



Alton Eastbrooke & Wooteys Residents Association Thursday 2nd July 2015

1. Previous Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.

2. Update from Committee

There was no news from the Committee

3. Feedback from Planning Sub-Committee

The Planning Inspector has refused the appeal for the Highmead application on the basis of the environmental aspects of the application, a report from 23/06 explains more. John Field thanked all those residents who made comments on the application, and to John Grace and Peter Field for their hard work.

The site West of Old Odiham Road faces the same issues as the Highmead site. John Grace may speak on behalf of residents at that appeal on 10th September.

John F had had a positive response from the Cadnams Farm developers offering to attend a meeting. John encouraged residents to "keep their eyes" on the building works as they progressed, as there are occasions when developers did not stick to the conditions of the planning permission.

4. Southern Electric Power Distribution

Helen Humphries, Customer and Communities Advisor from Southern Electric Power Distribution gave a presentation on Community Resilience. Her role is to keep customers up-to-date with faults, act as a point of contact during power outages, and act as a point of liaison between the technicians and the customer. Her team was expanding and is looking to build up relationships with Parish Councils etc. The organisation hold a Priority Services register, which lists those customers that must take priority during power outages, for example those with medical equipment in the home, hearing or sight impaired customers, etc. Anyone interested should contact Helen to get their name listed on the register.

Free light sticks were available from Southern Electric Power Distribution which could be used during a blackout, and has a contact phone number for the organisation illuminated on the stick.

Following questions, the following points were made:

- Solar panels need electric to convert energy for light;
- During planned maintenance, the longest any homes would be without power was 9am-4pm during the winter, and 8am-6pm during the summer;

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- Power outages could occur year-round, there are no real “peak times”;
- Helen would provide details on how residents could get hold of light sticks.

5. Any other business

- John Field encouraged members to complete Shaping Hampshire Survey which will help shape where £96million cuts will fall:
<http://www3.hants.gov.uk/spendingreviewsurvey>
- There was currently a police survey out to help shape policing priorities in the local area: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/AltonsurveyJuly2015>
- There were issues with litter in the alleyways between Lansdowne Road and Park Close Road. **Action: John Geoghegan to inform colleagues at EHDC with a view to targeting these areas.** If residents feel there are problem hotspots, these can be reported to the council via the <http://www.easthants.gov.uk/customer-services/tell-council-something>
- There was an issue with cars parking on Victoria Road/Nursery Road junction, and Eastbrooke Road/Nursery Road which reduced visibility for cars entering or exiting.
Action: John Geoghegan to coordinate list of parking offence hotspots and pass it to the Civil Enforcement Officers at the Council. Offences can be reported via 0300 5550 705

Date of next meeting

The date of the next meeting will be Thursday 2nd July at 7pm at the Alton Buckle centre.

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