

Approved Minutes of HRA Committee Meeting
Held on 13th October 2014
At Highfield House Hotel

Present Roger Brown, Jill Baston, Stephen Connelly, Chris Klewe, Adrian Vinson,
Bryan Wakeley.

Attending Jacky Barnes, Tom O'Connor.

Apologies Councillor Paul O'Neill, Councillor Matthew Claisse, Councillor
Linda Norris, Farooque Ahmed, Ellie Cawthera, VP Engagement,
PC Virginie Freval, Nicolla Martin, Headley Rossell, Jerry Gillen, Simon
Hill, Nadine Johnson, John Bradshaw.

1. Welcome, declaration of interests.
There were no declarations of specific interests.
2. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved with some minor
amendments.
3. Matters Arising

Website

Roger Brown passed on a message from Nadine that there was good progress
on the new website and that the planning pages needed rewriting. She would
be meeting with the contractor on 15th October to discuss this.

Building Bridges Project

The curry and fireworks evening would be on 7th November. It would be a free
event but everybody would need to apply for tickets.

Newsletter

Roger said that the next newsletter was ready to be issued and that we had
received some sponsorship and advertising.

The matter of heavy lorries using Welbeck Avenue was still under
investigation.

4. The Common.

The report on this was deferred to the next meeting.

5. Reports

Membership

Data from Nicolla Martin was as follows:-

Data base records	560	
Paid up total	437	
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Finances

In the absence of the treasurer, no report was available.

Planning

Adrian Vinson detailed the applications that had been received. There was still

Adrian Vinson detailed the applications that had been received. There was still concern about 13 Grosvenor Road, for which HRA had lodged an objection. The application would be heard at a later panel.

The Highfield House Hotel application to build student accommodation had not yet been officially withdrawn and Roger Brown had received no reply to the letter that had been sent.

Adrian also reported that the scrutiny panel report on HMOs would go to cabinet shortly and was expected to be approved on most matters.

The Council was unlikely to enforce the removal of letting/sale boards and they did not have the manpower to check how houses were actually being used. Roger Brown reported that he had met with Simon Rowberry, the new planning officer, and that they would meet again informally in the near future. It appears that the new HMO licensing scheme was having some effect.

6. AOB

Roger Brown agreed to circulate details of road repairs in the area as they become available.

Tom O'Connor mentioned that there had been some recent burglaries. There was obviously an active thief about.

7. Reserved Business

8. The next meeting would be on 10th November 2014

The meeting closed at 8.00pm.