

Hastings Old Town Residents Association

Minutes of a meeting of the Management Committee held 15/6/10

ATTENDANCE J.Prior A.Novotny B.Nicol N.Port E.Stevens S.Hawley S.Bower P.White M Alloway D.Edwards Apologies – Kstallwood + Cllrs Stevens & Hodges
MINUTES of 11/5/10 agreed. MATTERS ARISING –letter from Michael Foster, agreed to invite him to become a Vice President. Amber Rudd MP has agreed to becoming President. Meeting planned about Jack in the Green 2011 details.

TREASURERS REPORT NP reported balances – Current Acc. £1,283.92 and Reserve Acc. £4,039.38 inc £3,500 due to Leigh Dyer. MEMBERSHIP PW surge in payments since April – 178 paid inc 63 new/returning members 44% on email. WEBSITE agreed to include monthly newsletter from East Sussex County Cllr.

CHAIRMANS REPORT included

- Chess Square – formal opening 13/7 at 4.00. Invitees +details + wording for 2 noticeboards agreed. + try to run a Saturday morning Chess Club[AN volunteered : Chess federation to be asked to help]
- Pelham beach MUGA – complete by end of June and open for use. Search for a name – letter to schools, youth groups etc including booking Use HBC system and fees. Formal opening in Hastings Week.
- Year Plan a range of issues discussed and agreed for action this year.
- 1} Conduct survey of all households to find out what residents would like in the new Community building and on the Open Space.[Traders included].
- 2} Isabel Blackman Centre – ensure Community hub idea develops
- 3} Foreshore trust – return of responsibility to Town Hall – need to check
- 4} new academies – poor role for communities –strong campaign needed
- 5} Outdoor Gym – fundraising effort
- 6} Parking – progress being made on On Street provision – keep an eye
- 7} **Story telling festival** – agreed to persuade others and work up the idea of an annual festival involving schools, clubs, writers and actors
ALSO Jerwood *FULL DISCUSSION AT JULY MEETING.*

PLANNING BN reported on Swan Terrace cottage – major works inc new roof. Members felt it should match neighbouring roofs as closely as possible. Old Custom House – licence application.HOTRA to ask only with food and up to 6.00 and not transferable/ extendable when business changes ownership.

MEMBERS CONCERNS included Tourist coaches [set down / pick up controls] Condition of pavement from Flamingo Park to roundabout.. Mermaid café spreading over all available pavement. Size of delivery lorries. East Hill lift – cost, reliability ; style of proposed café at top. Need for another Cash dispensing machine. Dogs mess at Firehills [Country park]

FUTURE PROGRAMME Committee 13/7 @ NP 10/8 if necessary; 7/9 @SB Allotment party 18/7 – tickets, tasks, catering, Raffle prizes.