



OAKLEY GREEN, FIFIELD & DISTRICT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION LTD

AGM MEETING NOTES SEPTEMBER 2019

The AGM was attended by 20 local residents who enjoyed a glass of wine while the Chairman, Bill Collier, conducted the meeting. Details of the presentation can be found here

After 2 years in office, Bill has decided to stand down as Chairman, although he remains a valuable member of the Committee, and asked those present to approve Barbara Frame to succeed him. This was unanimously carried. Grenville Annetts thanked Bill for his excellent work and service to the community for the last two years.

There were two nominations for Directors;

Alison Jane Brayshaw, nominated by Barbara Frame seconded by Michael Seagrief and unanimously voted in.

Patricia Ann Pottinger was nominated by Paula Grevett, seconded by Nikki Marsh and again, unanimously voted in. Completed applications were forwarded to the Chairman in August 2019.

There was a proposal from the committee that there should be a third way to pay membership subscriptions, currently £3.00 for one year; £5.00 for three years. The proposal was to add the option of paying £10.00 for a five year subscription. This was agreed by all present.

Any other business generated questions about the proposed Lorry ban on Oakley Green Road. Grenville stated that he had heard a rumour that the Police were objecting on the grounds that by sending lorries along Imperial Road, we were saving one school at the expense of two! As we all know this is not just about the schools but about horse riders, dog walkers, listed buildings and the lack of footways! Barbara stated that she had received a message from David Coppinger to say that the ban was still going ahead.

There was disappointment that a recent letter from Gigaclear stated that their presence in our area was delayed until further notice. It was asked whether a representative of the company could attend a future meeting. This needs to be looked into.

After the official business, Bill promoted the upcoming social events :

- 4 Oct Race Night at Bray Cricket Club. £10 including fish and chips. Tickets from Bill
- 2 Nov Christmas Fair in the Braywood Memorial Hall
- 8 Nov Bingo Night in the Braywood Memorial Hall
- 10 Nov Commemoration service. 3pm at the War Memorial in Oakley Green Road
- 6 Dec Race Night to raise funds for the Braywood Memorial Hall
- 22 Dec Carols round the Christmas Tree in Fifield Village

There followed a quick review of this year's Fifield Fun Day which was a great success against all odds! Tricia Kempton from The Autism Group and Andy McCabe from Starfish Swimming Club were both presented with cheques for £2,000.

Simon Ratcliffe addressed the group on the subject of the Braywood Memorial Hall. It has been in operation since the 1920s and has been an important focal point for the community however, in recent years, costly repairs and the loss of regular bookings has put the Hall into difficulties. He appealed to all to support the Hall whenever possible and asked for volunteers to help on the committee. Anyone interested should contact him or Rod Ball.

Finally, James Brayshaw, Vice-President of Planet, gave a fascinating talk on “How changes on Earth are monitored using satellite Imagery”.

The meeting closed at 9pm but many people stayed on for another drink and a chat.