Bedgrove Residents and Community Association

Registered Charity No. 1010279

Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 21 September 2021 7.30pm

Minutes

1. **Welcome and apologies for absence:** Mark Broad, Chair, welcomed everyone to the meeting.
   Committee members present: Mark Broad, Phil Droy, Jo Cheek, Trish Pullen, Sabia Chogley, Cath Marriott, Jay Sasso.
   Councillor members: Mark Winn, Tom Hunter-Watts
   Apologies had been received from Chris Barnett

2. **Minutes of AGM held on 20/6/2020:** Matters arising:
   a. **Update on Volunteer Group:** Mark Winn told the meeting that the voluntary scheme had been a huge success and shows the very best of the Bedgrove Community. They kept people fed and cheered up. The scheme will stay in place until the end of the year and then will be reviewed. He thanked all volunteers very, very much
   b. **Changes to the Constitution (expansion of area covered)** Jo Cheek reported that our application to the Charity Commission to expand our area (Taking in parts of Turnfurlong, Westmoreland and Northumberland Avenues, etc was approved in June this year.

3. **Chair's Report: Mark Broad**
   a reported that regretfully, due to Covid, we had to cancel the planned **Day In The Park** again this year but it is now planned for 9 July 2022. **Deputy Chair Phil Droy** has agreed to chair the DITP planning committee. We hope it will be even bigger and better next year and welcome any offers of help.

   b BRCA Website and Facebook page both receiving a steady traffic of visitors.

   c De-Fib in Jansel Square not yet been used (thankfully) We have received donations toward maintenance from several grateful recipients of help from the Volunteer Group

4. Treasurer's Report: Jo Cheek

Copies of the receipts and payment account for the year ending 31 March 2021 previously circulated. Jo pointed out £2000 was granted by the Council for the Volunteer Group of which £1674 remained at 31/3/21. Defib maintenance – we paid £540 for 4 years' cover. BRCA has received a total of £266 in donations, plus £301 from the Lottery.

5. Councillors' Report: Mark Winn reported on:

a Two incidents of residents taking over green spaces adjacent to their land. One issue has now been resolved and another is ongoing.

b **Hampden Fields:** Planning permission has been finally approved but the Action Group has applied for a judicial review.

c **The Aylesbury Plan** has been approved**.** Full details here: https://www.aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk/section/vale-aylesbury-local-plan-valp-2013-2033

d **Community Speedwatch:** This is an initiative where members of the public receive training to stand by the road with devices which monitor the speed of traffic, The speeds are logged and the offender receives a letter from the Police Station informing them their speeing has been recorded. Mark W has received training and invited interested volunteers to contact him.

e **Craigwell & Regent** - In response to the fenced off area it was mentioned that it was a damaged streetlight in Craigwell near Regent which had then been cut down to make safe but no further action had been taken and that the one nearby in Regent was also damaged but no repair had been done. Mark W would look into it.

f **Peter Cawley** expressed concerns about dangerous trees, a ditch running from Limes Ave which is filled with rubbish and has been the same for 4 years. Concern expressed about volunteers clearing it and also litter picking because who is going to take the rubbish away. Peter said he would like to see Mark W separately.

g **General discussion** re concerns about parking on the estate, particularly around schools

6. Newsletter: The Residents' Committee produce 2 newsletters per year edited by Jo Cheek. Contributions to the newsletter by residents always welcome.

7. Street Stewards: Anyone willing to distribute newsletters please contact Jay

8/9. Election of Officers/Committee: The following officers to the committee were elected

Chair - Mark Broad - Nominated by Jo Cheek, seconded by Trish Pullen

Vice Chair - Phil Droy – nominated by Mark Broad, seconded by Trish Pullen

Treasurer - Jo Cheek – Nominated by Cath Marriot, seconded by Mark Broad

Secretary – Trish Pullen Nominated by Mark Broad, seconded by Phil Droy

Sabia Chogley and Jay Sasso confirmed they are willing to continue as Committee Members and we have two new members**: Christine Clarke** and **Julie Edwards**.

Susan Taylor offered to help with planning group for the **Day in the Park**

10. Day In The Park: Phil Droy confirmed he is elected Chair of the DITP planning committee. The first meeting of the planning committee will be held on 19 October.

11. AOB: General discussion regarding traffic on the Tring Rd and difficulties parking outside the Chemist on the corner of Limes Ave. Mark W that link roads are planned around Aylesbury and the Council has £172m to spend on roads by 2022.

The Committee said Goodbye to Cath Marriott who is standing down due to work commitments. She was thanked for all her hard work and presented with flowers from the Committee.

The meeting closed at 9pm and all attendees were treated to tea, coffee and light refreshments.