

HOWE GREEN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the meeting of the Association Committee
on Wednesday 14 March 2012 at 8 pm
at 9 Chalklands

Chairman	David Pearson
Vice Chairman	Ken Wedon
Minute Secretary	None
Treasurer	Wendy Spooner

Committee Members:

Martin Cross - Absent.
Vic Morgan
Richard Spooner
Yvonne Bullock
Paul Bullock - absent
Alan Mitchell

1. Apologies for Absence

Martin, Paul.

2. Minutes from the last meeting

Minutes were accepted. Proposed Vic, seconded Alan.

3. Matters arising from last meeting

None

4. Sandon Parish Council Report

Sandon Quarry ticks on. We are opposing the recycling proposal that would result in so little being put into the voids that the work would go on for decades. We are checking on the allegation that water in the northern void would undermine the A12 so that it has to be continually pumped out. It was pointed out that only the southern void is being pumped out.

The biowaste proposal has been abandoned.

We are complaining once again about the state of the Southend Road.

5. Neighbourhood Watch

There has been a suggestion of setting up No-Cold-Calling zones in the parish. However, it was decided that there has been very little cold calling of late.

6. AGM

Clr Ian Wright has been invited. *David agreed to ask Derek Stebbins to give a talk on 'How City Status will Affect the Borough'.*

7. Environment

Village tidying has gone well but there is more to be done. Yvonne was complimented for her efforts.

The north-west corner of the car park needs clearing and tidying. It was decided to convene a work party to tackle the area, meeting at 10 am Wed 21st.

There is a problem with dog excrement in the Bridleway. Apparently, dog owners are picking up the mess in plastic bags and then dumping the bags in the hedgerow where they will be preserved for eternity. *David agreed to ask the parish council to ask the borough council to install a poo bin in the lane.*

8. Social Events

The Sunday Lunch was judged a success and Richard was thanked for his efforts. He reported that the restaurant charged us £5 each for the two people that turned up too late to be served. He elected to attempt recovery of the amount from the people concerned.

It was decided to organise a Jubilee Garden Party with a target date of Saturday 9th June, provided a suitable venue could be arranged. Peter and Ginny will be approached and if the venue is available, a sub-committee will be convened. Paul Kelly will be asked to demonstrate turkey carving.

9. Treasurer's Report

Current Account	£645.17
Deposit Account	<u>£3685.78</u>
Total	£4330.95

10. Any other business

None. Meeting closed at 21.30.