

LOWER SUNBURY RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at The Riverside Arts Centre, Thames Street, Sunbury, on Wednesday 22th June, 2022 at 8.00 pm.

Present

(i) Committee members: Paul Watts (President), Paul Thompson (Chairman), Colleen Cuthbert (Secretary), Iain Findlay (Treasurer), John Hirsh (Vice Chairman), John Carey, Chris Hyde, Stacey Pinto, Nigel Spooner.

(ii) Cllrs. Sandra Dunn, Kathy Grant, Laurence Nichols, Helen Harvey, Ian Beardsmore, Tom Fidler

(iii) Other members: 30 approximately.

Apologies for Absence, Neil Huntingford, Oliver Parr, Cllr. Ian Harvey. **Welcome to all** after 3 years.

Minutes of AGM held on 20th June 2019 - Approved.

Presentation by Ann Biggs, Strategic Planning Manager, Spelthorne Borough Council, on the Local Plan Consultation, followed by Q&A.

Ann Biggs & Jane Robinson spoke of the preparation of the LP which started in 2018 and sets the vision of Spelthorne for the next 15 years for housing and infrastructure. The LP has been accepted by SBC and is now out for public consultation until 5.9.22. It is available on line. All residents are encouraged to send their comments.

Chairman's Report

The last AGM was held in 2019. LOSRA has continued its work throughout the Covid crisis and has issued frequent ebulletins. LOSRA has been involved with many, varied, concerns including uncovering the Lendy memorial, the refurbishment of the Sunbury Cross underpass, opposing the mast in Thames Street, the noise from Apps Court, TPOs and many more. Of particular note, and ongoing, are the Sunbury ferry, the SHC Patient Participation Group, the 'Eco' Park pending legal action and the Local Plan for which a QC will be appointed for professional advice. PT thanked all current committee members and Shirley Agar, Rashpal Gill & Alan Lacey who are not standing for re-election.

Treasurer's Report - Accounts for year ending 31st December, 2021

IF reported on the accounts since 2018. LOSRA made a donation to Riverside Arts Centre in 2020 and has agreed to pay for the Sunbury Ferry website since 2021. Also, LOSRA has sponsored a FoSP booklet in 2022. Subscription and sponsorship revenue has been less than pre-Covid but will hopefully recover. Thanks to the Post Office/Skinners & Twirltours. The accounts were approved. **Dominic de Lord of Crick Heitman Ltd.** was reappointed **Independent Reporting Accountant**.

Election of Officers and Committee

Paul Thompson was proposed to be re-elected as **Chairman**. Agreed. It was proposed **Paul Watts** be re-elected as **President**, **Colleen Cuthbert** as **Secretary & Membership Secretary**, **John Hirsh** as **Vice Chairman**, **Iain Findlay** as **Treasurer**, **John Carey**, **Neil Huntingford**, **Chris Hyde**, **Oliver Parr**, **Stacey Pinto & Nigel Spooner** as **committee members** – all approved.

Open Forum /Any Other Business

A resident raised the issue of Watersplash Farm gravel extraction which would cause major drainage problems. This is an SCC matter, not Local Plan. PW said the matter was with Cemex who have to provide solutions to various problems before work can commence.

Robert Shaw spoke of the fund raising campaign, launched on the 4th June at Monksbridge for the extension of the Embroidery Gallery and the community spirit enjoyed there and at Orchard Meadow TF questioned LOSRA's support of local culture and sport. PW replied that LOSRA promotes local activities but needs to be made aware of events.

PT asked for volunteers to consider the LOSRA committee and newsletter delivering, Patient Participation Group at Sunbury Health Centre and driving for Sunbury Neighbours.

Close Meeting - The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 9.35 pm.