



BROADSTONE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION



Executive Committee Meeting Broadstone Library 27th January 2011 @ 7.00pm

Attendees: Don Harris (DH), Cllr Roy Godfrey (RG), Pat Talbot (PT), Edward Floyd (EF), Sally Banford (SB), Craig Pritchard (CP), Jill Webber (JW), Ro Mitchell (RM), John Sayers(JS), Derek Hawker (DH), Jill Floyd (JF), Cllr Mike Brooke (MB), Cllr Les Burden (LB), Roger Jefferies (RJ), Russell Saunders (RS), Rosemary Palmer (RP), John Palmer (JP), Sgt Andy Jenkins (AJ), Diane Durham (DD), Frank Wood (FW), Susanne Christie (SC minute taker), Jenny Hudson (JH – guest).

1. Apologies: Laura Cummings (LC), PC Joe Cooper (JC), Cherry Lorberg (CL), Carol Reynolds (CR), David Anderson (DA), Louise Pritchard (LP).

2. Minutes of meeting 9th Dec - All items agreed.

3. Actions and matters arising –

Discussion held by the group with reference to the offer of two speakers: Dacombe and Renaut of Wimborne to talk about digital TV and Jackie Custard has volunteered to talk about how the census is used. All agreed that a talk about the census would be most interesting.

Community payback – RG has received no further feedback on his communication as regards to this topic.

4. Correspondence

Green spaces in Poole – EF and JF attended (amongst approximately 30 others) and found it to be a very useful meeting. The event was held in order for members of the public to share their views about use of parks in Poole and in turn help shape local policies. For information the shrubbery as you enter the Broadstone Recreation Ground from the Ridgeway is scheduled to be removed and replaced with fresh new plants.

Joe Cooper asked for a link to the Police Broadstone & Merley Safer Neighbourhood Team website. It is now on the Home page and Local links page; thank you DA.

Tennyson Insurance: our insurance policy which has been forwarded to RJ.

EF has emailed everyone in order to notify of a planned event which is being organised by 1st Hamworthy Scouts in Partnership with Turlin Moor Action Group.

‘On March 19th 2011, we will be running a Community Youth Day, from 10.30 until 4pm on Turlin Moor Recreation Ground, behind the School. The aim of the day is to educate person under the age of 18years of Street Safety, Home Safety, Personal Health and what Social and Sports activities are available in the Area. This event is focused on the benefits for young Persons in the Hamworthy, Turlin Moor and Upton areas’.

Airport; 5.1.11 Roy, Jill and EF met Jenny and Anne from Airport Awareness group in the library. It was agreed that we would extend an invite to Jenny to speak to us subject to approval by the committee. 6 replies received, all in favour, though feeling untroubled by noise, some worried by possible loss of jobs at airport, often operating only 2 scheduled flights per day.

Jenny's invite was confirmed on 18.1.11. Please refer to Jenny Hudson's presentation within these minutes.

Closure of roads in the Borough – EF regularly receives details and always forwards these to the group.

Invitation for 2 reps to PBC meeting on the budget. It was forwarded to all. PT has volunteered to attend.

Library –13 managers reduced to 4. Felicity leaves Broadstone and is now in charge of Poole and Oakdale.

Stepping Stones: BRA was asked for information on Blackwater Stream (the new name). Were there fish e.g. trout breeding and did boats use it? Jill dealt with Robert Renak and advised him that this caused guffaws from local historians. EF had referred to Julia Wenham and Her husband David. Mrs Waterman and old-time resident had called it the 'Splash' and it was normally thought of as a drainage ditch. I suggested calling the pub 'Elias Sharland' or Broadstone Inn. Renak sent a request to Jill for photos of various characters or sites but we were unable to help. Suggested the Poole Waterfront Museum.

1030 – January 28th at the Civic Centre, leader of the council is to consult the residents and the associations about the cuts.

Poole in Bloom is scrapped because their £5000 allocation has been withdrawn due to a lack of funding. Elsewhere across Poole unless voluntary groups are set up it will have an impact upon the look of the blooms in Poole. RG wrote to Denise Hill to see how this would affect her. Broadstone in Bloom used to receive £1000 grant but this was withdrawn and they have since been working voluntarily.

Broadstone litter pick – being arranged for 2011.

