

St Stephen's Residents' Association

Minutes of Public Meeting held on 14th March 2019

Welcome

Apologies

Mary (Castle View), Barrie Boundy, Wendy and Gordon

Neighbourhood Watch

Sam Allen was unable to attend the meeting to talk about the Neighbourhood Watch scheme. This will be rearranged for a future meeting.

A van had been broken into recently and residents are requested to report any such attempted vehicle break-ins to the Residents Association as well as the Police.

Unfortunately Adam Paynter had reported that due to an oversight the request for 20mph throughout the village had not been included in the recent TRO. Apparently it will be approximately 18 months until the works commence so it needs to be sorted out.

A suggestion that double yellow lines may be used on Duke Street by the telephone box as part of the alteration to the junction. No works will be carried out until the agreement of St Stephens residents has been reached.

It would be helpful if as many residents as possible could email info@StStephensResidents.com showing their approval and the difference to their lives a 20mph speed limit throughout the whole village would make.

Working Parties

A volunteer is needed to organise working parties to carry out litter picks and clean up of the village including cutting back the brambles on the path leading to the church hall. Andy to contact the Council re using weedkiller.

Cleaning of road signs and removal of unnecessary signage was discussed and it was agreed that Adam Paynter would be approached regarding this.

Speed Gun

Tracy had been using the speed gun from her window in 5 minute slots on traffic both coming in and going out of the village.

Speeds just inside the 30 mph are were around 39 mph with many into the 40's and some as high as 51 mph.

Buses seem to be going through at the correct speed. The traffic appeared to be faster at night.

It was agreed to test the accuracy of the speed gun by using a vehicle going at a particular speed.

Finance

The Bank had raised the difficulty of changing the signatories to the Residents Association account and it would be a while before Jayne Cresswell and Bryony Citrone could be added as signatories in place of the late Val Bugden Cawsey.

Vice Chairman

Barrie Boundy had asked that a temporary vice chairman be appointed and Trish Bateman had agreed to take on this role until such time as Barrie was able to return.

Dave, Golf Club

Dave asked if the residents thought that they would like the Golf Club to start supplying take away food, such as fish and chips, pizzas, sandwiches, weekly specials, and even take away roasts. He said they would be available 7 days a week throughout the summer, probably until about 8 or 9 p.m. Residents would need to phone in their order. Dave also said that they would also be available to cater for parties on a take away basis.

Race Night

Tickets and posters all done. The Race night was organised and ready.

A raffle would be held and the proceeds to Val's charity, and any donations for the raffle such as wine, chocolates, easter eggs etc would be much appreciated.

It was agreed that a mail drop would be done probably during the week prior to the Race Night.

Alan Creber

Alan Creber reported that there had been no more problems with youngsters riding their bikes over the golf course.

Big Lunch

The Big Lunch as suggested by the Eden Project will hopefully be held in the Church Hall. Bryony to speak to the Church Hall administrator to see if the hall can be booked for Sunday 2nd June.

Any Other Business

Bryony Citrony was concerned regarding insurance for the coffee morning and whether there was any cover for food being cooked and sold. It was suggested that the hall might have its own insurance to cover this, together with some sort of Food, Health and Hygiene cover. This would be looked into.

A complaint had been received regarding the fact that the coffee morning was being wound up at 11.30 despite the fact that the coffee morning is advertised as being open until 12.00. On that particular day all the food had been sold and two people arrived late into the morning. The coffee morning is run by volunteers and food cannot be guaranteed until 12.00 as a limited amount is purchased to avoid waste. The complaint was dealt with by Andy and no further action will be taken.