

Minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Rowney Green Association held on Tuesday 10th November 2020

Present: Andrew May (Chair), Sara Kitchen (Secretary), Michael Corfield (Membership), Andy Dunkers, Maggie Moore, John Cypher

Apologies: Rick Chima (Treasurer), Nigel Evans

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 8th September 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.

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 until it is safe to do so. 26 subscriptions are currently outstanding.

5. Planning Update

There is a potential for road widening and pedestrian crossings on the Birmingham Road near Bordesley as part of a 950 property development on Weights Lane.

The 'Planning for the future' consultation which aims to reform the planning system in England has now closed. This is likely to impact developments across the country.

It was confirmed that any Rowney Green Park development work will be reported by the Village Hall Trustees and not discussed at this meeting.

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. A.O.B.

Members paid tribute to Larry Harberman who sadly died a few weeks ago. He had been a stalwart in so many village activities over a number of years and will be greatly missed.

Bromsgrove District Council have agreed to supply and erect an additional dog poo bin at the entrance to the woodland path, near the large post box on Rowney Green Lane. We are awaiting delivery.

It was noted that the 'What RGA does' document is dated 2018. This has now been circulated to all regular attendees for review and update. (SK and all)

It has been confirmed that despite Covid, all welcome packs are being issued to new residents.

To help people in need in the village, it was agreed to add details of Helping Hands (those who can provide help in the village) and Alvechurch Cares to the Rowney Green website and add an article in the Calling Oak. (JC, MC)

Next meeting 5 th January 2021 at 7.30 in the Village Hall back room.
Further 2021 meeting dates include: 2 nd March, 4 th May, 6 th July, 7 th September, and 2nd November
Chair's signature and date: