

MINUTES OF THE NOTHRA COMMITTEE MEETING held in the Village Hall on 6 April 2011 at 8.00pm

Attendees: Roger Ponsford (Acting Chairman), Tony Hewlett, Anne Odams, Mark Hetherington, Rajen Shah, Sonja Angel, Roz Warren, David Trotman

Apologies: Michael Maddox, Simon Pearce, Robert Murdoch, Sharon Smart, Mark Goddard, Robert Murdoch

LITTER PICK The Spring Litter Pick had been a great success. SA was thanked for organising it. It was agreed to ask the council for more litter picking equipment for next time, and support was shown for an Autumn event, and maybe even a Summer event. RP will ascertain details of Council legislation requiring shop owners to keep land within 100 metres of their premises clear of rubbish.

COMMUNICATIONS MH has set up the basics of a new social website for the village called www.nethernevillage.org. He asked for feedback and suggestions on how to further develop it. Points brought up were:-

- use a contact page to ask residents to register interest in receiving information by email
- create picture gallery
- MH to find out who owns other inactive Netherne websites, and ask if they would be happy to allow re-direction to new website
- RP requested that we look at setting up a community service page listing recommended businesses within the village
- MH has contact who can ensure new website is prioritised on search engines
- it was agreed that NOTRA would need to control the blog site by moderating entries before they are visible. MH would put together moderating rules, and best way of running the task. Users would need to be registered, and anonymity not accepted.
- It was agreed to see how this site worked before looking at using Facebook or Twitter as additional sites.

COMMUNITY TRANSPORT TH had made further investigations via the Community Transport Association, and VOSA (Vehicle Operating Service Association). He had concluded that we would need to apply for a Permit Section 22 for Specific Community Bus from VOSA, and apply for routes/timetable. This process would allow for us to claim grants, charge fares and hire out vehicle, whilst remaining non-profit making.

- TH will source second hand vehicles.
- One paid driver would be required, along with voluntary drivers. VOSA highly recommend that these drivers go on a training course.
- TH will use Village Hall Open day to promote service, and to recruit residents interested in being part of a Bus Operating Committee.
- TH will talk to the CTA about break down/ backup support.

VILLAGE PLAN DRAFT It was agreed that members would read the draft and come back to the next meeting with ideas.

VILLAGE HALL OPEN DAY 23 APRIL 2011

- RW/SA/AO/SS would organise the provision of tea, coffee and cakes for the event
- Set Up will take place on Saturday Morning (0930)– there is no Zumba that day and Scouts use the Hall on Friday evening.
- MM to ensure that attendees understand that they are responsible for their own ‘stalls’. They would be advised to have a banner to promote their stand.
- MM to be asked about sources for cups/plates/tables etc
- NOTHRA stand should also have resources to collect email addresses from residents who want to be on email list
- MM to email any residents already on this list with reminder of event-week before
- DT and SA to organise posters

ROYAL WEDDING PARTY After discussion of the various factors involved ,the consensus was that it was inadvisable to run an event on 29 July. However, it was agreed we would look to running an event for the Queen's Centenary event next June.

OTHER EVENTS MG had provided a list of ideas for social events which could be considered for the future, including a Family Dog Show, an Elvis Night (using his band), Conker Tournament, Best Decorated House a Christmas, Soap Box Derby, and a First Day of Summer event. These would be discussed and promoted at the next meeting. It was also agreed to re-start the social events in the village with a quiz night to be arranged at the next meeting.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- NOTHRA to request that NML provide a clock in the village hall, along with mirrors for the 3 toilets.
- LATE NOTE – Robert Murdoch had contacted the Surrey Wildlife Trust regarding a project the survey and conserve old orchards
- Youth Club – MM to be asked to pursue formation of this much needed facility.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING WEDNESDAY 4 May 2011

MINUTES OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING HELD BY NEAR on 6 April 2011 at 7.45pm in the Netherne Village Hall

Attendees: Sonja Angel, Roz Warren, members of NOTHRA

Apologies: Mark Goddard (Vice Chairman), Sharon Smart (Secretary), Michael Lee (Treasurer)

It was unanimously agreed that the Netherne Events and Recreational Group would merge with NOTHRA, with a view to NEAR members forming a Social Committee within NOTHRA . NEAR members are invited to become members of the NOTHRA committee. The NOTHRA Constitution already includes the objective: to foster and encourage

community, social, educational and sporting activities within Netherne on the Hill village.

The NEAR bank account would be maintained, with Michael Lee, Michael Maddox and Sonja Angel being signatories. NEAR accounts would be consolidated with NOTHRA's in the Annual Report.