

Fernwood Residents Association
Committee Meeting Wednesday 8th August 2018, 7:30pm
Fernwood Village Hall

Present

David Mack - Chairman
Andrew Armstrong - Secretary
Ken Forbes – Maintenance Chair
Sophie Ward – Events
Amy Johnson - Events
Steve Illingworth - Treasurer

Apologies

Ian McGregor – Vice Chairman
Luke Ashmore – Communications
Cheryle Mack
Leigh Richardson
Mandy Knowlton-Raynor
Benji Fennel-Ross

1. Welcome and Ratification of Previous Minutes

- Minutes proposed as correct by DM, and voted in KF

2. Chairman's Report – Dave Mack

- Fire Panel – contacted by first port, they are not removing the panels. Information relayed back to resident who raised the concern.
- Gypsum report – Went to see blasting at Gypsum mine. SI has concerns over the size of the blasting. Will request a second visit to observe larger blasts.

4. Vice Chair Report – Ian McGregor

- Apologies sent

5. Secretary's Report – Andrew Armstrong

- Nothing to report

6. Treasurer's Report – Steve Illingworth

- New banking documents signed
- Development fund unchanged. The money for the fund is to be used for the benefit for the entire community. Dave to contact Gary Cox to clarify what the money can and can not be spent on and what constitutes “benefits the entire community”.
- Monies are starting to be received (£10 currently from Goll and Wileman) for the Christmas Market. Events have contacted all possible stall holders requesting payment. Contracts to be sent out by events team to stall holders.
- New Years Eve: Deposit - £200 security deposit is required, FRA are concerned that the regular deposit is £100, and we request that it is reduced in accordance. £200 required two weeks before the event. £52 for hall hire, 50% to secure the hall once booking form is received by the Parish Clerk. £100 deposit paid for DJ, SI requires vote to pay the remaining £150 on New Years Eve. Proposed by SI, Seconded by DM, Unanimous vote by all committee members present.

7. Maintenance Panel – Ken Forbes

- The FRA will contact the Parish Council to state that the 106 money is not in our remit and that it is the Parish Council or Newark and Sherwood District Council to decide what the 106 money is spent on.

- The FRA will put into writing that as a residents association, we would like First Port and the Parish Council to work together to come together and plan, build and maintain a new play ground suitable for the residents of Fernwood. Vote taken, all committee members voted that this is the correct course of action.

8. Events Report – Sophie Ward, Amy Johnson

- Christmas Market
- Clarification on charity donation. 50% of the stall fee from the Christmas Market will be donated to local good causes. All other profits will be fed back into the FRA budgets.
- Lots of interest in the stalls, enough for two sessions if required. Local businesses represented, including Holdens, who will operate a “Letter to Santa” stall that will tie in with their Christmas charity events. All stalls to donate prizes towards the events. Both halls are available.
- Letters going out with Nursery and Schools promoting the events.
- Saturday 10th November – Christmas Market
- 16th December - Fireworks
- KF reminded that we need volunteers to run these events.
- New Year:
- £5 per person, £2.50 for under 5s, Family Tickets available. 142 people. Running as a family orientated Fuddle (bring your own food to be shared, and own alcohol). The event will be ticket only with the usual age related restrictions.
- Fireworks:
- To be discussed at next meeting.

9. Communications Report – Luke Ashmore, Iain Moulds

- Web site: £50 updated theme purchased. The design is based around a new person coming to Fernwood and how they could find all the information required. We need something to be online by the AGM date. Geoff B is providing photographs for the site.
- Pages are created, but empty at the moment. Requires assistants to develop website content. Currently 8 pages with 30 sub sections. AA and Amy to offer assistant with content.

10. Date of next meeting

- Wednesday 5th September – AGM Planning meeting & Pressing business only. 7:30 Village hall.
- AGM: Originally proposed as September 19th @7:30, now rescheduled for 26th September @ 7:30.

12. AOB

- 10 year anniversary set by Parish Council. FRA invited Saturday on 27th October to hold a stand. DM to organise.

13. Close