

Ferring Roads Scheme Association Committee Working hard on your behalf

By the time this magazine reaches you, the FRSA would have held two meetings in January and February. Our January 2023 meeting was certainly productive with a quick peek at the year just gone and of course a much bigger discussion about future plans for 2023 and 2024. We reviewed the objectives set for 2022 and all had been achieved successfully. For the future we still aim to strive to achieve full payment from all scheme members. We will seek further information from those who live within the FRSA road network and do not pay fees but still enjoy the benefits. We are hoping that this approach will enable the FRSA to address possible misunderstandings and obtain the membership fees.

We have welcomed a new committee member Sue Samuel: fairly new resident to Ferring but very much part of the volunteer community and agreeing to be our new treasurer. Jackie Ring (our previous treasurer) has also taken on another vacancy: that being the Roads Registrar. We are grateful to all the committee, past and present for helping the FRSA, work efficiently and effectively on behalf of all scheme members.

We are increasingly suffering from spells of heavy rainfall, putting pressure on our drainage systems which are mainly soakaways. In January, the FRSA had contractors in to do the annual "housekeeping" road sweep. This is essential to try and avoid any build-up of debris that in the long term does affect drainage of road wastewater. Our Roads Manager Graham Groom also met with all major contractors during the month to discuss future works required for both drains and roads. The FRSA do not under-estimate that to be ahead of any potential major works and plan for a managed repair is the best course of action. Naturally we will always be working within budget restraints and every attempt is made to spend the scheme members fees wisely. Very soon we will be addressing the drainage matter around GEM Garage and Brook Lane area.

We would like to thank residents for supplying their emails as we now have close to 500. There is still a long way to go with this data capture exercise, particularly as in January 2023 our road wardens hand delivered around 750 to 800 invoices. If you have received the invoice through this method, please help us to be more efficient and cost-effective and advise **roads-registrar@frsa.uk** of your email address for all future communications. Our printing costs will reduce and this in turn leaves more money available for essential repairs. We have a very secure and robust system in place to protect your details and it will only be used for essential communication on FRSA matters.

Our web site has been fully updated with both the 2022 objective review and those planned for 2023: along with a whole host of useful information - <u>www.frsa.uk</u>. Please take a look and see for yourself.

On behalf of the FRSA , I would like to wish you a great start to the first quarter of 2023. Pauline Edwards **secretary@frsa.uk**.