

CHALFONT HEIGHTS ROADS COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE THIRTYSECOND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

held on Friday 20th February 1987
in the Chalfont Park Sports Pavilion at 8-30 pm.

Apologies for absence were received from:-

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| Mr. & Mrs. Burgess | Mrs. J. Payne |
| Mr. & Mrs. Cairns | Mr. & Mrs. Warner |
| Dr. & Mrs. Grieve | Mr. J. Nesbit |
| Mr. & Mrs Annan | Mr. & Mrs. Belton |
| Mr. G.B.Smith | |

54 Residents attended

Before formally opening the meeting the Chairman thanked the residents for attending and extended a warm welcome to those new residents present.

1. MINUTES

The minute concerning the planning application for three houses at Mount Fort was clarified by the Chairman. The planning application referred to was made by the previous owner and which was refused. The present owner had sought planning approval for one house simply in order to block any such multiple development in the future.

With this clarification the Minutes of the Thirtyfirst Annual General Meeting was confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

2. COMMITTEE'S REPORT FOR 1986

This report having been circulated to all residents prior to the meeting, the Chairman took matters arising from the report.

a) Roads and Trees

Roads - Mrs. Lafone complained again about tar appearing on a section of Chiltern Hill. Other residents in the vicinity confirmed the problem. The Chairman promised to alert the contractor but was at a loss to pin-point a reason for this, since the contractor paid special attention to this section of the road as a result of a similar problem occurring last year.

It was requested by residents situated in the upper part of Chiltern Hill to remove all the small concrete posts marking the verges, since they had mainly been uprooted by vandals.

Complaints were voiced from the floor about the state of the verge outside "Sherwood" in Lincoln Road. The Chairman reminded all residents that although the Trustees owned the freehold of the verges as well as the roads, it had always remained the responsibility of the residents concerned to maintain the verges bounding their properties to a reasonable standard.

2a continued

The cost to the Estate of maintaining all the verges by a landscape contractor would be prohibitive.

Mrs. Kendal alerted the Committee that potholes in Winkers Lane had appeared and needed filling. This was noted.

Mr. and Mrs. March thanked the Committee for installing wooden stumps at Upway corner to prevent parking of cars by non-residents when walking their dogs. This move had proved very effective.

Trees - Mr. John Chandler reiterated events leading to the creating of a long term tree programme. In order to explain and inform the residents of the plan, and the action already taken in Phase.1., a slide presentation was given at the meeting.

The meeting expressed appreciation of the comprehensive report by Mr. Riley, Forestry Officer Bucks.C.C. Mr. Chandler proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman for producing the photographs and diagrams in the presentation. This was carried unanimously.

b) Finance

The Hon. Treasurer reported an audited surplus for the year to 31st December 1986 of £1173. Whilst this looks very healthy it has to be remembered that no cost is yet charged for the planting of trees, a programme to which full commitment has been made. The cost of trees will make significant inroads into the surplus.

In response to a question from the floor it was stated that Corporation Tax has to be paid on bank interest received. There were no further questions on the accounts and they were adopted by the meeting.

The Committee proposed that the subscriptions for the Calendar year 1987 should be the same as for 1986. These were agreed and are as follows:-

Full subscription - £45.00
Reduced subscription - £41.00

The Hon. Treasurer made a strong plea for subscriptions to be paid now.

The following are reminded that their subscriptions at 31st December 1986 remain outstanding and should be paid to the Hon. Treasurer or any other member of the Committee as soon as possible;

Mr. F. Bott, Serendipity, Lincoln Road - £175.00
Mr. G.O.Maskell, Greenhedges, Lincoln Road - £45.00
Mr. J.H.Stokes, Cariads, Lewis Lane. - £115.00
Mrs. Marshall. Cobwebs, Winkers Lane - £187.00

c) Trustees

There being no questions on the work of the Trustees, and there being no further matters arising from the Committee's Annual Report, the report was unanimously adopted by the meeting.

3. ELECTION OF THE COMMITTEE

The Chairman announced that according to custom the Roads Committee resigned at this stage, with the exception of the four Trustees who are permanent members.

Mr. McKullan proposed that the present Committee be re-elected en-bloc and this proposal was carried unanimously.

The Committee and Trustees are as follows:-

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

4. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Ballantyne, Cheriton, Sandy Rise, complained that since Exclusive Cleaners had taken over the refuse collection the road was left in a very untidy condition.

It was suggested from the floor that it was not a very good idea to leave refuse bags by gates as this only encouraged predators. It was thought that refuse collectors were duty bound to empty dustbins in situ.

Further comments on this subject made by residents in Ellis Avenue revealed that some residents there, and in the upper part of Chiltern Hill, were not issued with plastic bags at all.

Mr. John Luya, while expressing sympathy with those concerned, emphasised that this matter was for individual residents to take up with the Local Council; the Roads Committee was not a Residents Association as such.

Mr. March asked if anything was known about proposed developments on Estate land. The Chairman and Mr. Luya, both Trustees, confirmed that no definite proposals had been received to date and that the Trustees' role was to react to firm proposals and not to initiate them.

There being no other business the Chairman, in closing the meeting, referred to leaflets available at the table explaining the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme. He also asked for volunteers to assist in closing the roads this year; an annual one day event.

The Chairman thanked Mr. John Luya for deputising at the 1986 A.G.M. and thanked the meeting for their very kind wishes for Mrs. Bates' speedy recovery.

Thanks are due to the Chalfont Sports Club for use of their pavillion and for providing the Bar facilities.

THE PROCEEDINGS THEN TERMINATED