

# **Residents' Association Committee meeting – March 2019**

A Meeting of the Committee took place on Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019. In addition to Committee members, Councillors Rod Ashford & Bob Gardner were in attendance.

## **Crime report:**

- It was reported that there had been recent instances of commercial vehicles being broken into in one part of the village along with potential anti-social behaviour by youths in the Recreation Ground.
- Some instances of a young door-to-door salesman (?) verbally abusing householders were reported, the Chairman recommended that all such instances should be reported to the Police.
- It was reported that a person from the village had recently been convicted of drug related issues.

## **Councillor Gardner reported on:**

- The state of the Stubbs Lane recycling site was again reported; Cllr. Gardner undertook to raise the matter.
- It was reported that a car with no number plates appeared to have been “dumped” for some time near the junction of Smithy Lane and the A217/Brighton Road; Cllr. Gardner stated that details should be passed to the Parking Manager for attention.
- Cllr. Gardner reported that current County Council works included road refurbishment, vehicle counts and road widening at the Reigate Hill roundabout.
- It was reported that two telephone boxes in the village had been vandalised; Cllr. Gardner stated that, whilst noting that they were not apparently being used, he would deal with the matter.
- It was reported that the bus stop by the Wisdom of God Church was in a rather dilapidated state; Cllr. Gardner stated that this was the responsibility of the Borough Council.
- It was reported that speeding traffic in Chipstead Lane continued to be a problem, particularly given the proximity to the playground where the fence needed repair. Cllr. Gardner noted that, whilst speed checks had been taken, there was a problem in catching offending drivers travelling along this type of road; there was also the issue of the footpath requiring widening.

## **Councillor Ashford reported on:**

- One particular instance of building works being carried out which was both causing nuisance to nearby residents and also apparently not adhering to the plans as originally submitted. Cllr. Ashford added that the situation was being monitored by the Council and asked to be kept advised of any further concerns.
- Cllr. Ashford provided an update on a particular planning issue and raised the issue of whether or not planning permission was required for the building of a specific wall. Cllr. Gardner noted that, provided it met height requirements, such permission would not normally be required.