

CHALFONT HEIGHTS ROADS COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE THIRTYTHIRD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

held on Friday 5th February 1988

in the Chalfont Park Sports Pavilion at 8-30 p.m.

Apologies for absence from Dr. & Mrs. Grieve and Mr. J. H. Luya.

68 Residents attended.

Owing to the illness of Mr. Denis Bates the Chair was taken by the Hon. Treasurer Mr. John Williams.

Before opening the meeting formally the Chairman thanked all those residents attending and welcomed the new residents present.

The Chairman then referred to the recent retirement of Mr. Eddie Wilson and thanked him for his many years of service on the Committee and as a Trustee and there was a warm response from the floor.

The Chairman reminded residents of the recent illness of Mr. Denis Bates and was very pleased to see that he was well enough to attend the meeting and wished him a quick return to full health: this was reciprocated from the floor.

1. MINUTES

The Minutes of the thirtysecond Annual General Meeting were taken as read and on being proposed by Mr. R. G. Young and seconded by Mr. M. March were approved and signed by the Chairman.

2. COMMITTEE'S REPORT FOR 1987

The report was circulated to all residents prior to the meeting and the Chairman asked for comments from them.

a) Roads and Trees

Roads - Mr. M. March asked if the Upway spur to his house could be re-surfaced as some of the potholes were very deep and could become dangerous. He reported that the stumps at the access needed replacing together with the reflectors.

Mr. R. Ackland-Snow questioned the metal spikes referred to regarding the installation of tree stumps around the islands. Mr. Chandler assured him that they would be sunk below ground level to hold the stumps in position.

Mrs. Down complained that the entrance to Lewis Lane was very dark and asked for reflectors to be put at the corner. She said also that the stones along the verge outside 'Bochym' made it impossible to pass and were not very visible. Mr. Bates said that the stones were there to prevent residents and/or visitors from driving over the verge and that no attempt should be made to pass on such a narrow road and this should not be necessary if the speed limit was adhered to and drivers gave way to each other. The very wet winter had made it impossible to keep the stones painted white.

Mr. K. G. Smith commented on the state of the verge at the corner of Sandy Rise.

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Trees - Mrs. M. M. Wood asked who was responsible for putting preservation orders on the trees in the gardens on the west side of Lincoln road. The Chairman confirmed that this order was made by the Chiltern District Council.

b) Finance

The Hon. Treasurer said that copies of the audited accounts were available at the meeting: he reported a small deficit due to the hurricane which necessitated an outlay of about £900 for the removal of trees etc., Despite the deficit the subscriptions would remain the same for 1988 as follows:-

Full subscription - £45.00

Reduced subscription - £41.00

The adoption of the rates was proposed by Mr. K. Robey and seconded by Mr. K. Jones and approved.

In reply to a question regarding the insurance payment the Treasurer explained that it represented the annual premium for the Public Liability Policy.

Mr. Dunn asked what the payment of £2,000 was for: this was a charge made by the Trustees in cases of development including crossing the grass verge and would apply to any in-filling on the Estate.

The adoption of the accounts was proposed by Mr. Ackland-Snow and seconded by Mr. P. Aldworth and carried unanimously.

c) Trustees/Developments

There were no questions on the work of the Trustees and⁴⁶ there were no further matters arising from the Committee's report the adoption of it was proposed by Mr. M. March and seconded by Mr. G. K. Parker and carried unanimously.

5. ELECTION OF THE COMMITTEE

The Chairman announced that it was the custom for the Committee to resign with the exception of the Trustees who are permanent members. Mr. K. G. Smith proposed that the present Committee be re-elected and this was seconded by Mr. C. E. Rogers and carried unanimously.

The Committee and Trustees are as follows:-

D. A. Bates, "Bochym", Lewis Lane.	(Chairman and Trustee)
J. S. C. Chandler, "Turville", Woodside Hill. (Roads and Trees Liason)	(Trustee)
M. E. Clifton, "Little Dormers", Chiltern Hill.	(Hon. Secretary and Trustee)
J. H. Luya, "Wellingham", Lincoln Road.	(Trustee)
H. M. McKeeman, "Chiltern Cottage", Lincoln Road.	
J. W. Williams, "Hartwell", Winkers Close.	(Hon. Treasurer)

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Complaints were made by residents about the state of the road and the congestion caused by large vehicles and tractors outside the plot adjoining Turville. Mr. Dunn stated that when obtaining permission for an extension to his house it was made clear to him that building materials should not be stacked on the grass verge and he had observed this to the letter. Mr. Chandler offered his sincere apologies for the inconvenience the construction of his new house was causing - it was a very difficult site and he was forced to accept delivery of bricks in advance to obtain suitable stock bricks in keeping with the Estate and these and the scaffolding poles were stacked on the verge. He assured all residents that damage to any verge or the island would be properly reinstated and this was in the building contract.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Williams for taking the Chair in his place.

Thanks are due to the Chalfont Park Sports Club for the use of their pavilion and for providing bar facilities.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SCHEME

At the conclusion of the A.G.M. it was announced that Mrs. Maggie Smith, Merrydown, Ellis Avenue (Tel. Gerrards Cross 888547) has kindly agreed to Co-ordinate the setting up of a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme. Volunteers to assist in roads/areas are requested to contact Mrs. Smith.