Watering the plants in Broadstone – an outside tap is being considered to allow watering to continue.

Volunteer drivers – details have been sent to RG to advertise the service and these will be placed on our notice board.

EF has written to Poole Council as follows;

"I am the secretary of Broadstone Residents Association and I often receive emails or letters from your various departments. Occasionally you go haywire and send it to our past secretary whose address is 136, York Road, BH18 8EY. Please do not do this as Mr. Hull has not been the secretary for some years and it is a nuisance to him, especially as he is not well."

I have given them my full name, address and tel. no, email address so they should not bother you again, DV. The envelope you forwarded to me last week contained details of road closures and was precisely the same as the email they had sent me the week before. Very odd and wasteful for a council which has no money. That particular dept. checked their records when I rang them and they swore they had no details of you or 136, York Rd on their records - forked tongues? The young lady to whom I was talking seemed to think it was impossible to spread my message through the whole council. I would have thought this was an elementary task for a properly handled computer.

DA received a message recently, it read: I hold a Morning Meditation, on a weekly basis. Held locally every Tuesday. 10 till 11.30am. If interested call Maria on 01202 600756. Is it possible to list this on your site? I am happy discuss this. If you need any further details from me please

do call or email me. DA has asked if she would care to advertise with us [no reply]. I have asked where local is [Waterloo estate] and charge [£5 to cover refreshments]. Is she a member of BRA and does she live in BH18? [No reply].

5. Police report. – *Edward I did not receive any detail to place here. I am hoping you have it?*

DA asks what the situation is with respect to parking on the pavement. Is it illegal as it seems so common nowadays? Is this a general trend towards lax police control and soon will be the norm as is the general trend in law compliance by the general public?

The Highway Code has the following section:

"244 You **MUST NOT** park partially or wholly on the pavement in London, and should not do so elsewhere unless signs permit it. Parking on the pavement can obstruct and seriously inconvenience pedestrians, people in wheelchairs or with visual impairments and people with prams or pushchairs."

Sgt Jenkins comments that inconsiderate parking – parking on the pavement is not illegal. However, he did recently receive a picture of inconsiderate parking and followed it up with the owner of the car. But it is illegal to obstruct the highway and individuals will be challenged by the Police as and when incidents occur.

Parking in Broadstone, RS notes that there is an issue with residents parking in Sopers Lane in order to leave their cars and take the bus to their final destinations. Also Charborough Road in Broadstone as car owners are parking there as well in order to use the local bus routes.

6. Airport noise, Jenny Hudson Guest speaker – has lived in Broadstone for the last 21 years under the incoming flight path and during August of last year she was woken at 5am by a flight to the Channel Islands due to the sheer noise of the engines. One of the planes is almost 60 years old, (the age of the plane having an effect on the noise level). There is now going to be a 70/30 split in terms of the flight paths used. Bournemouth airport insists that flight paths have not changed. Aircraft continue to fly over Broadstone and no sanctions will be applied. There are fears that when Ryanair begin to fly again in the spring the noise will only increase. Jenny is now representing Broadstone on the airport committee and extends her thanks to Annette and Mike Brooke for their help in this regard. Website and leaflet drops are informing the public. Publishing of the flight paths will soon be available to allow future purchasers to decide where to buy their homes and thus possibly devaluing our homes here in Broadstone even further.

7. Chairman's report – (No Chairman in post)

Community working group – established nearly two years ago. PT has been attending for several months. The group would like a representative to stand for two years. All agreed that PT could attend for the next 12 months. A recent Vision for Poole meeting was held, with public invited to attend. It was observed that every member of the council was invited but only 4 turned up and one left after 10 minutes. MB did explain that it is very difficult for councillors to attend every meeting they are invited to within the town and it is a little disingenuous to begin criticising council members in this regard.

8. Reports by Officers

Planning (PT) – nothing to report.

Treasurer (RJ) – There has been very little activity since our last meeting in December. An extra £72 has been received for subscriptions and interest of £39.95 has been credited on our Scottish Widows account. All the summer magazine advertising money has been received apart from one bad debt previously reported and I have today billed an additional £265.00 for new adverts in the winter magazine issued today.

