



**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF LEATHERHEAD RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION CLG, HELD ON MONDAY 4<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at 7.30 PM at Letherhead Institute**

**Present:** Caroline Brown\* (CB) Chairman; Hubert Carr\* (HC) Vice Chairman; Susan Leveritt (SL) Former Secretary; Paula Sabine\* (PS) Treasurer; Cheryl Allen\* (CA); Louise Herrity\* (LH); Hilary Porter (HP); Ian Seifert (IS); Fran Smith\* (FS); Sheila Baddeley, acting Secretary. Other attendees numbered **68** \* denotes Director

**In Attendance:** Karen Brimacombe CEO,MVDC, SCCllr Tim Hall; MVDCllrs Joe Crome and Tim Ashton, Roy Allen, Elaine Arnold, Ray Brown, Gill Cappell, Ann Cardew, Bridget Carr, Pam Chouls, Jenny Christie, John Cleeve, Audrey Cleeve, Vernon Conner, Joan and David Coy, Jenny Day, Eleanor Dean, Peter and Sheila Ford, Colin Gee, Pat Harris, Paul Harrison, Percy Hawkins, Luke Jamett, Julia Jarrett, Tim Jones, Hedley Kay, Stella King, Margaret Ludford, Frank Lynes, Stan Maiden, Navin Mehta, Marian Millross, Carole Neeser, Keith Netley, J O'Rourke, Lucy Quinnell, Leslie Russell, Pauline Russell, Nigel Sabine, Terry Savage, Irene Seifert, Linda Shepherd, Peter Snell, Evelyn Stanley, Jenny Taylor, Celia Thornhill, Carol Thrift, Maarten Velzeboer, Ray Ward, Geoffrey Weir, David Wells, Gill West Pam Wilson, John Wilson, David Woodhead.

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<b>1</b>	<b>Apologies:</b> MVDCllr Emma Cussell. Martyn Williams, Heather Ward, Ann and Peter Mayor, Rosemary Dixon, Lesley Pearce, Mike and Molly Lewis, Julia Lack and Sandy Oldland	
<b>2</b>	<b>Minutes of the AGM held on 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2017</b> were approved with no amendments.	
<b>3</b>	<b>Matters Arising – CB</b> reported the resignation of Susan Leveritt as Secretary, effective 31 <sup>st</sup> May 2018. Sheila Baddeley has agreed to take on the position of Minuting Secretary temporarily effective immediately.	

4	<p><b>Chairman's Report</b> (full report online) <b>CB</b> welcomed those attending.</p> <p>(a) Thanks to <b>SL</b> for her work as Secretary, now Publicity Officer, Sheila Baddeley was introduced and will assist temporarily with minuting. Thanks also to John Wilson for LRA newsletter design and production., <b>CA, SL</b> and Lucy Quinnell for organising installation of pavement 'stars' outside theatre. The Race Night organised by <b>SL</b> was a most successful event.</p> <p>(b) Update on the Titan development – 3 of the tallest blocks originally planned are to lose 1 storey.</p> <p>ERA site in Cleve road – MVDC have turned it down. Appeal date unknown.</p> <p>(c) General Data Protection Regulations – Notification has been sent out to all LRA members.</p> <p>(d) Abraham Dixon Hall at Letherhead Institute is no longer available for hire. A new venue could be the Methodist Church Hall as from January 2019. (Confirmation has now been received).</p>	
5	<p><b>Treasurer's Report &amp; Accounts</b> (full report online) Copies of the accounts were circulated to the members at the meeting</p>	
6	<p><b>Elections/Ratifications of Directors and Officers</b> The Articles specify that this should take place every three years and so is next due in 2019.</p>	
7	<p><b>AOB</b> Tony Russell has produced a petition regarding the lack of police presence in Leatherhead town centre. MVDC have acknowledged receipt of his petition. It needs more signatures (<a href="https://chn.ge/2KPOWBh">https://chn.ge/2KPOWBh</a>)</p> <p>Roy Allen spoke about the new proposals by SES water to build a 40 foot high building for the storage of chlorine gas and pipe linking the two buildings on Hawks Hill, Fetcham. A very large project costing £9million (estimate) taking 15 months to complete. He referred to a gas leak in 2017 from SES which was alarming for the residents in the area. RA will be attending a meeting on Wed 6<sup>th</sup> June pm with MVDC Planning Committee. Leaflets produced by RA highlighted the inappropriate size and shape of the proposed development. SES are exempt from having to produce Health and Safety documentation to the council. This was confirmed by <b>FS</b>.</p>	
8	<p><b>Date of Next Meeting:</b> Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2018</p>	
9	<p><b>The business of the Annual General Meeting was concluded at 8.10 pm</b></p>	

<b>10</b>	<p>Speakers: 1. Karen Brimacombe, Chief Executive Officer of Mole Valley District Council 2. Tim Jones with update on Leach Grove Wood status</p> <p>Summary</p> <p>KB mentioned a transport study would be implemented for Leatherhead but was unable to say when. There has been a reduction of staff levels in MVDC. But they are looking to increase enforcement. A recent appointment for Head of Services has been made.</p> <p>Increased monitoring at Leatherhead Leisure Centre.</p> <p>A member of the audience asked KB why no H&amp;S certificates from SES were required for planning. KB said that there are controls but not under planning. Another question was about travellers encamped at Forty Foot Wood park. Tony Russell asked again about the desirability of a police presence in Leatherhead town centre. There were comments about the deteriorating state of the High street and lack of footfall. MVDC have engaged with a firm to re-design the use of the Swan Centre and High Street. The suggestion that the High street should be more open to vehicles was met with some disagreement.</p> <p>Tim Jones gave an update on Leach Grove Wood obtaining village green status. The outcome should be known by the end of July 2018.</p> <p>End of meeting 9.45 pm.</p>	
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