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Minutes of the TBRA Meeting on
28/3/19 at 7.30 p.m.

Those Present

John Orr (Chair) Cliff Green (Vice-Chair)
Lesley Berry (Secretary) Ron Ellis, Bill Fuller,
Derek Walker, Terry Walker, Liz O'Shea,
Barbara Willis, Tina Douglas, Shelia Taylor,
Rosemary Englander, Neasham Galleney,
Craig Hawthornthwaite (TVP) Paul Colborne (TVP)
Teresa Sullivan, David Lee.

Apologies - None

The Chair welcomed everyone and asked
Craig and Paul from the Thames Valley
Police to update us on crime figures for
Twicken Bridge. They did not have any to hand
but were willing to take questions and
answer queries.

There were as follows:-

- 1) A car parked on Council land with no proper
licence plates.
A Technically, no crime has been committed, but
the police would look into it and advise
the registered keeper.
- 2) A Gas Bottle exploding next to a Chip Van.
A The Council have been told and the bottles
have been removed.
- 3) A Can we do anything about large car

Carriers coming through the estate.

A The police cannot do anything about it, but we could apply to MK Council and for the Parish Council for a 7½ ton restriction notice at both entrances to Trillick Bridge.

4) Q What can be done about a license where there are 9 cars parked on the land and in the road?

A If there is an obstruction to the path or the highway, then the police can act. If a business is being run from the house, then Trading Standards need to be made aware of it.

5) Q Can cars park on the corner of a road?

A If they are within 10 metres of the road, this is an offence. The police can take steps, firstly, by warning the offender, secondly, issuing a ticket.

The Parish Council and MK Council plan various activities and leading into the problem and trying to find a solution.

The TBRA can issue their own letters to all licensees, advising them of the problems of careless parking and asking them to more considerate or put an article in the newsletter.

6) Q How many calls - one resident has said 2 in one week*. Do the police know * which house visited in what time from the police.

Who is responsible?

A. No information at yet.

Craig and Paul are on the Thames Valley Racebook Page.

Craig will email various ways of contacting them if we need to.

The Chair thanked Craig & Paul for all that they do and for coming to speak to us.

Another Community Forum will be held soon.

Chair's Report

Council and Parish Council Elections are coming up.

European Union residents living in UK still don't know whether they will be able to vote in these elections.

It depends on what happens to our leaving (or not leaving) the E.U.

The Chair has asked the Parish Council to help ^{and} to support these residents.

John is interested in standing for TB but anybody can put their name forward. All paperwork must be in by the 4th or 5th April if you wish to stand.

Treasurer Report

This will be covered later.



Environmental Report.

All is OK. The raised beds have been done and the community garden is nearly finished. The alleyways are tidy and litter pickup is being done.

The brook at the back of Colne is blocked and there is a lot of rubbish there. It needs to be cleared. The Parish Council has cleared the pond.

There used to be a path by the beach, but this has disappeared.

We could get in touch with the Canal Trust and the Waterways and the Parish Council.

Update on Regeneration^{Mk} and NRE.

TBPA has been asked to send 4 people to a meeting on 5th April at the Council Office. This has been arranged by NRE and MK Council will be there to look at Regeneration and ^{especially} ~~about~~ ^{people} ~~view~~ ^{from} it in regard to 'People', 'Place' + 'Prosperity'.

Statistically, we are every low score in Crime, Income, Employment and Education which puts us in the category of being 'at-risk'.

How can we improve these figures?

However, we are in the top 10% in terms of Environment, which is encouraging.

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Because of the Council Elections being held soon, regeneration has been put on hold and the meeting on the 5th April, must not affect what happens at the elections.

Volunteers ^{willing} to go to the meeting were (Gordon Lee, Rosemary + Cliff (if he was available)).

MR Council are planning to definitely build 500 houses, but it could be increased to a 1000 houses. The current waiting list is 2000 people.

An average rent for a 3 bed roomed house is at present £190.00 p.w.

John went to a regeneration meeting and there was present a group that had been set up on the Ladies Estate by the Council officers and the Residents Association. When there was every unhappy about it as this new group is possibly illegal.

John made a proposal that we support the Ladies Estate Residents Association in standing up for their constitution.

He asked for a Show of Hands, and the result of this was very positive.

First Steps Working Group

The accounts for 2018/19 have now been signed off. There is a very healthy balance and some money has been ring-fenced.

Printing
Fund

We are going to buy some printer ink ^{to have an reserve} so we are proposing to move \$700 from the General Fund to the Printing Fund to enable us to do this. We have at present \$2300 in the General Fund. Don questioned this and Stacie replied that she had checked with the auditor and we were able to do this as this was General money and not ring-fenced.

Cliff asked about whether they could obtain refunds on cartridges, but apparently they are recycled, so it was probable that the answer was no.

Welcome Pack

The contents are now complete and Brian Lewis will design or booklet for us. Rosemary has a few sample pages. Photos are needed and Rosemary had had an offer from David. Photos to do with 'Health' and 'Schooling' would also be needed.

Don congratulated Rosemary and Daine for all their hard work.

John asked for a share of funds to allocate some money (\$700) for the ink and the printing. Meeting approved.

Funding Committee Update:

The constitution had been updated and the accounts signed off. This is necessary

to have in order that we may be able to obtain any grants that we need.

We have joined the Play Association and anybody who helps with children's activities has to be DBS checked and the Play Association needs to either see certificates of people who are DBS checked or help those who wish to obtain their DBS certificate.

If the Play Association will help us to get them Easter Egg Hunt. But we need to see the certificates.

This is funded by a grant from Councillor Pauline Prof and £30 as is donated by the PA as well.

Summer Events.

A Sports Event and a Picnic are 2 suggestions already made, but we do need volunteers to help with these events.

Caroline has suggested setting up a fitness booth for women to meet together for gentle exercise and a cup of tea.

A Mind Body and Spirit event could be organised in the autumn.

There is £5000 left in the grant funding for all we are there is 1 month left in which to claim it. A report needs to go to WCC.

John asked for the approval from the meeting to apply for some grant funding for the environmental team.

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\$1000 was suggested for the application - the meeting approved this request.

Bins

We need to go to the Council and see how or how not get funding.

We previously passed a proposal to ask the Council for wheelie bins.

It is not known whether Service would be able to empty these bins.

Metal Bins cost about \$17-18.

Dave asked a question at the Council about new wheelie bins being in the future and got a good response.

Update on Garages

Don has contacted the contractors and they are going to come and clean up the paths.

Big pipes still have to be put in by a different contractor.

Summer Beach Trip

People need to be consulted about where they want to go. Charles has been suggested as a possible destination. A decision will be made at the next meeting.

Easter Event? ⁹¹ (Egg Hunt).

This will take place on Tuesday,
16th April and is being organised
by Serale.

Set up is at 1.30 p.m. The event
starts at 2 p.m.

A.O.B.

The Christmas Event will take
place on 21st December.

There was no other business and
the meeting closed at 9 p.m.

Date of next meeting - 25th April.
