



Marlow Bottom Valley Residents Association



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MINUTES OF THE MARLOW BOTTOM VALLEY
RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT 50 BEECHTREE AVENUE 30TH AUGUST 2006

THOSE PRESENT

Steve Tilbury
Jennie Browning
Chas Snare
Alan Jedras
Robin St.John Smith
Patrick Thomas
Beverley Tilbury
Paul Kay
Mike Sloane

84/06 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Peter Borrows
Mike Williams
Marshall Lawton
Steve Woodbridge
Stephen Fox

85/06 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING - The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed. These were signed off by the Chairman for the records.

86/06 MATTERS ARISING – Paul Kay remarked that he had been in touch with a couple of people who had expressed an interest in assisting the MBVRA with regards altering the position of the 30mph sign on the C100. Committee agreed that it would be helpful, and that Paul could continue to talk with them re the above.

87/06 CORRESPONDENCES – Vice Chairman - Jennie Browning commented on a letter received from Malcolm Blanksby reference the limited budget available for repairing roads in Marlow Bottom. Priority was always given to A roads in the district. Pot holes were a useful method of keeping the speed down to safe limits! Chairman Alan Jedras had received a letter from the Parish Council (Eileen Court) concerning the condition of Munces Wood; the pathways needed to be mowed and the ragwort needed to be dealt with. A second letter was received regarding the curtilages close by to the woods. No further encroachment should be tolerated. Chas remarked that John Brown (Woodland Trust) was aware of the continuing local problem regarding residents slowly taking possession of the woods at the end of their gardens.

88/06 TREASURERS REPORT – No report submitted owing to Treasurers absence

89/06 PLANNING APPLICATIONS – Mike Sloane reported on 20 Goodwood Rise, planning permission was granted, but a water main present had prevented them from building. Plans are to be re-submitted to allow building to proceed. Paul Kay remarked that the building taking place was being handled in a very professional manner. The planning

permission for the illuminated sign next to One Stop's forecourt has been re-submitted for a single sided illuminated sign. Mike Sloane has written a letter to the Planning Inspector regarding the signage and MBVRA's objection to it being sited there. Regarding the plot of land on the corner of Juniper and New Road; the plot is owned by the occupant, and the hedge has to be kept in situ, although the ranch style fence is not supposed to be there without the relevant planning permission. The hedge & trees are not to be removed, as it was part of the original planning permission in order for the house (#21 Swiss Cottage) to be built.

We are still awaiting for the boundary to be clearly marked around 109 New Road, and this is to be reviewed in conjunction with the Woodland Trust when it is made available.

90/06 SIR STEVE REDGRAVE PROJECT – Steve Woodbridge has been instructed to commence preparation on the sculpture. At this stage Steve is to start on the detailed planning so as these plans can be submitted to the Council for approval. Chairman to prepare a letter giving Steve permission to start work on behalf of the association. Funds have been ringfenced to allow for the requisition of the necessary materials. Chairman to speak with Clr. Malcolm Blanksby regarding the advancement of the project.

91/06 30 MPH SIGN – Changes could well be implemented at the beginning of 2007 to move the 30mph sign further back up the C100. They may also be reducing the speed limit from 60mph to 50mph (Subject to consultation as per Malcolm Blanksby's letter).

92/06 WEBSITE MATTERS – Nothing to add, website was to remain unaltered.

93/06 ANY OTHER BUSINESS – Paul Kay – stench from the composting plant, Stewart Maxwell had sent diaries to those persons complaining in order that they could note the days and times when the stench was most evident. Robin St.John Smith remarked that the smell had diminished somewhat, but agreed that the smell was most objectionable at certain times (when smelt from the Cressex area)

Chairman remarked on Mike Williams health and his current progress. Ann Shave was going to delay the September edition of the Valley News, possibly until Christmas time owing to lack of assistance to complete the edition. Paul Kay – Mike Williams is awaiting a bypass operation which is planned for the 21st or 22nd September earliest at Hammersmith Hospital. Ward 3B is Mike's current residence at High Wycombe General Hospital.

Bulb planting to be organised, Jennie to procure another selection of assorted bulbs to a value of approximately £30.00. Date of planting to be agreed, provisionally 1st weekend of October.

The meeting was wrapped up within 90 minutes, and thanks were passed to Patrick for his gracious hospitality.

94/06 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – **25th October 2006, 11 Ragmans Close, 8.00pm at please be punctual.**

Minutes prepared by Steve Tilbury. In case of query or correction, please contact me using either r3skt@btinternet.com or telephone me on 01628 471288 during evening hours.