

# Manor Park and Hempstead Fields Residents' Association

Notes of the **Committee Meeting** at 27 Roman Way  
**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2017 – 7.30pm**

## **Present:**

Paul Sparks (Chair)  
Peter Griggs (Secretary)  
Tom Crellin

Jane Shepherd  
Dorothy Sparks  
Jerry Miller

## **1. Apologies**

Sally Major (Treasurer), Ric Mears, Belinda Da Silva

## **2. Minutes of the last meeting and matters arising**

The minutes were agreed as a true record of the last meeting.

Matters arising, all included on the agenda other than damaged road sign.

**ACTION: Peter** to chase WDC re road sign at top junction of Downsview Crescent and Browns Lane.

## **3. Treasurer's Report**

Paul read a report from Sally and circulated the accounts year ending 2017 and advised that the Association has a current bank balance of £1,840 of which £821 is earmarked for the Walk and Talk campaign.

## **4. Secretary's Report**

Peter advised that membership currently stood at 135 and that renewals and new memberships are still being received.

Peter has contacted the Town Council (TC) re previous correspondence about the potential for a pedestrian crossing near the schools. The Town Clerk has offered to make further enquiries with ESCC Highways.

Paul read a reply he had received from ESCC Highways about:

- The suggestion that the two developments be designated a 20mph zone – ESCC will not progress but Paul has agreed to sit on a TC working party to introduce mobile speed indicator devices (SIDs)
- The damaged and missing road safety posters – now replaced
- Verge marker posts – cost has to be met by resident(s) and ESCC licence required  
**ACTION Peter** to include this information in the next Newsletter

An obsolete 'runners' warning has been sign left attached to a lamppost in Downsview Crescent

**ACTION Peter**

Maria Kirk the Education Officer at Bridge Cottage has asked whether the Association would like to contribute an item for a time capsule due to be buried there later this year.

**ACTION: Peter** to offer a copy of a recent Association Newsletter.

## 5. Surgery Car Service (SCS)

Paul read a report from which showed that for each of the first four calendar months of the year the number of bookings have exceeded those for 2016.

Income and expenditure for the Car Service is as follows:

Income for the year to 5 April 2017	£193
Expenditure for same period	£174

The committee was pleased to note that income for the Service now exceeds expenditure.

Sally has also asked whether we should inform our insurers that we operate this service.

**ACTION: Paul** to do this at the next renewal.

Paul advised that Churchcoombe Community Association have expressed an interest in joining the car scheme.

**ACTION: Paul and Peter** to meet with the Churchcoombe Community Association on 13<sup>th</sup> July.

Jane asked for further copies of the (revised) flyer.

**ACTION: Peter**

Jane and Paul asked for further copies of the Welcome Pack.

**ACTION: Peter**

## 6. Dementia Training

Paul has contacted Sussex Support Services which has agreed to provide a trainer and host a session at the Victoria Pavillion – a one hour session for 12 to 15 volunteers, free of charge.

**ACTION: Peter** to contact Margaret Dode-Angel to make the arrangements for our volunteer car drivers and co-ordinators to attend. (01825 760176)

## 7. Defibrillator update

Peter told the committee about the various protracted machinations of his approaches to Tesco.

**ACTION: Peter** to attend a meeting with Tesco and the landlord's agent on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May (neither Paul or Chris Sherwood from Uckfield Lions Club are available to attend).

## 8. Walk and Talk

Peter gave a progress report including the launch on 8th May, social media and online news coverage and the further activities being planned to maintain interest.

**ACTION: Paul** to place posters in Tesco Express and other shop(s) in the parade and at Uckfield Leisure Centre.

## 9. Events and Activities

- Big Lunch -11<sup>th</sup> June 2017 :
  - URFC field now confirmed – may be restricted space available due to field maintenance
  - Assault Course (45ft) booked – discounted charge
  - Punch and Judy booked

- Dog Show – Parklife Pet Care have kindly agreed to support this event
- KSS Air Ambulance will attend – charity collection and possible fly-over
- Demelza - will hold a fund raising raffle (prizes offered by Freedom Leisure and Uckfield FM)
- Wealden Ukelele Band and Singers – who also support KSS Air Ambulance may attend,

**ACTION: Jerry**

- Ice Cream van booked – will pay is commission
- Face painter booked - £30 fee for one hour
- Manor Primary sewing competition – sewing competition launched, Jade to judge and present prizes at the Big Lunch (prizes part-sponsored by Sew N Sew and Kids Stuff.
- Churchcoombe Community Association - have been invited but declined
- Games – giant football, giant garden chess, giant Connect Four, frisbees and a parachute game will be available



Committee members available to attend are:

Jane

Jerry

Tom (probable)

Dorothy

Paul

Peter

- Invitation to participate in Uckfield Voluntary Association’s ‘Celebrate’ event on September 16<sup>th</sup> (10 to 4pm) - agreed to keep this invitation under review.

## 10. Any Other Business

- Newsletter – Peter apologised there had not been a Spring newsletter and asked for ideas for a Summer edition – Walk and Talk, Defibrillator, verge marker posts, Big Lunch, Surgery Car Service (Churchcoombe).
- BUC to be asked to look at overgrown pavement in Downsview Crescent opposite UCTC entrance

**ACTION: Dorothy** to approach BUC (our members will assist on the day)

## Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2017, 7.30pm at 27 Roman Way

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

11<sup>th</sup> June 2017

The Big Lunch

18<sup>th</sup> July 2017

The AGM

26<sup>th</sup> July 2017

Next Committee Meeting