

Approved Minutes of HRA Committee Meeting
Held on 9th March 2015
At Highfield House Hotel

- Present Jerry Gillen, Jill Baston, Stephen Connelly, Chris Klewe, Nicolla Martin, Adrian Vinson, Nadine Johnson, Headley Rossell, Bryan Wakeley, John Bradshaw.
- Attending Councillor Matthew Claisse, Councillor Paul O'Neill, Roret Blue, Peggy Augier, Janathan Puff, Nick Bacon, Ann Wardle, Hannah Talbot, SUSU, Tom O'Connor, Edward Knowlton (Winn Road).
- Apologies Councillor Linda Norris, Roger Brown, Ellie Cawthera, Farooque Ahmed, Simon Hill, Jacky Barnes.

1. Welcome, declaration of interests.
Jerry Gillen welcomed visitors and guests, including Hannah Talbot from the Student Union, who is standing as Vice President Engagement in the next round of elections.
There were no declarations of specific interests.
2. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.
3. Matters Arising
Little Common
Jerry Gillen gave an update on recent works carried out on The Little Common under the auspices of Simon Hill, who is away. Particular reference was made to the considerable achievements of Simon and his Working Parties in clearing away recently fallen trees and further opening up of the ancient woodland.

Website
Nadine gave an update saying there would be a "soft launch" in a couple of weeks and members would be informed by an article in the forthcoming Newsletter.

Bird and Rat Feeder
This Matter had been reported to The Council but the person has yet to be caught in the act. One of the visitors said that the man was feeding meats and bread to the birds and of course the vermin such as rats and that he was also a known drug dealer.
4. Reports
Membership
Nicolla Martin reported these details.

Paid up total	421
Rolling paid up	28

Jerry Gillian complemented Nicolla on her hard work in increasing membership over the years and commented on the time when it stood at only 150.

Finances

It was reported that the finances were healthy. Much of the unspent grant monies could now be used to cover work carried out by contractors working for us on the Little Common, after permission from the Lottery.

Planning

Adrian Vinson presented his report plus a number of applications that had been submitted subsequently. Neighbours of 36 Winn Road and 9 Chamberlaine Road were in attendance and asked the Association to object on their behalves. The work in Chamberlaine Road, which the Council had confirmed qualified as Permitted Development, was causing substantial noise nuisance and they were advised to report this to The Council Environment Officers.

An application to convert a garage into a 2 bed home in Russell Place would be opposed by the Portswood Residents Gardens in addition to HRA.

The Vice Chairman expressed his disgust at the both the outcome and process by which 21 Holyrood Ave had been granted an LDC for use as an HMO. He further reported on the formation of a working party to be convened by the THoP to consider the revision of the HMO SPD and the recent Scrutiny Panel recommendations.

5. AOB

Jerry Gillen reported that the next newsletter would be published shortly and before the AGM.

Ann Wardle asked if any more could be done to prevent illegal on street parking near the University. She was finding it difficult to park in her own road.

6 Reserved Business

The committee discussed and approved the accounts for last year and the holding of membership lists.

7. Date of next meeting

There would be no planned meeting in April and the date of the May meeting will be 11th May 2015

The meeting closed at 8.50 pm.