



Alton Eastbrooke & Wooteys Residents Association Thursday 7th August 2014

Present

Residents: John field (Chair), Derek Holloway, Jane Briscall, Ray Briscall, Peter Field, Mary Field, Hugh McInally, Tony Souter, Colin Aiken, Steve Cook, Mary Westbrook, Thelma Anker, Scilla Raymany, Harrold Barrick, Issy Evans.

With: Peter Hicks, Alton Town Council; Cllr Dean Phillips, EHDC; John Geoghegan, EHDC

1. Previous Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.

2. Update from Committee

A bank account had been set up, and another £500 funding had been secured through the Approved By You grant process. Alton and District Residents Association was still meeting regularly, and there would be a meeting between ADRA and the Environment Agency about flood risks on potential housing sites.

3. Feedback from Planning Sub-Committee

Peter Field outlined the current position with regard to applications in Alton (see table below).

<u>Application</u>	<u>Total number of comments</u>	<u>Objections</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Positive</u>
South of Alton	112	97	11	4
Will Hall Farm	347	336	8	3
Cadnam Farm	151	150	1	0
Old Odiham Road	48	48	0	0
Molson Coors	89	60	4	25
Highmead (120 dwellings): Recent public consultation by developers, application not yet in. The developers may walk away if there is too much public pressure				

There had been a recent traffic survey on Gilbert White Way, but this might have been organised by the developers rather than Hampshire County Council.

The public notices on Cadnam Farm had been put up after the consultation period – which was in breach of Article 13 of the public notices act.

Action: All residents to take photos of flooding/traffic issues already existing in the area

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A website will greatly help this group improve its reach and raise its profile. Alton Town Council had objected to all applications that had been put in so far, however the best results would be achieved if the Town Council works *with* the developers for the best outcome, rather than solely objecting. Planning applications in Alton would be determined *in* Alton, rather than Petersfield, so long as the applications were above a certain threshold in terms of impact on the town. All houses which had permission approved since 2011 would count towards the allocation of 700 new homes for Alton. Discussions took place around the use of Section 106 receipts, infrastructure provision, and phasing of development.

Any other business – local issues etc

1. The “Upper Anstey” sign on Upper Anstey Lane was a result of an administrative error by Hampshire County Council. It would be amended and moved.
2. The extra cars seen around Marfields would be displaced from road re-surfacing taking place elsewhere locally.
3. There was an area of grass not being cut near to Harold Gardens – **John Geoghegan to raise this with relevant agency.**
4. There was an issue with rubbish being dumped in alleyways across the wards. A community clear-up day was still on the cards, and it would be communicated when this would take place.
5. Some residents felt this meeting should focus more about these community issues and less on the planning system. It was agreed with the Chair that residents wanting to focus on planning/new housing should use the Planning Sub-Committee to do so.

Date of next meeting – Thursday 2nd October 7.00pm-8.15pm, Alton Buckle Community Building

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