

# **MINUTES OF THE 37<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE MARLOW BOTTOM VALLEY RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION**

HELD ON THURSDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2006  
AT THE MARLOW BOTTOM VILLAGE HALL

## **COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

Alan Jedras – Chairman  
Marshall Lawton – Treasurer  
Steve Tilbury – Secretary  
Chas Snare – Planning  
Jennie Browning – Vice Chair  
Peter Crane  
Beverley Tilbury  
Mike Williams  
Robin St.John Smith  
Michael Sloane  
Paul Kay  
Stephen Fox  
Peter Borrows

## **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Steve Woodbridge  
Patrick Thomas  
Phil Kirkley

## **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the 36<sup>th</sup> AGM were agreed and signed as a true record.  
Proposed by Marshall Lawton, and seconded by Beverley Tilbury.

## **MATTERS ARISING**

There were no matters arising on the night.

## **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Chairman's report was presented as a separate report and a copy is filed with the Minutes in the record book. The Chairman thanked the present and on-going committee members for giving their time to the Association.

Adoption of the Chairman's report was proposed by Steve Tilbury, and seconded by Chas Snare.

## **TREASURERS REPORT**

The Treasurer, Marshall Lawton presented the accounts for the year 2005/2006 to the meeting, and a copy will be filed in the record book. Treasurer thanked Anne Shave for her continued excellent efforts in collecting all outstanding monies owed to the Valley News. The Valley News again continues to be a profit centre worth continuing with. Those present put no questions forward. Chairman also voiced his thanks for Anne Shave and the other Valley News team members for their tireless efforts.

Treasurer remarked on the absence of any expenses having been submitted against Secretarial costs, and noted that an amount of £25.00 had been accrued for in the years account.

Adoption of the Treasurer's report was proposed by Steve Tilbury and seconded by Beverley Tilbury.

## **MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

The Residents Association still has no active Membership Secretary, and so it had not proven possible to contact any new residents now living in the valley. On the evening of the AGM no new persons sought to join the MBVRA. Chairman Alan Jedras accepted Peter Cranes resignation and thanked him for his support over the past years.

Chairman asked for it to be placed on record that 2006/2007 would definitely be his last year in the post, having acted as Chairman for some considerable time now, and would like to relinquish the position to someone else.

## **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Planning Officer Chas Snare presented the Planning Report. Aside from minor applications there was nothing extraordinary to report. Ongoing planning applications are still being monitored. A copy will be filed in the record book.

Steve Tilbury proposed the adoption of the Planning Report, and Beverley Tilbury seconded the motion.

## **ELECTION of OFFICERS and OTHER COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

The Chairman took the opportunity to thank all of the Committee members for their hard work throughout the past months. Chairman also welcomed the acceptance by Jennie Browning to continue with the position of Vice Chair for the next twelve months. This being a position of fixed length to avoid any complications in stepping down should the need arise at the end of the period.

The following were re-elected to the Committee

Alan Jedras was re-elected as Chairman proposed by Michael Williams, seconded by Jennie Browning  
Jennie Browning was re-elected as Vice Chair, proposed by Alan Jedras, seconded by Peter Borrows  
Marshall Lawton was re-elected as Treasurer, proposed by Alan Jedras, seconded by Stephen Fox  
Steve Tilbury was re-elected as Secretary, proposed by Alan Jedras, seconded by Marshall Lawton  
Michael Sloane was elected as Planning Officer, proposed by Chas Snare, seconded by Alan Jedras

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

All other members were re-elected en-masse, there being no objections raised on the night.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Peter Borrows spoke about the encroachment of gardens into bridleways, particularly the bridleway running from Brucewood Parade up through Juniper Road, this was still a problem and nothing appeared to be being done by the Council. The derelict property on the corner of the said bridleway also appears to be uninhabited except for the rats and ws now being subjected to vandalism also. Councillor Blanksby remarked that he would ask the District Council to investigate the property, and also that he would see if the County Council could look into the matter of the shrinking bridleways, Sarah Wright was remarked as being the County Council officer responsible.

George Shave remarked that the aforementioned property was to his knowledge, never granted planning consent and that retrospective permission was never granted either.

At the conclusion of the AGM the Chairman introduced our guest speaker, Benji Donaldson, Operations Manager for Eco Terra’s High Heavens Green Waste Recycling Centre. Mr Donaldson presented a slide show and gave a talk on the operation of the local facility for composting green waste.

The above presentation took approximately 90 minutes to conclude, and there were 29 persons present in total.

After the splendid presentation, which evoked many questions from those present, the Chairman gave a vote of thanks to Benji Donaldson and to all those involved. The meeting closed at 10.30pm.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

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