

# Howe Green Community Association

Minutes of the meeting of the Association Committee  
on Wednesday 11 March 2015 at 8 pm  
at 9 Chalklands

<b>Chairman</b>	David Pearson
<b>Vice Chairman</b>	Ken Wedon
<b>Minute Secretary</b>	None
<b>Treasurer</b>	Wendy Spooner

## **Committee Members:**

Martin Cross - absent  
Vic Morgan - absent  
Richard Spooner - absent  
Alan Mitchell  
Dee Hyatt

Prior to the meeting, Richard Woodcock and friend Ryan addressed the committee regarding a proposal by the Exclusive Brethren to build a meeting hall at the junction of Molrams Lane and Woodhill Road. The building is intended to replace their existing building in New London Road which is in a bad state. The proposal was discussed at length and conclusions, in general, were as follows:

- The proposed site was on greenfield land, a designated open space in the countryside, outside the defined settlement zone and this would not be allowed by planning law.
- Building there would set a precedent for other developments which could fill in the gap between Sandon and Great Baddow.
- The building was too large, it being of a generic type that the church always uses.

The meeting recommended that they try to obtain a site in North Chelmsford, which is the area assigned for new developments in the Local Development Plan.

It was suggested that they open up their car park at the Woodhill Road junction to allow parking by parents collecting children from Sandon school. This could go some way to alleviating the perpetual parking problem there. They seemed amenable to the suggestion.

## **Apologies for Absence**

Martin, Vic, Richard.

## **Minutes from the Last Meeting**

Minutes were accepted.

## **Matters arising from Earlier Meeting**

Wheelie bin stickers. We have had orders for 22 so far. Ken and Wendy added their orders to that number and thought Vic would want some too.

Vic agreed to put a note on the forum to arrange a working party to clear the path. Vic was absent.

Alan and David agreed to visit the new residents at 3 Chalklands. *Alan has visited them.*

David agreed to do the update the web site. *Done.*

## **Sandon Parish Council Report**

Dee reported on SPC developments:

The proposal to put bollards in Woodhill Road by the school looks as if it will go ahead. SPC will be putting bollards at the corner of the green in Sandon to prevent lorries from damaging the grass.

The Annual Assembly of the parish council will take place in the village hall on 21 April, 7.30pm. Open Gardens is set for 17 May.

Bretts will hold a consultation meeting in the chapel on 13th May regarding the northern void of the quarry. Bretts propose to operate concrete crusher in the bottom of the void.

Hull Lane repairs are in progress.

## **Spring Newsletter**

Dog poo notice is being included in the newsletter.

Alan asked if it would be appropriate for a HG Resident to put a note in the newsletter about a book they had published. The meeting agreed that it would. Alan revealed that he had produced two books of poems.

Cllr. Ian Wright has elected to produce a guide to elections in general. It is proposed to include this in the newsletter.

It was agreed that mention should be made in the newsletter of the address to the committee by the Exclusive Brethren.

It was suggested that Pam be approached regarding hiring out the chapel and that a note could be put in the newsletter and web site. *David agreed to suggest this.*

## **AGM 8th April**

Standard arrangement.

## **Environment**

Footpaths. Apparently ECC are proposing to review all footpaths and to any necessary clearing.

## **Social Events**

It was agreed that we should hold a BBQ in the summer. Alan and Ken agreed to cooperate with Vic in organising it, if Vic agreed. *David agreed to consult with Vic on his return.*

## **Treasurer's Report**

Current a/c £1548.48 Deposit a/c £3691.46. Total £5239.94.  
The figures given at the last meeting may not be accurate.

## **Any other business**

Meeting closed 9.36 pm. Next meeting 29 April 2015.