

Hastings Old Town Residents Association

Minutes of the Management Committee held 13/11/12

ATTENDANCE Shirley Hawley Kate Francis Sue Bower Dick Edwards Cllr John Hodges. Apologies –J Bradley B Nicol A Novotny E Stevens R Stevens P White K Stallwood Clr D Poole

MINUTES of 16/10/12 were agreed. No MATTERS ARISING
REPORTS Treasurer PW had circulated the latest figures. Agreed in principle to purchase a replacement laptop. Winkle Island appeal – Veolia Trust asked that our constitution be amended by adding All income shall be applied to supporting the work and agreed priorities of the Association. This will need to be confirmed at the AGM in May. Website – 2 people have expressed an interest in taking this over in the Spring.[KS,PW +DE to follow -up]

CHAIRMANS REPORT

- Saturation Policy document – now with HBC. They will consider issues later.
- Ridge Fire Station – meeting held 7/11. Not convinced that this is not a budget cut in disguise. Limited trust and confidence in their ability to handle major incidents in Old Town – or respond within national guidelines to places like Fairlight/Pett were raised. High number of highly paid senior officers !
- 21012 Storytelling Festival – programme underway – many events in the Old Town.
- High Street Traders – Childrens Christmas Party 15/12. Concerns about decorative lighting wires and prompt removal of decorations [promised by 13/1].
- Courthouse Street – there will be consultation about a lockable gate positioned outside Stone Corner with all requiring access being given a key. John Hodges was thanked for all his efforts over a long time to get ESCC to this point
- Flagstone paving in All Saints +High Street – Some work ‘about to happen’. Suggested that surplus from On Street parking in Old Town be spent on more/better maintenance. Seafront car parks are being improved in 2013 by the Foreshore Trust – extra spaces, Pay on Exit. + Hopefully electronic display boards with spaces available listed.

MEMBERS CONCERNS Street lighting in Croft Terrace

FUTURE PROGRAMME Management Committee – 11/12@BN, 15/1@ ? AN or SB t.b.c.

New Year HOTRA newsletter to all households will include appeal for volunteer tradesmen to repair lych gate into All Saints churchyard from Tackleway. Timber will be donated.