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ONF SC Meeting 16th Mar 2023 – Runnymede Room, Ottershaw VH 7pm

Those Present: Jane Tilley, Bob Oliver, Julie Last, Nigel Eastment, Gemma Pickett, Brian Williams.

Apologies: Hannah Lane, Thomas Gundacker

Minutes of last meeting- Chair/Sec – (2nd Mar 23)

Approved. Minutes would be uploaded to website. **Action TG**

Communications/Publicity/Social Media – Chair

GP has agreed to deal with social media postings and presented a sample of 'snippets' for info on SC work and other topical matters, it was agreed she would make postings without the necessity to clear through the SC.

It was suggested that a new mailshot/newsletter be produced - double sided A5 before the AGM, with updates on the following topics:

BO – Brockhurst, Hedgerows and Trees, **JT** – OE, **GP** – Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL), **BO** -Highways and NP Update, **JL** – Surgery. **GP** requested this info by the end of week 24th March.

ACTION: NE, JT, GP, JL & BO Complete by 24 March.

It was agreed we would canvas for the two vacant SC posts, a Deputy Forum Secretary and Lead on RBC Planning applications to be included on all messaging prior to AGM.

Community Infrastructure – **BO** had circulated a likely list of areas where the available funds could be spent, this is all up for discussion, the wider community to be consulted. The mechanisms for this were still TBD.

Neighbourhood Plan – BO

Education Section. Paul Kennedy had agreed to review our draft. (The Good Shepherd Trust)

Medical Section. Chris Turner had agreed to review our draft. (Ottershaw Surgery)

BO is assimilating the Appendices, formatting to obtain uniform style, **BO** and **JT** to work on this, the SC will then review.

ACTION: BO/JT.

Plan Review Process. After SC Review, Locality to do next check, then passed to RBC to do full check before independent inspector does full check before referendum.

GP Surgery Location. Ongoing work and enquiries to establish situation at OE site and suggestions for alternative sites ongoing.

Ottershaw East Housing/SANG

BO It has been confirmed by RBC that the conditions applied will be only those in the officer's recommendations.

BO A letter has been sent to Louise Walters RBC planning officer for OE regarding the schedule of actions/activities.

JT confirmed there has still been no response to the letter sent to Ashley Smith in January and she has now resent it.

BO confirmed that we were also still outstanding a response from Rachel Raynaud regarding the emerging plan policies.

SANG. – **BO** had written to the Land Trust who will be managing the OE SANG to inform of issues and seek advice.

Planning Apps – JL

BO confirmed the ONF is now receiving relevant planning apps as requested. We were not yet certain whether this was our NA only or the requested 1km buffer zone also beyond our NA. **BO** would monitor.

In response to HL comments **BO** had written to RBC regarding possible damage to Forge Oak foundations in respect of PA RU.23/0104.

Brockhurst: Outline planning is underway, a letter has gone to Jonathan Hulley expressing concerns from the outset, it has been suggested that we could produce our own artists impression for a more favourable and Ottershaw sympathetic building.

Travis Perkins: Site is now also up for sale. It was agreed we should chase PA status with RBC in the coming weeks.

ACTION: BO to Chase.

Finance – BO -Now finalised accounts for current year.

Website /IT – BO to discuss WiX permissions for GP blogging and posting.

ACTION: BO

AOB – All

AGM. - **JL** Preparation work is in hand with JL, TG and BO.

Tree Issues SCC. – **NE** has raised a FOI request which has been acknowledged.

JL has outstanding action to follow up on her letter to SCC

Englefield Green NP Consultation. Out for 6 week review. No one had reviewed yet.

BO – Has a response on the SANG requirements from RBC, who suggested we send our comments to Peter Snow, Sylvia White and Natural England.

ACTION: BO.

CASTLE Asset of community value application. Has sat in RBC unresolved/unapproved but we have not chased to date. Concerns were aired that the Castle may again be becoming at risk of freehold sale. SC agreed we should pursue the application. **BO** awaiting further response from RBC.

Meeting with Hunts to be rescheduled **BO and JL**

BW setting up meeting with Trident.

ACTION: BW.

Ottershaw Highways. There has been a meeting with BO, Carl and Jim Nicol to discuss the various issues and suggest some measures to implement as first steps.

JT suggested we ask Carl Mann to attend SC meetings periodically so that we can all share local news/issues with RBC and community.

Afternote: CM to attend next SC Meeting.

Meeting concluded 9.30 pm.