

## THORPE WARD RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2020

**Open Forum:** The Chairman opened the proceedings by wishing everyone present a very happy New Year. As there were no questions from the membership at this stage this item was closed.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:** The minutes of the December 2019 meeting were read and approved by the committee and signed off by the Chairman.

A report was produced of a Small Business conference attended by a committee member, showing the Council's services and responsibilities. Also, members were encouraged to attend a meeting held in Chertsey by Insp Pinkerton and the Police & Crime Commissioner.

**Councillors Reports:** These had been distributed to the committee prior to meeting.

Cllr MF (Surrey) expanded on his report, schools are keen to have more EHCP plans for the more plans the more funds they attract from central Government. Windsor and Maidenhead Council have still to decide if they are going to raise their share of the funding for the River Thames scheme or drop out of the scheme entirely. It was reported that Surrey looks after 19000 Adults and childcare of which 25% of these take 48% of the budget.

**Association Officers Report:** All available reports were circulated prior to the meeting. The Treasurer reported that since his report was written the 2019 Accounts had been examined and had been signed off as correct and in order. The Vice Chairman reported that the next litter picking outing will be on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> January and he confirmed that the TWRA response to the Thorpe Neighbourhood Plan had been sent under Regulation 14 responses. It was also suggested that we should invite the Neighbourhood Watch team in to give a presentation to the next meeting, this was unanimously agreed.

**Town Planning and Allied Matters:** As the Planning Secretary was absent and there appears to be no applications on the RBC Planning Portal there would appear nothing to discuss. It was requested that Cllr LG investigate this problem. One application had surfaced not in the flood zone and with one objection, it was decided that this was a neighbour matter and no letter of objection sent.

We have been advised that we can send a speaker to the Planning Committee meeting to object to the Electrical Sub Station at Thames Retreat, but as the EA have removed their objection and the Officers are going to recommend the go ahead there seems little point.

Coltscroft application for 84 units has been turned down, it is understood that they intend to appeal.

It was acknowledged that the Thorpe Neighbourhood Forum has received the comments from the TWRA and the TNF were working through them at the present time.

**Any Other Business:** A caravan had been dumped in Mill Lane and had been reported to RBC and Police it was removed within 24 hours.



The questionnaire sent out in the Mail Chimp raised three replies out of 252 recipients basically stay the same, although we do get about 70% of members reading the weekly output.