

## ***Hastings Old Town Residents Association***

### **Minutes of a meeting of the Management committee held 9<sup>th</sup> February 2010**

ATTENDANCE Present were Mary Alloway Sue Bower Shirley Hawley Ann Novotny June Prior Elisabeth Stevens Kim Stallwood Philip White Dick Edwards In attendance Cllr Richard Stevens [Chris observing] Apologies B Nicol

MINUTES of 8/12/09 agreed. MATTERS ARISING 20 MPH ZONE FOR ALL OF Old Town except A259 to be in ESCC programme from April. Foreshore Trust – consultation about land swap with HBC agreed DE to write in support.

TREASURERS REPORT NP reported Current Account £537.72 + Reserve Acc. Which includes grant for chess square. *Membership* NP asked if there was anyone willing to support her with the workload. PW kindly offered. WEBSITE KS explained why there was limited flexibility for comments on line. Agreed that NP KS and DE meet to look at ways of reducing costs for internet.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT DE reported on

- Closure of 3 local secondary schools decision.
- Academies Governance - DE to write to Julian Crampton V/C Brighton University about inclusion of ESCC
- Sussex Coast College Hastings – leaflets distributed about the new building and range of courses available
- NHS Older People Health Plan – recent meeting about changes. + New dementia advisory worker at St Annes hospital
- Outdoor Gym on Pelham beach – agreed to apply to Big Lottery fund
- Pelham MUGA – revised quote of £107k accepted.
- Bexhill / Hastings Link Road – leaflet distributed
- Workers Wheels proposal – submitted to HBC
- Jerwood Foundation – book about their story to be shared by committee
- SCAMBuster campaign by Trading Standards about rogue traders
- Network Rail – plans to reduce services from Hastings were discussed.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS Proposal from Crest Playgroup to reposition some gravestones to create a playspace. Agreed that we would not oppose but would urge them to use gate into Church Passage as their normal entrance [for Safety]

MEMBERS CONCERNS – Alcohol + under-age drinking especially in Swan Ave; fight outside Hastings Arms / Dragon Bar Sun 7/2. Ali Ali restaurant wish to become a bar; bullying of local resident who objected to noisy behaviour in George St [DE to refer to HBC]. Small work force to 'green' Swan Ave. Broken lights around Boating lake. Lloyds pharmacy High St – works underway. FUTURE PROGRAMME Committee 9/3 @ Anns 13/4 @ Dicks. AGM Fri 7<sup>th</sup> May Steve Manwaring HVA to talk about Open space + Community facility. Allotment Party Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> July [t.b.c]