Minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Rowney Green Association
held on Tuesday 5th January 2021

Present: Andrew May (Chair), Andy Dunkers (Vice Chair), Sara Kitchen (Secretary), Rick Chima (Treasurer), Michael Corfield (Membership), Maggie Moore

Apologies: Nigel Evans, John Cypher

Note: due to Covid-19 restrictions the meeting was held by zoom and restricted to the Executive Committee and John Cypher (who reports on Planning) only. Full minutes will be issued to the standard circulation.

1. Minutes of last meeting
   The minutes of the last meeting on 10th November were approved as written.

2. Matters arising
   All are covered in the agenda.

3. Treasurer's report
   There is £1,841.31 in the bank and £229.75 cash in hand. £35 contribution towards the village lockdown memorial book was approved in July but remains unpaid to date, awaiting an invoice. It was also agreed at the meeting to fund expenses incurred through the publication of the welcome packs and to purchase two ordnance survey maps of the area for use by the villagers.

4. Membership
   It was confirmed that 122 out of 194 houses in the village are members of the RGA. It was agreed to suspend the collection of membership subscriptions falling due in 2020/1 until it is safe to do so. 26 subscriptions are currently outstanding.
   A proposal to introduce payment by BACS was discussed with a view to introducing this option in the future.

5. Planning Update
   There aren't any current Rowney Green planning applications of significance being considered by the APC planning and highways committee.
   A road sign for Rowney Green Lane warning about horse riding is still on the WCC list for installation and a SLOW road marking close to the bend by West Winds is to be added to the list.
   APC have been discussing the need to improve lighting on the A441 in Bordesley following the removal of 6 corroded footpath lighting columns.

6. Crime issues
   Neighbourhood Watch has been suspended during the pandemic however no incidents have been identified in the village.
   If there are any issues you are concerned about, please call 101 for assistance.
7. **Council issues**
The damaged drain cover on Rowney Green Lane has now been replaced.
Drainage by the Dell, Gravel Pit Lane and on the hill on Rowney Green Lane remain a concern.
The Chair has written to C Hotham (WCC) requesting support with these issues.
Road gritting has now been reinstated as Priority 1 following a request by our Parish Councillor,
John Cypher and Chair.
The dog poo bin update remained outstanding at the meeting.

8. **Severn Trent water status updates**
Some people were unable to receive updates during the recent water supply disruption.
This information came from the Severn Trent website:
*Signing up to the text messaging service means that customers don't have to worry about checking
the Severn Trent website during an emergency, or call the customer service team. Instead, the
updates can come directly through to their mobiles via text message. Customers can sign up to
Severn Trent's text messaging service by simply texting YES to 60267. Three short questions
are then asked to enable the customer account to be located and verified.*

9. **RGA Documentation**
The RGA Welcome Pack summary has been updated and was approved at the meeting. A revised
copy will be published on the village notice board and will form part of the Welcome Packs in future.
The new email address was ratified. rowneygreenassociation@gmail.com should now be used to
contact the RGA.

10. **A.O.B.**
The CPRE donation was reviewed and it was agreed to keep it at the current level for 2021.

Next meeting: 2nd March 2021 at 7.30 by zoom.
Further 2021 meeting dates include: 4th May, 6th July, 7th September, and 2nd November

Chair’s signature and date: …………………………………………………………………