



FERRING ROADS SCHEME ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 13th July 2022
at 5 Herm Road

Members Present: Trevor Martin (Chairman) Graham Groom (Roads)
Nikki Hall (Road Wardens) Stuart Salter (Publicity)
David Champ (IT & Website)
Pauline Edwards (Secretary)
Denise Ibbertson (Roads Registrar)

Apologies:

Apologies were received from Simon Thompson, Anne Harris, and Jackie Ring

Chairman's Welcome:

Trevor Martin welcomed all to the meeting.

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Agreed as a true and accurate record: Trevor Martin signed and dated them accordingly.

Current Projects:

i) GPI – subcommittee of Parish Council

Graham Groom and Trevor Martin attended the meeting on 27th June 2022. The meeting was chaired by Peter Coe and various Ferring associations/groups were represented there. A range of topics were discussed concerning the village as a whole. The matter of current shortfall of £1500 for the garden fund was raised but no comment was raised by the other attendees.

It was agreed that Simon Thompson and Graham Groom will attend the next meeting scheduled for 8th August and report back at our own September 2022 meeting.

ii) 30mph roundels

The speed data from Parish Council web site had been received by all committee members. This did not provide any conclusive information to inform the FRSA of the best sightings for these roundels. Therefore, it was agreed that we would site two in Beehive and Ferringham Lane as an initial start to the process. This would then be re-evaluated for possible further sites.

iii) Map Changes

Based on decision from June 2022 meeting, the changes will be done once Pebble Lane properties are fully occupied. Costs are involved to make any amendments and Stuart Salter was mindful of this.

iv) Accounts Interest Opportunities

Treasurer Jackie Ring had provided the committee with some information regarding a likely sum that could be re-directed into a two-year fixed rate scheme with Aviva for the committee to consider. After much discussion, Trevor Martin felt that we should relook at this after some key roads in the scheme are inspected once the summer is over. The committee are already aware that there are issues with some tarmacked areas following heatwave in 2021. It was also discussed that the current inflation projection for both labour and materials will affect such work pricing and in the long term it would be more advantageous to resurface certain roads before they deteriorated too greatly.

v) East Onslow Close

FRSA had been approached by a scheme member with regards to blocked drains. After investigation, the matter was resolved by Southern Water as there were no drains managed by FRSA within the property area.

vi) Garden Fund-voluntary contributions

Treasurer had summarised the expected costs for remainder of 2022. One of the suppliers will also be raising their prices by 10% with immediate effect. Overall, we would be looking at around £1700 shortfall for planned 2022 expenditure. The Garden Manager was not at this meeting so

this will be re-raised at our September meeting. Some discussion took place as to whether the planting should be changed to require less regular maintenance: such as evergreen shrubs, grasses, and more longer flowering plants. It is clear that the costs along with the current shortfall will need to be addressed for all future contracts with the two companies commissioned to maintain the gardens. It was also felt that if costs could be analysed to show how they are being allocated to the five garden areas, this may assist the committee in later discussions. A report had also been provided to show sums of money received per road.

Members Reports:

Treasurer:

Jackie Ring had circulated the figures to 30.06.22 prior to meeting. Invoiced income up to June 22 was £88011, representing just over 86% of fees paid in 2022. A further £50 had been received for arrears.

Reminder invoices will be despatched this month to approximately 192 scheme members.

Roads:

Road Works/Repair and Resurfacing –Beehive Lane remedial work is due to take place on 18/19th July.

Drains/Gully Pots – Drain Fixers apologised for the delay in starting the work we had commissioned. They have now completed the survey and the map given to them showing positions of drains/gully pots will be annotated with recommendations/work required.

Graham Groom will be meeting up with representative from Open Reach/their contractor Morrisons to discuss road work required for fibre work currently being conducted in village. Trevor Martin had previously advised them that yes work could be carried out, but roads must be repaired to a good standard. The FRSA cannot be involved with access rights (wayleave agreements) across private gardens/driveways/verges.

Website/IT: All AGM reports now on website. Despite further investigation into a suitable IT software system for the FRSA, it still appears that Xero is the closest match we can get to meet the required needs. This will be reviewed again for 2023.

Road Wardens. Wardens will be delivering reminder payment letters/invoices this month.

Any Other Business:

Pauline Edwards had been contacted by a resident in Ferring Lane. They were experiencing problems with flooding since road had been resurfaced. Ferring Lane is not part of the FRSA, so the resident was signposted to Parish Council and Southern Water.

Trevor Martin had also been contacted by a resident in South Drive with regards to possible yellow lines being placed around their driveway as it was constantly being blocked by parked cars: report to follow for next meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Monday 12th September at 8 Ferring Marine.