



## Marlow Bottom Valley Residents Association



TO BE HELD ON **WEDNESDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2005, 8.00PM**  
**AT 11 RAGMANS CLOSE**

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MINUTES OF THE MARLOW BOTTOM VALLEY  
RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD AT 11 RAGMANS CLOSE 3<sup>RD</sup> NOVEMBER 2004

THOSE PRESENT

Alan Jedras  
Steve Tilbury  
Jennie Browning  
Mike Williams  
Michael Sloane  
Beverley Tilbury  
Phil Kirkley  
Patrick Thomas  
Peter Borrows  
Robin St.John Smith  
Chas Snare  
Marshall Lawton

62/04 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Peter Crane  
Stephen Fox  
Steve Woodbridge  
Paul Kay

63/04 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed and signed off by the Chairman for the records.

64/04 MATTERS ARISING – There were no matters arising

65/04 CORRESPONDENCES – Chairman had received copy email from both SKT and Jennie Browning relating to the Onyx EnviroTrust application. Malcolm Blanksby had written to Chairman confirming that with the 2002 vote carried out in the Valley, 80% were in favour of the suggestion to splitting the Parish council into two halves, thereby enabling Marlow Bottom to get it's own council. AJ to furnish copy of letter to post on MBVRA website.

Boundaries have not yet been finalised, and some of the outlying properties are still in contention. Councillor David Coe had placed Marlow Bottom in with Harleyford, and Pump Lane had been placed with Little Marlow. There was still further work to be done with regards the boundaries. The Boundary Commission has the final say.

AJ to construct letter to Parish Council agreeing in principal to the idea. Concern to be raised regarding the proposed boundaries.

66/04 TREASURERS REPORT – Treasurer reported approximately £2320 balance in the current account, with £4052 on deposit. Jennie Browning submitted receipt for £30.00 for bulbs purchased for valley entrance planting which has now been completed.

#### 67/04 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

61 New Road had been refused planning application to extend existing property. Can we check the current application on 48 Beechtree Avenue (no mention of who raised this point). Peter Borrows commented on the fact that the land behind White Hills Close now had approval to build two houses whereas there had only been two cottages before. There had also been tree cutting in bridleways between Juniper to Hill Farm Road. Peter Borrows had seen valley residents cutting down trees and shrub/foliage which was clearly not with council permission and was obviously an attempt to clear more than just overgrown greenery.

#### 68/04 SIR STEVE REDGRAVE PROJECT

The Marquette was taken along to the Henley Rowing Museum by Peter Borrows to see if they would be interested in displaying it there for a while, in the hope of trying to raise some monies, but regrettably the idea was a no go for them and we have been unsuccessful in persuading them to display the model for us.

Alan Jedras had contacted the Bucks Foundation, but we fell into the small grants bracket and the maximum amount was only £500.00. Decision taken to review if we get close to the final amount and need a top up.

Jennie Browning had contacted Onyx and had requested an application form for the Envirotrust Programme.

#### 69/04 SUCCESSION PLANNING

Succession planning discussed and it was agreed that there would need to be some form of 6 month window to allow for a clean exit for those members wishing to step down from the front line, giving other members time to adjust to the idea of filling in on the role. To be continued

#### 70/04 WEBSITE ADVANCEMENT

Website – Suggestions for a listing of local business names and clubs / associations to be added onto the web site (check the Marlow Town site to avoid unnecessary duplications). Can we advertise on the web site? Can we promote Valley News on the web site? Can we push the Valley archive recorder availability?

#### 71/04 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Bulb planting to be carried out around the Valley sign this coming November weekend  
**(NB, now completed)**

Mike Williams to construct an article for the Marlow Free Press to help raise awareness of the valley recording device.

72/04 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

**Please Note: 26<sup>th</sup> January 2005 @ 11 Ragmans Close, 8.00pm sharp. Please advise soonest if you are unable to attend, thank-you.**

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