

## Hastings Old Town Residents Association Committee meeting 13/12/16

### ATTENDANCE:

Cllr Tanya Charmin  
Dick Edwards  
Christiane Gunzi  
Shirley Hawley  
Bruce Nichol  
Ann Novotny  
Satu Pitkanen  
John Reynolds  
Richard Stevens

APOLOGIES: Richard Platt, Phil White, Vivienne Harrison, James Bacon, Dawn Pool, Hazel Lloyd

MINUTES of 13/12/16 and any MATTERS ARISING not listed below - HBC bid to the Lottery Dream Fund for work on the beach with young people was unsuccessful.

### REPORTS

- DE has not heard back from Amber Rudd re. small fire appliances on West St.
- Stade Amusements - DE now has contact details for Luxury Leisure, new owners, but no idea yet what they intend to do with the area. Wait and see.
- HOTRA portal - volunteer is still needed to help Satu with events data.
- Hastings Community Network - volunteer needed for meetings every 2 months.

### CHAIRMANS REPORT

- Old Town Crime - DE has now sent letter to Katy Bourne, highlighting increase in petty and serious crime in OT. Increase in burglaries, drug dealing, etc. Awaiting response. Suggest request a CCTV on High Street re. drug dealing.
- Police precept consultation. Local commanders are Dai Roskilly and Rosy Ross. Borough council has advised council to work closely with local commanders rather than the crime commissioner (TC).
- Seafront water play proposal - Hannah Brookshaw is council officer responsible for this facility. However, combination of children running in and out of water, speeding cyclists, pedestrians and seated picnickers is potentially hazardous. The water play area must be large enough to make it feasible. NB JANUARY agenda.
- Rock a Nore surgery - rumour about a needle exchange provision at surgery. DE has written to Craig Namvar, but still no response on this. Suggestion that Plaza Health would be a better place for needle exchange service.
- HBC Heritage Strategy - report on important buildings. DE attended meeting but no Heritage lottery funding was on offer for Hastings Castle.
- Parking surplus - there is surplus of £239,000 for 2015/16. DE suggests this could be used for Rock a Nore and West Street. NB: pursue with vigour! Big feature in JANUARY newsletter.
- Old Town Hall - new lessee has now applied for change of use to D2. Anne Scott has raised objections. Bruce N will support Anne's objection by submitting an objection on behalf of HOTRA.

PLANNING MATTERS BN to report including approval of West Hill pavilion proposal. Demolition and re-erection of Shepherd's Cottage in Barley Lane. Dismantled dwelling at 3, Coburg Place. But what to object under?

#### MEMBERS CONCERNS

Richard - waste and recycling dept complaint. Fly tipping posters need replacing at Creek. Kier service remains inadequate.

Ann N - bottles never collected on The Croft. Why not?

Dick - why is no Xmas tree or flowers in St Clements's Church?

FUTURE PROGRAMME New Year newsletter - to printers w/b 2/1/17 then shared out to distributors 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> for delivery a.s.a.p.

#### COMMITTEE

5pm, Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> January at Ann Novotny's.

February at Vivienne's on a Weds.

DE suggests a roving day for the New Year, so not always on a Tuesday.

Also suggests meeting earlier, possibly at 4pm. To be decided later.

AGM speaker any suggestions?

AOB