

Sandyhurst Lane Residents' Association
Minutes of a Meeting Held on Wednesday, 10th December, 2003 at
13 Hoads Wood Gardens

All Present: Howard Preston, Kevin Saunby, Dennis Fricker, Tim Hanley, David Hilliger, David Betts and Sue Wood.

Committee Changes: Howard introduced David Betts but said that another committee member was still needed. Howard added that he was still happy to handle Planning and Highways matters and was also involved in the Kennington Forum.

Minutes of the Last Meeting: Agreed and signed.

Matters Arising: To be covered later.

Planning:

Wards 4 (between Thompson's Field and Bryant Homes) – new foul sewer, 362-372 to reduce contamination of Penlees Stream.

Hillyfields: Another application to build a bungalow at the rear, previous attempt refused

Warrengate: Another application, this for 10 houses. SLRA objected. The previous application was withdrawn, this means that earlier objections still apply.

Goat Lees: Shop now open; owner withdrew application for illuminated sign. in favour of non illuminated one - to have some sign in place due to inaction by Planning Officer's absence on holiday.

Sandpits (1): Nicholls wanted to put 5 houses below Molehill; (2) Mrs Fagg's opposite Vine Cottage
William Harvey Hospital: Plans for new unit passed.

Highways:

Undergrowth between Sandyhurst House and Molehill cut back.

Sandyhurst lane road signs at Faversham Road end still awaited – promised for October 2002.

Goat Lees Hall:

Some of the design features requested by the hall committee not incorporated.

Kitchen finished.

Kevin assured by Michael Lake that sinking fund would not be used if hall went over budget. Found not to be so: soundproof wall and cupboards not fitted – wanted to use fund. Kevin protested – Michael Lake to try to get funding elsewhere. Application gone in for extra funding but no decision until after hall completed and unlikely before 2004.

Kevin not yet reimbursed for costs incurred setting up GLC Ltd in March.2003 No opening date yet.

Application gone in for charity status.

Sandy Acres refurbishment:

Costs unknown. Boughton Aluph Parish Council not yet received reply, blaming ABC.

Budget (ex Rita Hawes) £304,000 ABC contributed £64,000, FA £120,000, 106 Agreement £120,000.

Drainage works cost £15,000 – source of funding unknown.

CTRL:

David offered to set up website. Sue to contact Tessa re this offer.

KC Forum:

Grant obtained for youth shelters. Truancy at Towers School: sort of Neighbourhood Watch set up.
Bybrook PO not serving pupils during school hours.

Treasurer's Report:

81 paid up members.: £659.67 in the Nationwide.: £9.04 cash in hand.

Newsbrief:

Hoped to issue before Christmas.

Any Other Business:

David asked what happened to slips accompanying subscriptions – shredded.

Meeting closed at 9.15pm.