

School Lane Community Association, Hadlow Down
Minutes of the Meeting held on 18th September 2008 at 7.00 pm
At 13 School Lane, Hadlow Down

Present: Malcolm Burt (Chair), Chris McMahon (Treasurer), Marion Bayly,
Drew McCann, Barry Richardson

Guests: None

Apologies: David Gibson (WDC), Jill McMahon, Alan (no 11), Sarah Webb
(no 14), Diana Kempson.

The meeting was chaired by Malcolm Burt.

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes of the meetings held on 7th August 2008 and 9th September 2008 were approved.

Treasurer's report:

Bank account now switched to Barclays following lack of action from previous bank. Hope to now move forward on the funding application. Bank books should be available next week.

Correspondence: None.

Report on WRAG meeting:

An initial meeting was held at Buxted Court on 3rd September.

The main launch meeting for this group is scheduled for 24th September at Uckfield Civic Centre. Other groups, MP, Councillors and press will be there. WRAG Shared insurance policy - this policy for public liability was agreed and will be set up under the WRAG group insurance arrangement. The cost will be £105. Jill and Marion had agreed to help with catering for launch of WRAG on 24th.

Community Garden progress:

Funding application was held up somewhat by the banking problem – hopefully this can now proceed. Not much work since clearance as the weather had been very wet.

Water installation cost is quoted at £1500 and electricity at £300. The electricity will be on a key meter basis and will run from the middle potting shed.

Transport:

The new bus service was running OK and had been used by some residents.

Home Improvement (tenants only):

Front doors need to be replaced bearing in mind the colder weather and heat losses around the present ones.

Malcolm was pleased to report completion of the work to his bathroom.

Chris reported that he felt repairs were now getting done faster.

Any other matters:

- Future goals to include redeveloping the pavings in front of the flats which has a lot of rocking slabs now and ideally needs relaying and proper drainage. The shed re-roofing should also be monitored (present time scale for this is up to four years).
- South East water have again repaired the water main stop tap adjacent to the main road. At present this appears to have fixed the leak.
- There is a hornets' nest somewhere near the flats which needs to be located and dealt with professionally.
- Suggested that Debbie from Housing be invited to the next meeting.

Next meeting: Tuesday 18th November at 7.00 pm at no 13 School Lane.

Thanks to Marion who provided tea and coffee.

There being no other matters raised the meeting closed at 8.00 pm.

19th September 2008