



Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, 5th October 2016 at 8.30 p.m.
Venue: The Jubilee Room, Bisley Village Hall.

Present: Norman Holden – BRA Chairman
Jim Clarke – BRA Vice-Chairman
Liz Colvin – BRA Secretary
Alex Summers - BRA Treasurer
Ray Colvin - BRA Membership Secretary
Chris Bixley - Committee Member
Jean Hope – Committee Member

David Mansfield – SHBC
Wynne Price – SHBC
Adrian Page – Surrey Country Council
Members of Bisley Residents Association
Total of 39 attendees

1. Apologies for absence received from

Dave Grist, Sue Smith, Angela Stagg, Jo Coombes

2. Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting of Bisley Residents Association 8th October 2014

Copies of the minutes were available for all attendees. Minutes were confirmed as fair and accurate (Proposed: Ray Colvin, Seconded: Hester Clarke) and signed by NH

3. Matters arising

There has been no further information about cycle routes.

We have not yet used Facebook as a means of communication .

We agreed that only advertisements for local groups and activities would be in the Newsletter, not commercial advertisements. BRA does not wish to compete with the Parish Magazine.

4. Chairman's Annual Report

Norman Holden presented his annual report. The report is on file and will be posted on the website.

5. Statement of Account and Treasurer's report – Alex Summers (Treasurer)

Copies of the independently examined Statement of Account for the period ending 31st August 2016 were available in the room. AS thanked Elizabeth Ward for once again examining the accounts and the Parish Council for their annual donation towards the cost of the Newsletter.

The accounts were accepted (Proposed: Russell Hayes, Seconded: Barbara Rothwell) and signed by NH.

The accounts and the treasurer's full report are on file.

JC thanked AS for his report and year of book keeping.

6. Membership issues and annual subscriptions - Ray Colvin (Membership Secretary)

RC thanked all those who had already paid for 2016/2017. Current household membership is the same as last year at 102. 23 (+ 19 who paid this evening, total 42) have paid to October 2017. This is still quite small when there are about 1400 houses in Bisley. RC said that membership subscriptions still come in during the year, particularly after delivery of the Newsletters. He will send out reminders in November and again in January when unpaid members are removed from our lists. RC again asked members to encourage friends and neighbours to join BRA. To save on finances, Email is used to communicate where possible and RC asked for members to advise him if their email address changes. Those not on email will continue to receive hard copies of AGM notifications.

7. Election of new officers and committee members.

Nomination forms had been distributed with AGM notices and were available at the meeting, along with a description of the role of Officers. The committee and officers for 2016/2017 were elected as follows:

Chairman – Norman Holden (Proposed: Elizabeth Ward, Seconded: Barabara Rothwell)

Vice Chair and

Newsletter Editor– Jim Clarke (Proposed: Russell Hayes, Seconded: Gerry Bixley)

Secretary - Liz Colvin (Proposed: Marilyn Meller, Seconded: Yvonne Wakefield)

Treasurer – Alex Summers (Proposed: Peter Rothwell, Seconded: Hester Clarke)

Membership Sec

and Webmaster – Ray Colvin (Proposed: Gordon Sutton, Seconded: Fred Wakefield)

Committee – Chris Bixley

& Jean Hope (Proposed: Hester Clarke, Seconded: Helen Humphries)

NH thanked all the committee for their hard work.

8. The prize draw of a bottle and chocolates was won by Colin Willis.

9. Any other (notified) business –

Adrian Page, who had not been at the Forum earlier in the evening, spoke about the proposed merge of the West End and Bisley Surrey Heath Borough Councillors. This would mean there would be three councillors representing both villages instead of two for each parish. The two Parish Councils would remain. As there is a possibility that Bisley could be moved into Woking Borough Council under changes in the constituency boundary changes, AP thought that being linked with West End would mean this may not happen. JC asked which town those present favoured for shopping – Woking or Camberley. The vote was equal. When asked if Bisley should stay with Surrey Heath, the majority present agreed.

AP also said he had a vested interest in Highway matters. Although it was disappointing that the speed limit on the A322 had not been reduced to 30, surveys were being done to ensure sensors are better to keep traffic flowing. With regard to cycle routes, he thought that the proposed plan had been dropped and people would probably continue to use footpaths on the A322.

There was also disappointment that the speed limit on Warbury Lane had been reduced to 40 not 30. The PC are now asking for the 30 sign on Church Lane to be moved back to the Surrey Heath sign.

RC asked about why the warning signs for proposed roadworks keep appearing and then disappearing with nothing being done. AP said this was probably a funding issue.

Fred Wakefield commented on the apparently increasing air traffic over Bisley going to Farnborough.

Claire McConnell, the new Head Teacher at Bisley Primary School has written to all the parents to explain the parking and voluntary one way system near the school to try to ease congestion for residents.

10. The date for the next Bisley Residents Association AGM is Wednesday 11th October 2017

11. NH reminded our members of the Quiz Night on Friday 18th November and gave notice of the Bonfire on Saturday 5th November.

The meeting closed at 9.15p.m. with refreshments being served afterwards.