



Meeting of Corringham, Fobbing and Homesteads Forum Held on Monday 9th March at 7.30pm in Corringham Hall

Present:

Forum Committee			Sub.C	Residents/Representatives			Sub.C
Alex Ridley	AR	Treasurer		Dave Plant	DP		T/P
Penny Partridge	PP	Secretary	CL	Jean Lindsay	JL		CL
Roy Jones	RJ			Bill Dawson	BD		
Hazel Parr	HP		PL/CL/Fu	Rita Dawson	RD		
Tony Sharp	TS			Peter O'Rourke	PO		PI
Jenny Meads	JM	Chair		Sue Griggs	SG		
				Michael Farman	MF		
				James Bayford	JB	Hope com	
Guests/visiting speakers				Derek Parker	DP		
Trevor Hutchinson	TH	DP World		Fay Plumb	FP		
Stephanie Ashburn	SA	TBC		Fiona McLoughlin	FM	Stanford Forum	Fu
				Gbenga Olajugbagbe	GO		

Sub-committees:

T	Thurrock Road User Group	CL	Christmas lights
P	Policing	F	Flowers
PI	Planning	Fu	Fundraising

		Action
1	Apologies for absence Dan Ambrose, Kim Towlson, Julie Sorrell-Wilde, John Fox, David Plumb, Alan Dolan, Brenda Scott, Jeanette Hogan, Gary Byrne, Shane Ralph	
2	Notice of any other business None	
3	Minutes (to approve the minutes of previous meeting) The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.	
4	Matters arising Lower Thames Crossing mobile event tomorrow 10 th March. 11am – 7pm at Homesteads Hall. Please complete the consultation. Many local residents do not understand the implications of the proposed crossing. There are bigger maps at the event. The IAG meeting is next Wednesday (police).	
5a	Additional agenda item Stephanie Ashburn – Neighbourhood officer for east Thurrock Stephanie is responsible for all communal land that is not caretakered, eg parks, alleyways, pavements etc. They will raise concerns and make sure repairs get done. SA will be working with the police, holding surgeries etc, estate inspections every 6-8 weeks. SA will forward an email address.	

	<p>Questions Some allotments are being transferred from recreation onto assets, causing concern. Stephanie will look into it.</p> <p>What section do you report into? Into my manager Kerry O’Cray - Neighbourhood Engagement (housing dept).</p>	
5b	<p>DP World – Trevor Hutchinson The Hardie Park subway has been repaired. Thanks to artist who did the work for free. A rep from Thames Enterprise Park has been invited to next forum meeting. Lower Thames Crossing – TH sees many flaws in the design and suggests people respond with the key points by letter.</p>	
6	<p>Treasurer’s report Bank statements were produced. Two high viz vests have been purchased and the Christmas lights £250 deposit returned.</p>	
7	<p>Sub committee reports:</p> <p>Planning The forum needs an interested group who are willing to form a sub committee as a Thurrock-wide group will not happen. If you are willing to chair, host or join a group let JM know.</p> <p>Planters and flowers The planters are being moved around when the new planter has been delivered. PP to request Lynn Gittins for the grant funding and cc AR in.</p> <p>Christmas lights Festival Lighting have been asked for a quote. TAF will ask to see if a quote for 5 forums will be better value and will get quotes. DP will chase up Festival Lighting.</p> <p>Fundraising Plans are in place for a Christmas event in the town and something at Halloween. Important that events compliment the parks group.</p>	<p>PP</p> <p>DP</p>
8	<p>Ward Councillors’ Reports No Councillors were present. A member brought up the motor bike action down the manorway. DP will raise it the IAG meeting.</p>	DP
9	<p>Forum matters A reminder that April’s meeting has been moved to Wednesday 15th April at Homesteads hall at 7.30pm. Stephen Metcalfe MP will be attending. Items for the agenda should be Thames Enterprise Park, Lower Thames Crossing, Orsett Hospital, crime/anti-social behaviour (putting links on agenda). Stephen Metcalfe MP should be given an agenda spot.</p>	PP

	<p>Committee membership: Roy Jones and Malcolm Knight have both resigned from the committee. The forum thanks them for their service to the community. With the AGM coming up in May, please let JM or PP know if you are considering joining the committee.</p> <p>Update on Stanford forum: There are four who have joined the committee and Stanford Blooming Marvels are attending. Priorities include the Christmas lights and trying to get a trader rep. Meetings are the 3rd Monday in each month.</p>	
10	<p>AOB</p> <p>The new memorial bench was due to be dispatched today and will be fitted by the council.</p> <p>TS brought some posters about a VE day 75th anniversary celebration on Friday 8th May at 7pm at Corringham Hall. Tickets are £12.50. Call Tony Fisher army cadets for tickets.</p>	

**Next meeting is on Wednesday 15th April 2020 at 7.30pm
Homesteads Hall**