

**Rowly Drive Residents' Association**

**Minutes of AGM**

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2016 at 8pm**

**At Cranleigh Nursery School**

Committee Members Present: John Kearsley (Chair), Sue Barrow (Treasurer), Philip Koniotes (Committee Member)

Apologies – Hunter's Lodge.

The meeting was opened by John who welcomed all those present, especially new residents.

1. Adoption of 2015 Minutes

It was proposed by David Palmer and seconded by Mike Harris that the minutes from the 2015 AGM be adopted as a true record.

2. Chair's Report

John welcomed all those present, especially those who were new to the Road.

He thanked the other committee members for their hard work throughout the year and Philip for the hours he had spent with John inspecting the road with contractors, clearing blocked culverts and for his offer to make signs to give advance notice of the forthcoming road closure. He also thanked Dick Lane for facilitating an alternative resurfacing quote from Axtell and offering everyone the use of his yard for parking when Rowly Drive is closed, Steve Pink from Rowan Cottage for his help clearing blocked culverts, Tony Williams for arranging the quote from Drivepoint and everyone who had paid the resurfacing contribution promptly, including some residents who had only recently moved onto the Road.

Activity through the year had focused mainly on collecting money for the proposed resurfacing and dealing with resident's queries and concerns, which had been a frustrating and lengthy process. There had been meetings with Drivepoint, Axtell and the owner of Rowly Place, who owns the strip

of grass at the junction with Guildford Road, onto which Rowly Drive has already encroached, to discuss how best to arrange the resurfacing at this point.

There had also been ongoing monitoring of planning applications on the road and residents were advised of any significant issues.

John reported that he had also arranged, with the help of Councillor Patricia Ellis, for Surrey CC to clear the 2 drains at the top of the Road and was still in discussion with them and Waverley BC in connection with resurfacing the area around one of the drains and clearing them again, as they have blocked again. Waverley have advised that they have no record of ownership of the small strip across the top of the Road and their files relating to previous requests for payment to cross this strip have gone missing. Ruth Norton, Pembury, agreed to supply contact details for the vendor of Little Farm, one of the houses that Waverley had sought to charge some years ago. Tom Cotton, Rhosily, recalled that a Christine Pointer was the official from Waverley who dealt with the matter.

### 3. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer distributed copies and summarised the main points as shown on her report for the year ending 31 May 2016 and the report was adopted.

### 4. Re-election of existing committee members

It was proposed by Michael Harris, Glenloch and seconded by Jan Lane, Shooters Rest that the existing committee be re-elected and those present gave their thanks to the committee members for their work over the past year.

### 5. Appointment of additional committee members

John asked if anyone would like to join the committee to fill the position of Secretary and Michael Harris, Glenloch volunteered and was duly elected as Secretary.

### 6. Road resurfacing

John advised that resurfacing would take place the week commencing 22nd August, with preparatory work being carried out on Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd and resurfacing on Wednesday and Thursday, 24th and 25th. The road will, therefore, be closed on 24th and 25th August between 8am and 4pm. This has been arranged during the school holidays as some people will be away and the RDA do not have any activities at this time.

Philip Koniotes has kindly arranged to make signs to be erected on the road, to advise visitors of the closure dates. He will also speak to the Post Office to request deliveries on foot for the 2 days of closure. The committee asked those present to think about their activities on these 2 days, for example, appointments, deliveries, contractors, gardeners, workmen, etc. and remind their neighbours not present, to avoid such activities on these days. Members were also asked to consider elderly neighbours, who may need people to attend their homes.

There was a discussion around possible issues whilst the road is closed and the committee confirmed that emergency vehicles will be able to get through, if necessary, and also that people will be able to walk along the grass verges but should take care due to the contractor's plant and large vehicles maneuvering. People should also avoid parking on the verges, to avoid possible damage.

## 7. AOB

### 7.1 Non payers/subscriptions

When asked the question, John advised that, despite many requests, 5 residents had not paid £250 towards resurfacing. Some of those present felt that a list of those non-payers should be published, as these people would benefit from the new surface at the expense of everyone else, but others thought this was not necessary and we had done well to have received payment from 95% of houses. After some discussion, it was agreed that a list of non-payers should not be published and the annual subscription of £60 should continue to be requested from those residents. It was also unanimously agreed that no subscription would be requested for the forthcoming year from those residents who had paid £250.

### 7.2 Speeding

Some members noted that delivery vans were frequently seen speeding along the road and it was agreed that all residents would ring the number on the vehicles, to report such incidents.

### 7.3 Signs

As Rowly Drive is a public footpath and registered bridleway, the majority of members present requested that signs be placed at the Guildford Road end of the Drive stating that the road is private,

a no through road and people should drive carefully. Tony Still, the new owner of Littlebrook, kindly offered to have a sign on the land outside his garage.

#### 7.4 Drivepoint invoicing

Ian Hood, Benmore, asked what name would appear on the Drivepoint invoice and John agreed to raise this with them.

**Post meeting note** – Drivepoint have advised that the invoice will be made out to the RDRA and John has advised those concerned by e-mail.

#### 7.5 Parking

There was concern about parking opposite Rowly Lodge by non residents and the committee agreed to try to ascertain who was doing this, possibly staff at the nursery school.

#### 7.6 Portable defibrillator

Tom Cotton, Rhosilly, advised the meeting that he had been looking into portable defibrillators and would like one to be provided, for use by residents, out of RDRA funds. The committee agreed to consider this.

#### 7.7 Rumble strips

A discussion around the possibility of installing rumble strips concluded that this was not desirable due to the additional noise that would be created by vehicles going over them and also slowing and accelerating.

#### Attendance Record

Allen Igglesden

Lyhope

Paul and Margaret O'Hara

Long Copse

S Leahy

Long Copse

Tony Birtwell

Robertsley

Lesley and Alan Mason  
Sandra Standela and Jim Jennings  
Dai Cowx  
Mrs Holden  
Mike and Christina Harris  
Tom Cotton  
Ruth and Norman Norton  
David Palmer  
Tony Still  
Alan Page  
Jan Lane  
Ian Hood  
Christian Martinsen

Bridles  
Rowlybrook  
Primrose Bank  
Durdle Dore  
Glenloch  
Rhosilli  
Pembury  
Littlefield  
Littlebrook  
Broadmead  
Shooters Rest  
Benmore  
Oakdene