

BOWERHILL RESIDENTS ACTION GROUP (BRAG)

Minutes of the EGM held on Tuesday 15th February.

The EGM was held on Tuesday 15th February by Zoom and was hosted by acting Chair Mark Blackham.

1. Start

The meeting commenced at 7.05pm

2. Present

Mark Blackham -acting Chair
Dale Robinson
Sue Tweedie –Secretary
Sharon Pike - acting vice chair
Robert Shea Simmonds
Amanda Slade
David Pafford
Rob Hoyle

3. Agenda item 1. Voting of new committee

- Proposal for New Chairman.
Proposed by Amanda Slade
Seconded by Dale Robinson

The motion was carried, and Mark Blackham was duly elected as Chairman

- The motion to elect new vice chair.
Sharon Pike was proposed by Amanda Slade
Seconded Dale Robinson

The motion was carried, and Sharon Pike was duly elected as Vice Chair.

Agenda item 2. Changes to constitution.

All present agreed on the proposed changes except David Pafford who queried the voting numbers and the need for the clause to exclude anybody who is disruptive.

Acceptance of the new constitution was motioned by Dale Robinson
Seconded by Amanda Slade

The motion was carried and the new constitution to be accepted.

4. Treasurer's report

- The Account balance is £2944.66. Full report attached.
- There has been a new request for £250 to be made available for the picnic area working party, without the need of full committee approval.

This was proposed by Mark Blackham
Seconded by Dale Robinson

The motion was passed.

- There has been a request for new high visibility jackets for the picnic area working party. Mark Blackham is obtaining quotes.

4. Brabazon Way Project

The licence has been received and was to include both ends.

It was suggested that this is too much to start off with and a redraft of the licence to only include the western end for this year. All were in agreement and Mark Blackham is to contact Teresa with a view to the council to continue mowing of the roadside strip and hedge trimming at the roadside.

Sharon is to contact Melksham Community Support Group when we are ready to begin the work.

Mark Blackham is to contact the Melksham News re Go wild in 2022 re an article on the Bowerhill Community Group (BRAG).

Amanda to contact the air Cadets and Shed Group.

5. Tree and hedge removal on Falcon Way and Hornchurch Road

It was unanimously agreed that it has left this area of Falcon Way looking a total mess. Mark Blackham to contact Teresa Strange to ask what will be done about replanting. ID Verde are responsible for Hornchurch Road and again what will be done to restore this area. In addition, what will replace the Ash trees that will be felled.

6. Any Other Business

- BRAG FB page has not been touched for some time even after repeated attempts to get the admin changed.
Dale has agreed to contact Marilyn Mills.
- The name change from Bowerhill Residents Action Group to Bowerhill Community Group is still ongoing. Mark will contact key stakeholders and look at a plan to change the name in the coming months.
- The sheaths that are on the hedgerow plants along the footpath to canal should now be removed. It was suggested that a volunteering weekend could be arranged.
- The finger post and bridle way sign needs to be repositioned and Mark Blackham is to take a look.
- The next meeting date was suggested as Tuesday 12th April, to be confirmed.

7. Closing

The meeting closed at 7.47pm