



Residents Association AGM

18th May 2019

Present: Ray Haffenden, Nancy Haffenden, Liz Simpson, Marie Whale, Mike Cowham, Rita Cowham.

Apologies: Rupert Keppel-Palmer

Election of Officers: (All elected unanimously)

- Chair: Ray Haffenden
- Vice Chair: Marie Whale
- Secretary: Liz Simpson
- Treasurer: Lewis Hamilton
- Auditor: Mike Cowham

Discussion items:

- 1) Planning Application Papyrus Way. There have been a number of objections raised by the Residents Association, Liz Simpson, Ray Haffenden and other residents. There are concerns about having a new entrance immediately adjacent to an existing entrance and immediately opposite a well-used pedestrian access to the development. Also concerns that if allowed the estate could become a "rat run".
- 2) Grounds Maintenance Contract: Ray reported that, following complaints about the standards of grounds maintenance, we have been offered a range of improvements (at increased cost). The Committee will be looking at the current specification to see whether this is being met and then comparing that with the proposed improvements. We would want to be assured that the contract is being properly managed.
- 3) Parking: We have now received costings for providing more visitor parking spaces. These would be looked at by the Committee.
- 4) First Port: We still have serious concerns about First Port's management of the site and are waiting for the distribution of another satisfaction survey.
- 5) Play Equipment: We have £1000 to spend on a piece of play equipment (provided by East Malling and Larkfield Parish Council).
- 6) Representation on the Residents Association Committee: Hyde Housing will not continue to support the RA unless there 50% of the Committee are Hyde Tenants.