

**Northaw and Cuffley Residents' Association**  
**Minutes of meeting held by Zoom**  
**4 March 2021**

**Present:**

Michael Green Chair  
Mike Clark IT/Web  
Diane Draper Treasurer  
Linda Stubbs  
Stan Buckley

**7 Apologies**

There were none

**2. Visitors**

Bonnie Lythgoe

**3. Conflicts of Interest**

There were none

**4. Minutes of Meeting held by Zoom on 4 February 2021**

Minutes approved

**5. Matters arising**

SB had been in touch with Parish Council concerning the flooding of the culvert and was informed that contractors are waiting for the water level to subside before they can take any action. The boardwalks will be looked at again in the Spring. SB is to contact the Parish Clerk again for an update regarding the dumping of builders' rubbish & tree cuttings in Homewood which appear to be coming from the properties in The Ridgeway.

**6. IT & Website**

MC now in a position to make updates to website.

Discussions took place about continuing with LCN for hosting website, since they have moved premises their service has deteriorated and it has been very difficult to contact them with any queries. MC will look at other web providers and MG to write to LCN to say we are not satisfied with the service currently provided.

**7. Admin**

Initial thoughts were put forward regarding the AGM and a date to be agreed. LS suggested in view of the current climate regarding the uncertainty of any further restrictions due to the Covid 19 it was better to agree the AGM to be held by Zoom rather than have to cancel a "live" meeting. Printing and distribution of leaflets was discussed MC to look at the leaflet and if any alterations are necessary or if anyone has any suggestions to go on the leaflet which will not be accompanied by an envelope.

The financial year which is January to December was also discussed and the payments of subs possibly to be brought in line with this.

It has been agreed the AGM will take place by Zoom during the NCRA meeting on Thursday 3 June 2021.

## **8. Treasurer's Report**

DD reported that subs were still coming in and the 2020 accounts had been passed to the Accountant for checking.

It has become difficult to marry up some bank payment subs a clear reference is required such as address as some residents have the same name but a different address.

SB had a brief discussion with MG about banking on line.

There had been some confusion with the Bank not issuing MG with the necessary details as 2 signatories were required for the signing of cheques and the same applies for on line banking that payments have to be authorised by a second person, the Bank have been contacted and MG is to be issued with the details to allow his authorization of any payments issued. The Bank have also been contacted once again for the authorization of a third signatory should this be needed and this has been ongoing for some time.

## **9. Planning**

The monthly planning applications for Northaw & Cuffley had been reviewed and the list forwarded to the Committee. It was noted a property in Northaw had constructed a large extension without planning permission and far exceeding permitted development. This had been drawn to the attention of Welwyn & Hatfield Council and a planning application for a slightly reduced size had been submitted.

## **10. Precis Reports**

### **10.1 *Police/Owl*** – None

### **10.2 *Parish Council*** –MC said the PC were putting in a lot of time and work along with the volunteers for the neighbourhood plan.

Discussions had taken place regarding the relaying of the path at Northaw playing field, also the tennis court and the playground area where suggestions were invited.

### **10.3 *Kidston Insitute*** – Remains closed for recreational purposes due to Covid 19. The pre-school is still operating.

### **10.4 *Cuffley Hall*** – Remains closed due to Covid 19.

### **10.5 *PPG*** - The zoom meeting arranged for 10 February did not take place as Dr. Taylor & Claire Hourihan were unable to attend due to pressure of work. Claire did send through a brief update to say there had been an incredibly high uptake and all patients in the top 4 categories had been invited to receive the vaccine.

## **11. Co-opting of Committee Members**

It was with great pleasure that Bonnie Lythgoe had been co-opted on to the Committee.

New Committee Members are required to bring the Committee to full strength.

## **12. Questions from the Public**

There were none

## **13. A.O.B**

LS had again inspected the NCRA notice boards at Cuffley Station and confirmed one had now been moved to the bottom of the stairs. LS & MC to have further discussions about what could go in these boards perhaps one poster rather than several small items. It was also discussed that perhaps a notice could go on the notice board in Cuffley Village, it appears the notice board at Northaw Village Hall seems to have been removed.

14. The meeting closed at 9.10pm