

FERNWOOD RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Minutes of FRA Committee Meeting held on 05 Sep in the Village Hall

Present:

David Mack

Geoff Bowers

Barry Smith

Dee Harrison

Cheryle Mack

Henry Paakow

Mandy Rayner Knowlton

Jim Weale

Nigel Branston

Chairman

Vice-Chairman

Treasurer

Secretary

		ACTION
1	<u>Welcome:</u> The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.	
2	<u>Apologies:</u> Apologies had been received from Neill Mison, Ian McGregor, Emma Oldham.	
3	<u>Minutes of Last Meeting:</u> The Chairman welcomed everyone and asked for comments on the Minutes of the last Committee Meeting. There were none, so the Minutes were accepted as a true record.	Sec
4	<u>Chairman's Report:</u> Nothing to report	
5	<u>Financial Report:</u> The Treasurer gave an update on the financial status and distributed a copy of the current balance sheet. Regarding the Summer Fete, he had as yet not received the promised donations from the Horse rides or the bouncy castle. During the meeting, Cheryle contacted the horse ride company and they say the cheque has been sent; this will be chased up by the Treasurer. The Chairman agreed to ask Emma to chase up the bouncy castle money. The total fund is currently £2257,29.	Treasurer Chair
6	<u>AGM Preparations:</u>	
	a. Review of Agenda: Nigel outlined the draft agenda for the AGM, and recommended cutting some items as it would otherwise be a very long meeting. As the FRA has 2 GMs per year, he suggested moving a number of topics to the other meeting, thus enabling the FRA to have the two meetings without too much duplication. It was agreed to delete from the AGM Agenda: FIGs; School; NCC; FirstPort, and Maintenance. It was also agreed that the election of officials should include the Vice-Chair post.	Sec

	b. Review of revision of Constitution: Nigel outlined the reasons for undertaking the review, and what had been done so far, asking then for comments and suggestions. The entire content was discussed at some length, and various changes agreed for the Sec to action. Sec will prepare a final draft for approval by the Committee, in time for it to be published with notification of the AGM.	Sec
	c. Publicity: After checking the current Constitution, it was agreed that the AGM must be announced and publicised by 19 Sep (absolute latest). It is sufficient to use the FRA website and the Notice Board, although other means should also be used if possible.	All Sec
7	<p><u>AOB</u>: The Chair raised 2 issues:</p> <p>a. <u>Hallowe'en</u>: The idea of an FRA-sponsored Hallowe'en party had been raised and discussed. It was felt that we did not have the time or resources to arrange this for the current year, but that it should be considered for future years.</p> <p>b. <u>Bonfire Night</u>: Volunteers would be needed for 4th November, and it was necessary - given the planned absence of certain key personnel on 4th - to hold a meeting in the next few weeks to discuss and plan the event. The Chairman agreed to make the arrangements for an extra meeting before the next Committee meeting.</p>	Chair
8	<u>Next Meeting</u> : The next Committee Meeting will be held in the Tawny Owl at 7.30p.m. on Thursday 19 October.	Sec All
9	Closing Statement:	Chair

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