

Minutes of the meeting of the Merrymeet & Pengover Green Residents' Association held on Tuesday 11th October 2011 at 7:30pm in St Mary's Church, Merrymeet

Present: Alan Hartshorn (Chair), Mark Battie, Bill Cox, Pam Day, Brian Taylor,

Apologies received from: Brian Arthur, Bryan Ugalde, Nola Venton, Mary Whitehead, Phil Whitehead, Gary Williams

All were welcomed to the meeting by the Chair.

1. Minutes of the meeting held on 6th September 2011 were approved and signed.

2. Matters arising from the previous meeting:

2.1 WEBSITE – no change from previous meeting; some additional material waiting to be input.

2.2 COMMUNAL AREA – has passed an inspection by the Big Lottery Fund with flying colours. Letters of support were sought from parents of young children in the village; these were forwarded to Alan within a very short time scale and thank yous had been sent for their prompt response.

There is a generous allowance in the funding for an opening ceremony and for the first year's maintenance.

The latter could be used for the purchase of equipment for maintenance e.g. strimmer and hedge trimmer.

Bryan Ugalde has decided to stay on the committee for the time being.

There was discussion on the purchase of a shredder from the Residents' Association funds which could be used for chipping garden waste following the problems with people dumping unsuitable waste for burning.

2.3 ACCOUNTS – balances: **£3892.36** (Current Account) and **£1193.06** (Deposit Account).

2.4 CHAPEL – the developer has made a start on clearing out the Chapel. He is within his rights to erect a fence around the border of his property but has not done so at present. If he does, it may cause problems when any new graves require digging.

2.5 SPEED LIMIT – pending; Alan has chased but the sale of the chapel may have some bearing on a final decision.

2.6 ROAD CLOSURE – scheduled from 24th October to the 4th November for patching works.

2.7 NEWSLETTER – Pam circulated a draft copy; a couple of amendments to be made before the final version is issued.

2.8 CARAVAN PARK AT TRENGROVE – the proposal has been dropped and relevant correspondence filed for future reference.

2.9 VISIBILITY ON CORNER – the shrubs that had been reducing the visibility on the corner with the A390 have been trimmed and were no longer an issue.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

PD Mentioned the website that Gary had circulated the details of, which shows where road accidents had occurred and the severity of them.

BT Ernie Dixon had informed him that the Police Liaison meetings had ceased but a representative is willing to come out to the local community if there are any concerns.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 6th December 2011 at 7:30 pm at Red Fox Grange (with drinks and nibbles).