

**Meeting of Corringham and Fobbing Forum
Held on 9th February 2015 at 7.30pm at the
Salvation Army Hall, Corringham Road**

Present:	Danni Tate	DT	Chair	}	Committee
	Julie Sorrell-Wild	JSW	Treasurer		
	Judith Acreman	JA	Secretary		
	Pam Tate	PT			
	Bill Dawson	BD			
	Alan Phillips	AP			
	Roy Jones	RJ	Councillor		
	Rita Dawson	RD			
	John Fox	JF			
	Dave Plant	DP			
	Tony Davis	TD			
	Penny Partridge	PP			
	Roy Eaton	RE			
	Trudie Eaton	TE			
	Mavis Lawrence	ML			
	Jackie Robe	JR			
	Sharon King	SK			
	Malcolm Knight	MK			
	Debbie Bell	DB			
	Brenda Scott	BS			

1. Apologies

Andrew Roast, Jenny Meads

2. Minutes

Minutes agreed

3. Matters arising

No matters from the floor

4. Police NAP report

Danni has spoken to Inspector Argent and from next month crime figures will be forwarded to the forum by the dedicated officer. Also the Bi monthly meetings are held all over borough but when they are in our area police have agreed to try to hold them at the same time as the forum, so this is a result!

Monthly crime figures were provided to us by Tony Davis. Ward co-ordinator for Neighbourhood watch and patient participation. **Danni will read and distill the details for our ward.**

5. Treasurers report

CFCF - One transaction expense - for printer ink.

CEC - remaining funds now cleared with final balance paid to charity as agreed by committee. Account now closed

6. Public questions

TD raised issue of Potholes in Fobbing high road. JF requested people to phone TBC and get it on record, also can be done on Fix my Street on line. They then have statutory duty to inspect and repair them. Attendees mentioned potholes in Gardner Ave, Springhouse Rd, Gordon Rd. Cllr RJ said has personally spoken about potholes but keeps being told they are not big enough to qualify. **JA suggested she will post an item on FB page publicising the lack of activity.**

Anti social behaviour in Gardner Avenue - JSW says the council are saying they are not informed even though people ring in regularly. Danni said people should ask for the log number then they can quote them.

7. Ward Councillors Report

Roy Jones

- Underpass work starting. Notices up and local residents advised. JSW said there is an uproar on FB with people saying the children will be at risk crossing the road. Forum members who had received the letters said they did not say they would both be closed together, they would be partially closed and then only for a few days and the spokesman from the port, Trevor Hutchison, who attended our November meeting, made it very clear there was no easy way to tackle this and whichever course of action they took this would cause some disruption.
- Hubs - still in progress and apparently awaiting meeting shortly with interested parties
- Lorry park - no planning application yet received. Pre planning discussions. Will be open to outside traffic but anticipating only 10% additional traffic!
- Planning application for an estate of 750 homes at the end of Southend Road is now very active again and local residents need to be aware and respond to consultation period. It is on green belt and not in the council plan.
- NHS walk in clinic in Grays is up for renewal in September. The options are 1) closure and resources used to fund 4 GP surgeries, 2) reduced opening, or 3) maintain as is.

Cllr Roast written report in his absence

- White re lining on White Lion Hill now completed. Councillor Roast asked for any other necessary areas, they can be re done if lining has faded to less than 70%. Forum members felt there could be many other examples!
- Grit boxes need refilling - Wharf Rd. Please inform of others that need replenishing
- Traveller camp in Southend RD - the public hearing was 2 weeks ago when Cllr Roast spoke against. The decision is due in 6 weeks.

8. Any Other Business

- Chair has emailed TBC asking for planning officer to come to talk re Enterprise Park but has had no reply. Cllr Jones will chase.

- JSW attended a meeting at Council re Community walks. Has to map out local walks in East Thurrock of exactly 10 miles and to involve local people. This follows on from Beat the Street. To be part of the borough festival with 10 walks throughout Thurrock. Collaboration between TBC and private design company Kinetica. Julie found all decisions already seem to have been taken and imposed on the local community. No flexibility at all so it was information not consultation. Julie is not a walker so she has passed her role to Hazel Parr. **Members expressed annoyance that TBC were spending local money on imposing activities on us that are not wanted, or already exist e.g. several local walking groups, walking maps. People wanted to keep T Fest but it had already been decided that this will replace it.**
- Save our Libraries - the online consultation ends 23rd Feb but is not available elsewhere. Julie has created a local petition which is now widely circulating and has also had a lot of media coverage. Please take and sign petition sheets. Library staff will help with any access to online consultations.
- Corringham and Fobbing in Bloom set up after last meeting. DB is very keen, the whole idea has taken off and she will be putting flyers in with Indian takeaways! she also visited all Lampits Hill and Woodbrooke Way shops and the feedback was very positive. JSW has created a FB page. 2 Planters identified and a third is also being sought. They will be using community payback team for gardening work. Also going to re dig and plant the Addizone area. Nursery will be donating plants, Corringham Primary planting and Corringham social club have agreed to maintain them. White Lion pub have agreed to wild flower planting. The planter outside library to be done by Forum, Sunnyfruits will do one in front of their stall, Grover walk planter has had a huge shrub donated by individual. Planter outside off licence to be moved to old Corringham, the one outside church to be planted and maintained by church. Local children and scouts etc will all becoming involved, as well as craft days around Easter. RATA will be maintaining the 32 hanging baskets in the town but no one can use the metal brackets without taking out insurance. JSW would like to ask Forum in future for small grant to cover materials for craft days.
- Community days - 'Corringham & Fobbing forum presents' at Corringham library 10am - 2pm

sat 2nd may 10-2 Safety ...

Sat 6th June - Health..

Sat 4th July - Nature & local life

- JF and DP attended local council meeting consult re cuts. Interesting times coming.
- TD - patient participation group meeting next Thursday 19th 6.30 pm at Giffards Cross surgery
- Neighbourhood Watch unit opposite Wilkinson in Grays - people can go in.
- (DP) Police meeting 18th February 7pm Corringham village hall.

Next meeting

13th March Corringham Library 7.30pm

Crime figures

From 5/1/15 to
1/2/15

Burglary - Dwelling	1		
Burglary -Other than Dwelling	2		
Criminal Damage to Building	1		
Criminal Damage- other	1		
Criminal damage to vehicle	4		
Theft from person	2		
Theft- Making off	1		
Theft -From Motor vehicle	5		
Theft - Other	5		
Theft of Motor vehicle	1		