

# **Residents' Association Committee meeting – November 2015**

A Meeting of the Committee took place on Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> November 2015. In addition to Committee members, Councillors Bob Gardner, Ros Mill & Simon Parnall were in attendance.

A further update was given with regard to the installation of a new village Notice Board and it was noted that payment of a 50% deposit was now required. Further discussions took place on the issues of both ground clearance at the site and installation of the Board itself.

It was reported that there were still periodic issues of speeding traffic in the side roads and the performance of 'U-turns' at the A217/Brighton Road/Buckland Road/Smithy Lane junction with one such turn serving to demolish the fence outside the Wisdom of God Church.

## **Police report:**

- Although no Police representatives were present Cllr. Gardner raised the issue of the parking of trade and private vehicles on verges and pavements in various side roads and cited specific examples. Cllr. Mill acknowledged that enforcement was a Borough Council responsibility and it was endeavouring to remedy the situation.
- Cllr. Gardner also reported that, during 2016, new average speed cameras would be installed on the A217 from Reigate Hill to Belmont.

## **Councillor Parnall reported on:**

- Issues in respect of two recent planning applications.
- The deadline for submitting Supplementary Planning Documents had now been extended until the summer/autumn of 2016; thus giving more time for the Association to compile its own submission.
- It was reported that fly tipping (including what appeared to be commercial waste) was occurring at the Stubbs Lane recycling area on a regular basis. Cllr. Mill indicated that the Borough Council's JET team were responsible for enforcement and it was agreed that appropriate publicity should be given to their role in both the newsletter and also via a small stock of leaflets at the Post Office.
- Both Borough Councillors commented that the new Leisure Centre was now fully open and was a great success, the latter being confirmed by those Committee members who had already taken advantage of the facilities.

## **Councillor Gardner reported on:**

- The introduction of parking restrictions on the hard standing along the frontage of The Grange in Babylon Lane.
- It was reported that the operation of the pedestrian lights by 'The Fox' (both northbound and southbound) on the A217/Brighton Road, which had been reported in previous Committee meetings, continued to be extremely slow; Cllr. Gardner undertook to investigate the matter (yet again).
- A faulty drain cover in Smithy Lane (by the entrance to Brier Lea) was (again) reported.
- Flooding issues were reported in respect of specific properties in both Green Lane and Chipstead Lane; Cllr. Gardner acknowledged that there was more work still to be done to remedy the situation.