



## Alton Eastbrooke & Wooteys Residents Association Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2015

### 1. Previous Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.

### 2. Update from Committee

All updates were covered under separate items.

### 3. Feedback from Planning Sub-Committee

John Grace, Chair of the Sub-Committee updated:

- The Highmead application would now be determined by a Government Planning Inspector. Residents could make submissions until 17<sup>th</sup> Feb, a date of 1<sup>st</sup> April has been agreed for the hearing (venue tbc). The AEWRA planning sub-committee has formulated a submission on behalf of this groups, but residents were encouraged to do the same as members of the public
- The Cadnams Farm application was deferred on 14<sup>th</sup> January. This would be heard again in March.
- The South Alton application was granted approval on 4<sup>th</sup> February.
- The Will Hall Farm application will be heard on 17<sup>th</sup> February at Alton College, with Amery Hill Residents Association speaking on behalf of residents.
- Representatives from the developers of all sites met with the Neighbourhood Plan steering group on 23<sup>rd</sup> January – notes of this meeting will be published on 9<sup>th</sup> February.

### 5. Any other business – local issues etc

1. Mary Westbrooke updated that there would be another Community Clean-up on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March, from 10.00 (meeting in Anstey Junior School). This would tie in with a town-wide litter pick at the same time, being organised by the Alton Society. All volunteers who turn up will be invited to lunch in Anstey School in the early afternoon. Please encourage friends, neighbours to get involved and maybe clean up an alleyway near you. **Action: John Geoghegan to prepare maps of the local alleyways for Mary**
2. **Action: Cllr Phillips and John Geoghegan to raise with Network Rail issue of parking & future growth of town.**

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3. A seed swap organised by Alton Local Food Initiative (ALFI) is taking place on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February at 10.00 at the Alton Methodist church.
4. Large numbers of needles are being found in alleyways around the Eastbrooke Ward. **Action: John Geoghegan to raise with the Police**
5. **Action: John Geoghegan to look into some Community Payback/ Community Service resource for the clean-up day.**
6. Radian would be undertaking a Community Investment Plan (CIP) for Alton Eastbrooke (including both Eastbrooke and Wooteys wards) which is a health-check of the community, with an action plan to address issues within the ward. This could be used to trigger multi-agency action and should be very positive. There would be a walkabout on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March – residents were welcome to attend, please contact Richard Bingham if interested. **Action: Anyone interested in attending should contact [Richard.bingham@radian.co.uk](mailto:Richard.bingham@radian.co.uk)**
7. Upcoming community events could be publicised through the Anstey Residents Group's website: <http://ansteyresidents.org.uk>
8. There is a Men's Shed being set up in Alton. This is a group who meet informally to undertake projects, build things, fix things, socialise, and make a positive community contribution. This movement has been massively successful elsewhere and anyone interested can drop in to the Assembly Rooms between 10 and 12 on February 25<sup>th</sup> to find out more. Please tell your friends and neighbours!
9. The issue of more/longer free parking spaces in the town was raised. **Action: Cllr Phillips to raise within EHDC**
10. EHDC had now reached an Agency Agreement with Hampshire County Council to carry out "lineage and signage" for the District. This should result in a more streamlined process.
11. **Date of next meeting – Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 7.00pm-8.00pm, Alton Buckle Community Building.**