

Fernwood Residents Association
Committee Meeting 8th May 2018, 7:30pm
Fernwood Village Hall

1. Welcome

Meeting Opened at 7:30

Present:

- David Mack - Chairman
- Ian McGregor – Vice Chairman
- Andrew Armstrong - Secretary
- Luke Ashmore - Communications
- Sophie Ward - Events
- Cheryle Mack
- Benji Fennel-Ross

Apologies:

- Mandy Knowlton-Rayner
- Iain Moulds - Communications
- Steve Illingworth - Treasurer
- Ken Forbes – Maintenance Chair
- Leigh Richardson

2. Minutes from previous meeting

Minutes from previous meeting agreed and ratified
Dave Mack proposed, Ian McGregor seconded.
Motion passed

3. Chairman's Report – David Mack

Parish Council Meeting

Both DM and IM will represent the FRA at the Parish Council meeting and AGM this month.

4. Vice Chair Report – Ian McGregor

Gypsum Mine Report

IM delivered a report and two communications on the consultation process for the Gypsum works. Copies of these are available from the secretary if required. They have offered an opportunity for residents to have a visit and tour of the site by prior appointment. Any residents interested in the should contact IM to arrange.

As of the date of the meeting there has been no submission of the final planning stage for the Gypsum Mine. The FRA will inform residents via social media when this situation changes.

5. Secretary's Report – Andrew Armstrong

Secretary had nothing to report.

6. Treasurers Report – Steve Illingworth

Clarification of Website Funding

As requested by SI, the FRA is looking to change details to MyFernwood and purchase the domain MyFernwood.org, develop a website and use it to inform residents. The costings for this are broken down as follows:

- USD \$64 for a set theme that will work across multiple devices and is also secure for data protection
- £4.58 per month for hosting the website. This is to be set-up, if possible, as a direct debit. LA to liaise with SI.
- £20 annual fee to purchase and retain the URL MyFernwood.org. This will be invoiced by LA when due.

A vote was held to agree the costings discussed above with the members present. The vote was agreed and passed unanimously.

Published Accounts

Treasurer Report			Apr-18	Bank Account		
DWH Account Community Development				£ 3,285.80		Unchanged
FRA Account						
Allocated to		FYI		713.00		
		Conservation		140.17		
	Bird Seed (Hide)		Spend	8.03		
	Conservation Remaining Funds			132.14		
		Forest Schools		500.00		
		Web Hosting				
		Available Funds		954.12	2,299.26	As at 09 April 2018

7. Maintenance Panel – Ken Forbes

KF was unavailable for the meeting. CM delivered the report.

Phases 1-6 are now all represented by the maintenance panel. The panel has agreed to:

- Agree an agenda and then send it to First Port
- Publish the agenda on the new website
- Bradley Coles is currently drafting the mission statement.
- We are awaiting a meeting with Gary Cox, KF and six members of the panel.
- Requesting that all new work needs permission from the RA.
- Agreeing that subcontracting the team at Fernwood to other sites is beneficial for the residents, provided it does not impact services here.

Discussion was also held that Hunters Road currently does not have access to fast broadband because the road is not yet adopted by NSDC due to the sale of land.

First Port Costs

The costs incurred from mortgage providers to change the housing deeds are set by Barratt/DWH and not by First Port. FRA is requesting that fees are capped, especially where a property is split over two schedules and there for two sets of fees are required.

8. Events Report – Sophie Ward

Welcome to Sophie Ward who will be taking over the role.

Summer Fete

Cancelled for this year.

Fireworks

Christmas Fireworks have been decided upon again. We are hopeful of the Round Table Santa to make an appearance again. Date TBC but currently 16th Dec.

Christmas Market

The Provisional date for the market has changed due to a double booking of the village hall. It is now scheduled for 11/11 provided vendors are able to reschedule. Confirmation of the event will be published by the Communication team.

Youth Group

Various ideas were discussed regarding activities and groups for 8-16 year olds. A survey will be conducted through social media.

Insurances

Costings are currently been sought for Public Liability Insurance to host these events now they are no longer overseen by the Parish Council. At present quotes of C.£373 are coming in.

9. Communications Report – Luke Ashmore

Designs for the MyFernwood logo were discussed. This has been referred to next meeting.

10. Parking and Dog Mess

Parking and Dog mess remains an issue within Fernwood. The Residents' Association recommend that residents continue to report issues to NSDC. DM suggested that the RA should come up with ideas to encourage more responsible parking and disposal of dog waste. DM suggested stickers with graphics showing responsible behaviour and links on the web site indicating the law on parking and how to report dog waste.

The FRA would like to remind residents that any vehicle causing an obstruction to a foot path or drop kerb is an offence and they would be asked to move it.

11. Date of Next Meeting

Next Meeting set as 6th June 2018 at Fernwood Village Hall

12. AOB

The possibility of a new playground was discussed and the fact that the school had already discussed this when they asked the pupils what they needed on Fernwood. The RA said they would most likely support the PC if they went ahead with a plan for such a playground. SW said that she was, with some pupils and parents, planning a presentation at the PC AGM. The RA thought this a great idea and gave her their support.

13. Close

Meeting Finished at 21:34