

THORPE WARD RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 8th JUNE 2020

Open Forum: There were no questions from the membership in this section and therefore was closed.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: The minutes of the April meeting were agreed and approved by the committee and signed-off by the Chairman.

Councillors Reports:

Cllr LG explained that most of her focus had been on forward planning at RBC including looking at home working in the future, also the yellow bus scheme was under review.

Cllr EG attended a planning meeting re Bellbourne Nurseries for a hotel and several bungalows on the site, this was deferred until the actual number of bungalows was decided upon. Permission to erect 26 sets of gates on the Wentworth Estate was refused. Other problem areas were discussed including Green Lane.

Cllr MH reported that a raid had taken place on a property at Ashleigh Avenue and she had received a number of complaints about overgrowing hedges covering the various footpaths, otherwise the area had been very quiet.

Discussions took place regarding Green Lane as it is an unadopted road SCC have little powers over the lane, although it is still covered by the Highways Act 1980 Other areas of the village where vegetation have grown over the footpaths were mentioned and questions were asked as to what you are allowed to do?

Cllr MF (Surrey) He stated that as one would expect Covid-19 was keeping the council busy, A Nightingale facility had been commissioned and will be a full discharge unit. But the funding gap at the current time standing at £23 million due to increased expenses and greatly reduced income, in theory this will be covered to a great extent by Government, when they get round to it. Community Recycling sites are slowly reopening but expect long queues at these places.

Association Officers Reports: All available reports were circulated to the committee prior to the meeting. The Vice Chairman reported that there was a fallen tree in the Moat Ditch and this had been reported to the EA

Town Planning and Allied Matters: All new planning applications had been circulated to committee members prior to the meeting and these were subsequently discussed in full at the meeting and where appropriate letters would be sent to RBC expressing the Associations objections.

Cllr LG explained that RBC wanted to see support from Residents re the proposed Judo Club at Thorpe Green, however this was outside the rules governing the operation of TWRA but individual members of the committee were encouraged to write in and express their support in a personal capacity.

The Runnymede Local Plan will be going to full council on 16th July to be approved. Also, nothing of significance in respect of Thorpe. Although SL8 final paragraph did state 250 homes on the Muse development as opposed to 200.



The Thorpe Neighbourhood Plan has entered Regulation 15 phase.

Communication promotion and news items; A new email has been set up for residents to contact us at contact@thorpewardresidents.org.uk.