



TDRA MINUTES

On 25th February 2021, 7.30pm via Zoom.

1. Present

A Bates (Chairman), N Webb, M Winniberg, H Burnside, I Marsden, S Nepp.

2. Minutes from last Meeting

The minutes of the meeting were read and approved. It was noted that C Salmon, C Parkin and A Greaves should be removed from the email list of committee members.

3. Committee Reports

i. Planning

S Nepp reported her objection to the proposal to develop the vicarage in St Michaels into 25 dwellings. This is far too intense. She will read a statement to TTC on Monday. It was noted that there will be some affordable houses involved.

S Nepp commented on the security fencing in St Michaels, this is most unsightly and has recommended screening.

Neighbourhood plan

This is advancing and should be ready as a final draft at the end of March. We would then go to public consultation in April for a period of 6 weeks. It was noted that this has an important weight in planning decisions and in particular concentrates on fringe developments.

It was noted that there is an application to convert stables and barn into dwelling at house formally known as Houson in Sandy Lane.

ii. Treasurer Report

H Burnside expressed concern for next years revenue and collection for donations. The membership base has shrunk and we will probably lose more without house to house collections. We have 320 live emails but this would still be a significant drop in our income, there would however be savings if we stop producing hard copy publications.

4. Focus Groups

Little happening.

With regard to the Recreation Ground the porta-cabins have now gone in preparation for the skate park.

Cinema

Latest estimates project a cost of £3.5 million which would be too expensive, and other venues may need to be considered.

Newsletter

Articles needed by the end of the first week of March with distribution a couple of weeks later. H Burnside suggested we drop The Resident (being costly and labour intensive) and replace with two annual newsletters plus website updates. Or this could be digital. With the committee shrinking this is putting more pressure on remaining members. It was agreed that we need new blood and indeed more recruitment. It had been hoped that small splinter groups of residents may join us.

5. AGM Arrangements

It was agreed we would ask Dr Pilai to be the speaker at our virtual AGM with a follow up interview for a future newsletter. I Marsden to contact him. It was also suggested that we get proposers and seconders for the motions in advance.

6. Date of next meeting

25th March 2021.

27th February 2021.

Approved by the Chairman
25th March 2021