

# AV&L Community Association

## Minutes – 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2017

**Present:**

Jane MacBean (Chair), Irfan Arif, Alan Bacon, David Bird, Louise Dunn, Richard Dunn, Phil Folly, Hanna Morgan, Tony Strudwick, Kim Zolan.

<b>1</b>	<b>Apologies</b>	<b>Action</b>
	Howard Griffin, David MacBean.	
<b>2</b>	<p><b>Minutes and matters arising</b></p> <p>JMB provided an update on current matters:</p> <p><i>Bellingdon Road dropped kerbs</i> – A list of house numbers for properties on Bellingdon Road that have installed dropped kerbs has supplied to the Highways team to confirm whether permits have been obtained.</p> <p><i>Co-Op Field</i> – a resident has approached JMB about organising a tidy up of the Field. JMB meeting with Parks Manager to discuss formal management plan of the space and suggested an Action Day (maybe the last Sunday of the month) to do a thorough litter pick of the outer edges of the field and any light trimming of the pathway down to Asheridge Road.</p> <p><i>Parrots Walk</i> – suggested as the March Action Day for a spring clean and tidy up.</p> <p><i>Traffic Management Meeting</i> – JMB advised members of a productive meeting at Wallington House between TVP, Paradigm, Elmtree staff and parents to discuss traffic, parking issues.</p> <p><i>Bellingdon Road Bench</i> – JMB mistakenly thought that CTC had approved the bench but upon further investigation can confirm that the Parks Manager is carrying out an audit on all Chesham benches to assess which ones need work and the adoption of none CTC benches and installation of new ones is yet to be discussed by the Council.</p> <p><i>Asheridge Road Bench</i> – to be discussed at full Council on 20<sup>th</sup> February.</p>	
<b>3</b>	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <p>None</p>	
<b>4</b>	<p><b>Treasurer's Report</b></p> <p>JMB confirmed that the Association is still looking for a Treasurer. In the meantime she provided a financial update that details expenditure and a current bank balance of £2,259.34</p>	
<b>5</b>	<p><b>Member's Forum</b></p> <p>RD enquired about the planning application CH/2017/0082/FA and the meaning of the blue and red lines. JMB can now confirm that the red lines outline the proposed site under discussion. The blue lines outline land that the developer currently also has in his portfolio that is the subject of a pending, approved or dismissed planning application. The previous application at the bowls club has gone to appeal and this application is an exact replica of the first that the developer has resubmitted.</p>	

	<p>HM mentioned the house on the corner of Wesley Hill and Bellingdon Road. The developer of the bowls club property is thinking of acquiring the house and replacing it with a block of 9 apartments. He held a public meeting at the Methodist Church on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January to discuss the project with residents. HM expressed dismay that the rogue wheelie bin is still on the corner. JMB to discuss with the CDC waste manager.</p> <p>Concern expressed about the number of cars parked at the top of Lowndes Avenue that are showing trade plates. A resident of one of the houses operates a garage in Slough and members of the family may be using trade vehicles to get to and from work. Concern raised that cars are being traded on the public highway. If there is evidence of such activity then details can be passed to CDC Officers for action.</p> <p>There was some discussion about the volume of Kleeneze and Avon catalogues being delivered and not collected from houses in the area. Not only are they making a mess, they could be a security issue if burglars assume they are accumulating mail and no-one is resident. JMB asked members to keep nuisance catalogues and she will pass them to the CDC Community Safety Team who deal with issues like this.</p> <p>PF confirmed that CEG had carried out a litter pick of Captain's Woods. As the group were leaving a CDC van dropped off a litter picking team. JMB to see if Serco have a schedule of areas they work regularly or if this was a random act of neighbourhood cleaning generating from a resident request.</p> <p>Some discussion around the effective siting of litter bins across the town and in key problem areas such as Sunnyside Road. Some comment on the amount of litter in Chesham cemetery. JMB confirmed that the Parks team carry out a Monday litter pick in the cemetery and PF confirmed that the Friends Group pretty much leave it up to the Parks team.</p>	<p>JMB</p> <p>JMB</p>
<p><b>8</b></p>	<p><b>Date of Next Meeting –</b></p> <p><b>7.30pm on THURSDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> MARCH 2017 at METHODIST CHURCH, BELLINGDON ROAD.</b></p>	



## Chair Update

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### Bellingdon Road Dropped Kerbs

House numbers given to TfB and a request made to check which houses have obtained permits to drop the kerb. Once we have those details the same list can be given to the Planning team with a request to check which houses have planning permission for paving over the front garden.

### Co-Op Field

Suggest a work party to litter pick the shrubbery on the edges of the field as they are quite messy. We can also determine what kind of work needs to be carried out on the pathway to Asheridge Road and whether it can be done by CEG / Parks team or needs heavier lifting by Chiltern Rangers. I'm meeting with the Parks & Premises manager to put together a more official management plan for the site.

### Parrots Walk

Could probably benefit from some TLC once the weather gets a bit warmer so suggest a date in March.

### Traffic Management Meeting

A meeting was held between Elmtree school, Thames Valley Police, Paradigm and the Elmtree PTA to discuss various issues of parking, road access, grass verges, etc and there will be some joint action as a result. More details to follow.

### Bellingdon Road Bench

Rec & Arts Cttee voted in favour of replacing the bench on Bellingdon Road. They are grateful for the Community Association's offer to match fund 50% of the cost and the Town Clerk will revert with more details in the next couple of weeks.

### Asheridge Road Bench

Rec & Arts Cttee voted with a large majority to not replace the Asheridge Road bench due to the troubled history and strong opposition from members of the Allotment Association. Cllr Fayyaz has asked that the matter be referred to full Council and a decision will be made on the 20<sup>th</sup> of February.

## AV&LCA Finances Update - 2nd February 2017

			Bank Balance
01-Apr-16			£3,059.65
23-May-16	CDC Co-Op Field Contribution	£90.00	£3,149.65
20-Sep-16	Hall Hire	£108.00	£3,041.65

20-Sep-16	Web Hosting	£10.80	£3,030.85
06-Oct-16	Elmtree Harvest Festival	£163.85	£2,867.00
20-Oct-16	Hall Hire	£54.00	£2,813.00
18-Nov-16	Web Hosting	£24.96	£2,788.04
29-Dec-16	Xmas Celebration	£88.20	£2,699.84
10-Jan-17	Hall Hire	£27.00	£2,672.84
11-Jan-17	Insurance	£93.50	£2,579.34
02-Feb-17			<b>£2,579.34</b>