

**Notes of the Annual General Meeting of the
Lower Henlade and Stoke Road Residents' Association
held on 23 October 2014 at The Mount Somerset Hotel**



Present: Gill Ellis (Chair)
Mike Westlake (Treasurer)
Shirley Cozens (Committee Member)
8 Members

Apologies: Paul Stroner (Vice Chair)
John Ashbaugh (Committee Member)

1 Flooding

The promised equipment has now been received including waders, high vis jackets, torches, cones, walkie talkies and road closed signs. Locations for the road closed signs have been agreed and Shirley and Gill have been given training. The ditch under the footbridge still needs to be cleared and although promises have been made Shirley has agreed to give a gentle reminder if nothing is forthcoming. In the pumping station the pumps and return valves have been replaced and have a bigger and quieter capacity.

Thanks go to Shirley and Steve for the work they have done clearing the next bit of the watercourse.

2 Election of committee

John Ashbaugh was proposed, seconded and re-elected unanimously in his absence.

3 Treasurers report

Mike reported that we had £156.43 in our bank with more subscriptions still to be collected. No further expenses are expected.

4 Chairmans report

Gill reported that 23 members had paid their dues and about 17 are still expected, that would give us a membership of about 40. This includes 8 new members.

We achieved refusal of Affordable Reserved Matters Planning Application with help of the residents but lost on the appeal.

We got applicants to Land Registry to back down on Unilateral Notices re mineral rights.

Gill was also pleased to report there were NO animal rescues this year...

5 Planning Matters - J25 Employment Site

TDBC now seem very keen on this happening and there was a great deal of interest as reported in the County Gazette this week. It was suggested that the size of the site could

be 60 acres. There has been talk again of tunnelling at A303 Stonehenge. We shall of course be keeping a close eye on any ongoing plans.

6 Neighbourhood watch

Mike reported that it was pleasingly quiet. Shirley reported that she receives farming reports of any problems in the area and would be happy to pass any concerns on to Mike.

7 Social

Gill said she would try to find a new venue if we wish to continue Pub Games Night as the Nags Head no longer have a skittle alley.

8 Any other business

We discussed the possibility of having mains gas in the village and also the building of speed bumps but both were rejected.

9 Date of next meeting

The date of the next meeting was not set at the time but was subsequently fixed for TUESDAY (NOT Thursday) 14 April 2015, 7.30 pm at the Mount Somerset Hotel