

**RICHINGS PARK RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING 30.7.15 AT RICHINGS PARK SPORTS
CLUB 8PM.**

Present: Wendy Matthews (Chair), Maureen Worrall, Judy Teader, Matthew McEvoy, Graham Young, Maureen Atkinson (minutes)

Also present: Jeff Cannon

Apologies: Sue Barber, Jan Wiseman, Daphne Wood, Stewart O'Malley, Lindsey Beagle

1 **Minutes of the Previous Meeting (23.6.15):** agreed.

NB: Maureen Worrall pointed out that under Re Residents Questions neither Kathryn Pike or Aaron Ashby-Gittins are actually RP residents.

2 **Matters Arising and Other Issues**

Airports Commission Report: The report has ruled out the extension of the northern runway, so the government must now decide how to proceed. Action before Christmas seems unlikely.

Heathrow

WM attended the LAANC (Local Authority Airport Noise Council) and reported back. There was some indication that the Davis report had misleading information in it. Legal advice is being sought by LAANC as to how this can be challenged, if at all. A layman's summary of the issues raised will be given in due course in order to clarify the situation.

WM attended the HLFF(Heathrow Local Focus Forum) and reported back. HAL (Heathrow Airport Ltd) have highlighted issues with specific conditions contained in the Davis Report eg no night flights, no fourth runway, additional compensation provided by Heathrow. HAL are negotiating with the government to ease restrictions. Currently there is no clarity as to whether the government will conduct their own consultation. HAL is producing plans to show how Heathrow will be developed in the future. Reducing airport related road traffic and improving public transport is a key feature. A meeting is to be arranged with RPRA in September to give information.

NB date agreed of 24th Sept

Re the noise meeting - HAL have not provided a report on any outcomes of noise monitoring as there seemed to be some confusion about the type of noise in question.

Meeting with Dominic Grieve – this mostly involved DG reading the Hansard Report so local issues were not discussed. When there are 500 names on the petition, in the shops and on the website, it will be given to DG.

Airspace reconfiguration - a review of the use of airspace in southern England and Europe, with the aim of using airspace more efficiently and making systems more compatible. NATS have invited RPRA and the Parish Council to submit a questionnaire. WM will attend a presentation in September that will address issues that affect local residents and the resulting impact.

Highways updates - works on pavements in North Park to be completed this financial year. No further upgrades scheduled.

Area around the shops - parking consultation/planters/trees: there has been some objections from residents of Buckfield Court who want provision for those who live there. Bucks CC are looking into this. A quote of £1146.00 has been obtained for planters. GY proposed we buy one at £175 plus VAT and delivery out of RA funds and seek grant aid for further planters to subsidise cost. This was agreed. No further progress on trees to report.

Vintage in the Park - the July event was cancelled and will not resume. WM contacted Bucks Business First to attend a meeting on 8.9.15 at 7.30pm at RPSC. They will provide a facilitator and a speaker that will support and hopefully enable local businesses to promote themselves collectively and individually.

Clear up RP day - no further progress at the moment.

Thorney Sidings/ Thorney Mill Road - no further information. Alan Barrett has reported increased lorry activity in and out of Thorney Sidings.

Sustainable Access to Station/Cyclepath- no further progress by BCC.

Broadband - no further information.

HGV Signs - GY agreed to put them in strategic places where HGVs are most likely to enter RP.

Thorney Park benches - they need to be identified for further action to take place. Alan Barrett to assist.

3 Date of Next Meetings

No meeting in August
Weds 23 September
Weds 28 October

4 Treasurer's Report:

£4824 in the bank.
£116 spent on upkeep of residents garden.
Subscriptions are 32 less than last year

5 Planning/Enforcement: see list included on the Agenda. The following were discussed:

SIFE - GY attended meeting and shared issues raised. He will email planning inspectorate to delay appeal until the decision on the runway is made.
Fourelles appeal was successful.

6 HS2/WRAthH/Crossrail -

An issue has arisen between the HS2/Hex depot and WRAtH and WRAtH are not responding. The objection time to HS2 is very short. The petition has to be presented to parliament by August 14. RPRA committee agreed that Wendy Matthews will deposit a petition on behalf of the Association and Richings Park residents and represent RPRA at the Standing Cttee hearing as necessary. The Committee agreed the draft outline of the petition to be presented.

Crossrail - no further information regarding completion of the bridge. The station will be upgraded with a new station building and lifts to the platforms.

The current construction site (opposite old sorting office) is planned to be a 500 place car park, included in the scheme is a zebra crossing and an upgraded station path. This will impact on any proposed parking scheme for RP residents and need to be discussed further.

7 Report from Parish Council

There is a local plan consultation about what are the priorities for the local area.

8 Report from County/District Councils:

Nothing to report.

9 Any Other Business:

WM asked for a volunteer to represent RPRA on Lakeside Liaison Committee on 9.9.15. Maureen Worrall kindly offered to attend.

The meeting ended at 9.55 pm