

HARTING PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the **Aims and Objectives Advisory Committee** held on **Monday 5 October 2020 at 6.30pm.**

The meeting was held via Zoom video link in accordance with the Coronavirus Act 2020

Present: Stephanie Gaterell (SG) (Chairman), Sheila Bramley (SBr), Sally Bull (SB), Sunny Dawson (SD), John Miller (JM) and Andrew Shaxson (AS).

In attendance: Trish Walker (TW)

- 1. Apologies for Absence:** None.
- 2. Declarations of Interest:** None.
- 3. Minutes from Meeting held on 7 September 2020** were agreed and will be signed in due course.
- 4. Parish Meeting arrangements**

The public meeting to promote the Harting Tree Project has had to be cancelled on several occasions due to the Covid-19 restrictions and limitations of numbers gathering in public.

A date had now been set for the meeting to be held via Zoom video conferencing on Wednesday 7 October 2020 at 6.30pm.

The committee members discussed the various logistical challenges for the meeting and how they might be overcome.

5. Future projects

5.1. Speedwatch

There have been a number of enquiries by members of the parish concerning potential solutions to speeding issues. Mrs Bramley outlined the various initiatives that had been investigated by the Traffic Working Group, which had then been refused by WSCC (West Sussex County Council). It was felt that the Speedwatch initiative, used by some other local parishes, may be a good way forward although there will need to be a core or trained volunteers willing to operate it. The clerk confirmed there were about 5 volunteers who had shown an interest.

One of the main challenges for the Speedwatch project is finding a roadside position where the volunteers can stand safely whilst being in accordance with the regulations surrounding the use of the Speedwatch equipment.

5.2. SID (Speed Indicator Device) – moving equipment

There is a need to find some volunteers, preferably taller in height, to help with the regular replacement of batteries and relocation of the SID.

6. Office update

The clerk had contacted the Chair of the Village Hall to request that the upper room of the Village Hall might be used, in the case of a second lockdown due to the Covid-19 pandemic, as an emergency office space. It was noted that the Council was aware of the lack of fire exit and acknowledged this risk.

The Hall chair confirmed that it was acceptable for this to happen.

The AOAC members agreed that a printer (SG may have one) would be required.

TW will test the WIFI in the upper room when next visiting to see if a booster is required.

It was also agreed that a prepaid mobile phone could be useful as there is not a landline available in that part of the village hall.

7. Any other business

7.1. Website

The website is now live and is working well. There has been some positive feedback from users and a number of people have expressed an interest, via Mailchimp, to be kept updated by the Council.

It is important that the information is kept current and up to date, all are asked to let Sally now if any amendments are needed.

7.2. Buddy posters

It was agreed that some posters should be produced as a reminder that the buddy system is still available for anyone that needs it. It was thought that there should be two versions; one for lesser restrictions and the other for the higher level of lockdown.

8. Date of next meeting: to be arranged.

The meeting closed at 8.00pm