

# **Residents' Association Committee meeting – July 2010**

At the Residents' Association AGM (held on 13<sup>th</sup> April) it was agreed that a brief report of the proceedings at the Residents' Association committee meeting(s) would be included in the next available issue of *Village News*, the following therefore represents the second such reports.

A Meeting of the Committee took place on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July. In addition to Committee members, Councillors Joan Spiers (Reigate & Banstead Borough Council) and Michael Gosling (Surrey County Council) were in attendance and Surrey Police were represented PC Ed Ferris. In addition to formal matters:

## **PC Ed Ferris reported that:**

- There had been a spate of motorists filling their vehicles with fuel and driving away without paying. Warning Notices had been attached to BP pumps in an effort to dissuade people from committing this offence and the staff had been instructed to take additional measures to stop it happening.
- Motorcycle "scrambling" was taking place at weekends at Grub Wood and this was causing annoyance to residents.
- Intelligence Operations were being undertaken by the Police in relation to the activities of drug users and suppliers

Mr. Kaye reported that the Petition supporting the reduction of the A217 speed limit to 30mph now had 155 signatures and his hope was that it would increase to 200 or 300. Motorists were continuing to slow down for the Speed Camera but were accelerating through the rest of the village. Holly Lodge residents found it almost impossible to cross the road and the barrier at the pedestrian crossing had still not been repaired.

The Chairman also reported that a car had recently been vandalised at 'Greenacres'.

## **Councillor Spiers reported that :**

- She was aware of the parking problems at The Grange in Babylon Lane and Council Officers and the Police would be making an inspection.
- Steps were being taken by the Council to reduce spending and consideration was being given to outsourcing and the reduction of staff.

## **Councillor Gosling reported that:**

- The County Council was concerned over future funding
- The current Highways contract would come to an end in April and seven contractors were in the process of submitting tenders.
- Beechen Lane was being resurfaced.