

Hastings Old Town Residents Association

Minutes of a meeting of the Management Committee held 16/10/12 at Garden Cottage.

ATTENDANCE Present were Phil White, Shirley Hawley, Elisabeth Stevens, Kate Francis, Sue Bower, Ann Novotny, Kim Stallwood, Dick Edwards + Cllrs Dawn Poole , John Hodges

Apologies were received from Jill Bradley, Bruce Nicol, Richard Stevens

MINUTES of 11/9/12 were AGREED. There were no MATTERS ARISING.

REPORTS Treasurer PW – Paid members 175 [69% on email] Balances – Santander £400; Co-op £1,225; Paypal £105; Subs to be banked £50.

New Co-op Storytelling account £12,752 with £131 due to printers.

Community Network – KF advised real danger of IBC being closed when ESCC make cuts of £34million. Final decision at Lewes on 12 February 2013.

Website KS advised that due to other commitments he will have to stand down after Christmas.

Agreed to ask for a volunteer in the Parish News

CHAIRMANS REPORT

- Ridge Fire Station -proposal to downgrade – Agreed to write to Amber Rudd + ESCC
- Boating Lake meeting debrief – concern that the current leaseholder is only playing catch-up. Needs to do more and soon. Lease queries remain.
- 2012 Storytelling Festival – Maximum Arts Council grant [importance of application from a ‘non-Arts’ group + large number of local grants]. Programme leaflet well received. Committee to distribute in week beginning 29/10
- High St Traders – new Chair KC @ Jenny Lind + Vice Chair Harris Woodcock. Plans for Childrens Christmas Party [with Winkle Club]; more regular markets.
- Winkle Island – application sent to Veolia Environmental Trust
- Licensing – Wasabe Hut – our objection declined by HBC. London Trader application for longer hours granted despite opposition by Sussex Police and residents. From 1st October live music in pubs is no longer subject to a license.

PLANNING – Crown Inn – proposal to build a house at rear facing Crown Lane opposed. Any proposals to build Conservatories in Conservation areas like the Old Town should be controlled

FUTURE PROGRAMME Committee 13/11@ Sue Bowers. 11/12 @ ?