repairs on the Dartford crossing bridge will have a new design that will reduce delays when being maintained. They are working on a strategy for traffic flow throughout Thurrock and are looking at repairing potholes amidst budget restrictions, they have equipment to scan the roads. DP has a meeting with Anne Osola coming up and he will raise the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A13 which has no sign of starting yet. • S106 money to be checked. • 40mph limit on manorway. • Any air sampling done recently on Manorway? | |
| 8 | <p>Ward Councillors' Reports</p> <p><u>Roy Jones</u></p> <p>The flexible task force has been set up.</p> <p>A meeting has been held between DP World, Thurrock Council and the police. Meetings will be held quarterly.</p> <p>Thurrock council is to install CCTV and improve the signage followed by enforcement.</p> <p>Advisory leaflets will be issued giving information to lorry drivers about HGV facilities.</p> <p>Joint newsletters will be issued for hauliers.</p> <p>RJ has spoken to Morrisons re their back storage yard. The next step is for costings to go in.</p> <p>RJ reminded the forum of upcoming road closures to the Manorway and Giffords Cross junction on 8th October and 15th October.</p> | |
| 9 | <p>Any other business</p> <p>PP reported that she had attended an emergency group meeting at Thurrock Council and hopes to call on forum members should a significant emergency arise.</p> <p>JM went to a hate crime ambassadors meeting. Hubs and libraries may be able to take on this good initiative.</p> <p>JF and DP met Lynn Gittins. It would seem that she is not aware that the previous forum chair has resigned.</p> <p>BS would like to purchase more bulbs. She will take out the summer plants when the Christmas trees are ready to go in. Payment has already been agreed.</p> | |

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| <p>DP thanked JM on behalf of the forum for her help and dedication in facilitating the use of the library for forum meetings. Everyone present was appreciative.</p> <p>The floor was reminded that the next and all subsequent meetings would be held at Corringham Hall (use the side entrance).</p> <p>The meeting closed at 9pm.</p> | |
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**Next meeting is on Monday 9th October 2017 at 7.30pm
Corringham Hall**