

Barden Residents Association Meeting - Tuesday 19th March 2019

In Attendance

Mark Hood (Chair), Angela Clark (Vice-Chair), Lucy Athey (secretary), Claire O'Shea, Alison Cackett, Jo Young, Matt Sargent, Gill Sargent, Glynn Rees, Megan LeGoubin, Greg Fox

Approval of Minutes & Apologies

Mark Hood (Chair) called the meeting to order and the previously circulated minutes from 23rd January were agreed. Apologies from Fran Long, Martin & Maureen Coulstock, Warren Nel

Treasurers Report

Fran was unable to attend but reported that there is currently £113.98 in the account. At the last meeting we agreed to donate £100 to the 1st Tonbridge Scouts for use of the hall and this has been paid by bank transfer.

20mph Update

Mark updated all on the progress of Barden's 20mph zone which has been agreed by KCC; we have been in contact with Cllr Michael Payne (who is the chair of Highways at KCC) for more information on the dates for this but none has been forthcoming. As of yet we are still unaware of whether there will be any physical calming measures.



Restart a Heart Training/Defibrillator

We will need to confirm a date and a venue for this. Greg Fox happy to head up this and he will contact Kent Fire & Rescue to check availability and lead times for courses.

Lucy to write to Assura to see if they have plans to have a defibrillator in the new surgery being built on River Lawn Road, in particular one that will be accessible to the public out of surgery hours.

Rights of Way

Now the village green application is being processed Fran plans to continue collecting witness statements to protect the paths around Barden Lake. There will be an update on this in the next meeting.

Village Green Application – River Lawn

The formal consultation process is now over and 119 witness statements were collated in support of River Lawn being given Village Green status; this is in addition to any mailed directly to KCC and also those given in the original application. We will be given a copy of TMBC's objections to the application shortly.

Jumble Trail – Saturday 29th June

Lucy & Mark met with a member of SARA to find out how they organised their successful Jumble Trail in Slade last summer (which they are repeating in September). The trail will run for approximately three hours from 11am to 2pm.

Anyone who wishes to have a stall outside their house and be included on the map should email bardenresidents@yahoo.com with their address and postcode or contact Lucy via the event page on Facebook. If possible they should let us know *roughly* what they will be selling (this could be anything from toys & books, games and DVDs, plants, clothing, bric-a-brac etc). People should sign up at least a week in advance as we will need to print the flyers in good time, although they can still decide to have a stall after this time, they just won't be listed on the map.



Food & drink can be sold without a licence as it is a one off; last year Slade had a lemonade stall and some sold cakes and savoury snacks.

A facebook event set up by Lucy has already gained some interest and nearer the time we will advertise on local Facebook groups, Twitter and posters displayed locally and in windows.

Barden in Bloom

At the last meeting we decided that we will judge on planters and hanging baskets, and also children can plant up a wellington boot or similar. This will be judged on the weekend of 28th July.



AOB

- Angela reported that the pollarding of two of the limes on River Walk has been completed, with the third to be completed shortly.
- Thomas's Tasty Treats – On **13th July** Ross Butcher and his son Thomas will be holding another cake sale in Gladstone Road for the brain injury charity The Children's Trust.
- Our next Litter Blitz will be on **Sunday 7th April** at 10am.

Next Meeting

Meetings usually alternate on Tuesdays and Wednesdays to enable as many people as possible to attend and are held at the Scout Hut in Lambert's Yard (unless advertised being elsewhere).

The next meeting is;

Wednesday May 22nd 2019