On the expenditure side we have paid the second year's premium of £288.75 on the Tennyson public liability insurance policy, a donation of £250.00 to the Chamber of Trade towards their Christmas lights approved at the last meeting, a contribution of £50 towards the hire of the Climbing Wall featured on the cover of the winter magazine, £37.48 for our website registration and a subscription of £25 for membership of the National Organisation of Residents' Associations (NORA). I had hoped that this would enable us to get a group premium rate for our public liability insurance but this was a misunderstanding on my part – we will however get minutes and useful information about the running of resident's associations.

Our bank and cash balances now stand at £1,091.78 on our current account with HSBC and £14,736.81 on the Scottish Widows Business Deposit account. We still have the cost of the winter magazine to pay for shortly expected to be in the region of £2,750.

Advertising Officer's Report (RJ) - The winter magazine issued today has five new advertisements, an upgrade from a half page to a full page advert and one or two amended advertisements. A new innovation in this edition is the introduction of full colour on the inside of both covers. As a result of all this I have been able to bill an additional £265.00 to add to the £3,160.00 billed in the summer for this year's advertising.

Magazine Editor (CP) – thank you to everyone for all their hard work. CP is still considering going to full colour for the next magazine for the same price (to be decided at a later date).

Chief Warden (JS) – 3 outstanding contributions from last year still to collect (the usual suspects). New Chief Warden will take over after the AGM. A BIG thank you to Ro Mitchell and her husband for their help with the sorting of the magazines. Welcome to Russell Saunders who has taken over as one of the area wardens.

Education - no officer in post

Web master /Cycle ways and footpaths (DA) – nothing to report, except to remind everyone to check details from time to time and advise DA of any errors or omissions.

Chamber of Trade (JW) – Wetherspoons regional manager made a small presentation at our January meeting. Looking at operating similar trading times to previous owners. Family dining will be encouraged, but no children after 9pm. Currently due to open on 22nd February as The Blackwater Stream.

Planning will start in February for Christmas 2011, we would like to encourage volunteers from the community to help, especially, with the Parade as the numbers of marshalls is dwindling & this has a real impact on the success of the day.

The Chamber would like to thank the BRA for the contribution of £250 to the lights, it was very much appreciated.

We are looking into the possibility of organising a street party in the toast rack to celebrate the Royal wedding. The flags will be up again!

Broadstone Physiotherapy has a planning application in for a hydrotherapy pool. The first in the area.

A planning application for change of use to A3 has been granted for the shop that was previously MiniMe.

Subject to planning permission, Dream Doors, a franchise specialising in kitchen facelifts, will be opening in March in the vacant Harris & Nash premises.

(Plan of layout of the new pub is attached to the end of these minutes)

Neighbourhood Watch (RG) – I would like to thank all members who contacted me during the recent bad weather and helped with gritting the roads. We had groups of neighbours all over Broadstone working together to clear the roads and pavements for the benefit of all, the community spirit was brilliant. The Highway Maintenance Team also did a great job within the limits of their resources; I had a meeting with them to thank them for their help and to discuss contingency plans in the event of further bad weather. We would all hope for a mild winter, but I have arranged to provide them with a list of roads at risk, vulnerable bus routes and addresses of residents who volunteered last time. RG will contact all residents involved to thank them personally.

Think Bright Think Lights – The Police are running a campaign during the winter months. Under the initiative, cyclists caught riding without lights after dark are issued with a cycle defect form. The cyclist then has a specified amount of time to take the form and proof of purchase for a new set of lights to a local police station. Anyone who does not comply is issued with a £30 fine. All Safer Neighbourhood team officers including Special Constables will be issuing the tickets.

I would like to thank all Contacts and Coordinators for their efforts in helping to increase our membership and delivering the Newsletter during the terrible weather in December.

The Borough of Poole has a 'Report it ' feature on its' web-site, this can be used to report abandoned cars, pot holes, broken street lights, fly tipping , callers get a very prompt reply and are provided with a reference number, the council would hope to resolve the problem within two weeks.

9. Grants requested (RJ) – None.

10. AOB –

Dianne Durham, tenders her resignation (effective today) and confirms it via a letter handed to the group.

Broadstone library donation of books – all books are welcomed to help stock the library.

Meeting closed at 21.00 hours.

Certified true copy of the Minutes: Signed
Vice Chairman

Next meetings: April 7th 2011 [Spring Newsletter]. AGM – May 19th 2011

