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Edenfield Community Neighbourhood Forum.

Minutes from Management Committee Meeting held on 24.07.18 at the Community Centre.

Attendees: - Chairman Ian Lord; Deputy Chairman Paul Williams; Gillian Hoyle; Richard Bishop & Acting Secretary Alan Ashworth.

Guests: - Margaret Filkins; Dave Rawcliffe, Paul Bradburn-Chairman of EVRA & Mark Whitehead.

Apologies: - Richard Lester & Stephen Marley

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Management Committee Meeting and provided the introductions for Mark our Guest. The meeting then proceeded with the agenda items as follows:-

- 1) **Minutes of the Management Committee Meeting dated 12.06.18.** The Chairman asked if all present had reviewed the minutes and agreed they were an accurate record of the meeting. A vote was taken; they were unanimously accepted with no objections and then duly signed.
- 2) **Matters Arising not covered by Agenda Items:** - There were no matters arising that were not covered in Agenda items.
- 3) **Management Committee.** The Chairman reported the resignation of the Acting Treasurer and recorded his appreciation for the contribution Trevor has made in helping to set up the Forum and achieve formal Designation.
- 4) **Membership Update.** We now have 204 Members from 148 Households and 16 Friends of ECNF who live outside the Neighbourhood Area but wish to be kept aware of our progress and activities. (RB will modify the Website to include "Friends of ECNF".)
- 5) **Edenfield Fete.** The Chairman confirmed the success of our Stand at the Fete; we received Membership applications from 73 people in the Neighbourhood Area and ten from People outside the area who have become "Friends of Edenfield Community Neighbourhood Forum".
- 6) **RBC Local Plan & Council Meeting on 11th July 2018.** The Chairman updated the Committee with respect to Councils Regulation 19 Plan and confirmed that they are still proposing 456 new homes for our Village despite their number being reduced from 3975 to 3180. The Council have reduced our number by only ten percent against the twenty percent reduction for the Borough as a whole. The Burnley Road Site for 45 homes has been removed from their Plans.
- 7) **Meeting with Jake Berry MP on the 13th July 2018.** The Chairman advised this was a very useful meeting; Jake suggested we should contact the Portfolio Holder and request the Housing Figure Needs for Edenfield and the Exceptional Circumstances relating to the release of our valuable Green Belt. Jake also advised the Government have a Neighbourhood Planning Champion-John Howell MP and he will arrange for him to contact us. The Chairman has subsequently received a very disappointing response from the Portfolio Holder advising that they have no requirement to provide the individual Housing Needs for each area and we will receive details of the Exceptional Circumstances when they publish their Plan on the 20th August.
- 8) **Neighbourhood Plan.** The Chairman confirmed we have received confirmation of the initial Grant from Locality and we are now awaiting an updated plan from our Professional Planning Expert. This action is to become priority one for the Management Committee with a target to have at the very least an Emerging Plan available for the Planning Inspectorate. Margaret provided some detail she has been recording relating to the traffic delays through the Village and Richard B. will liaise with her to see if this can be automatically recorded on a daily basis.
- 9) **Financial Update.** The Chairman confirmed we have received some additional donations which should cover the challenges up to and including those we are proposing to make during the

August Consultation period. These included a £500 donation from Edenfield Village Residents Association and their Chairman was requested to thank his Committee for this very generous donation. It has to be noted however we still have however a substantial shortfall if we intend to make the robust challenges to the Planning Inspectorate early next year.

10) Funding.

10.1) Donations. Our efforts to date have been positive but it appears that there are still some Residents who are willing to make donations but are not sure what the money is required for and how to make the donation. In view of this we are to provide more information through an e-mail to all Members and a poster campaign for all notice boards, including the Website and Facebook pages. (GH to prepare Poster for Donations and RB to make the changes to the Website & Facebook page.)

10.2) Grants. Investigations have been made into the possibility of support from the National Lottery, the Campaign for Rural England and other more Local sources. The National Lottery does not support projects like ours but we are going to join the Campaign for Rural England at a cost of £36 to see if we can obtain any support from them. We will continue to investigate other sources going forward.

10.3) Other Fund Raising. PB will investigate the possibility of us participating in the Tesco Blue Coin Scheme and we will ask for assistance from other Forum Members at the next meeting to set up a Sub-Committee to look into other ways of raising Funds. Several ideas were discussed; they included a Coffee Morning which is being organised for early September, the setting up of a one hundred Club draw and a Horse Racing Night etc.

11) Publicity & Communications.

11.1) Website & Social Media. It was agreed we need to be more proactive in providing information to RB for the Social Media sites to ensure it is both current and interesting. GH will provide regular updates and design a simple question and answer format to encourage wider interest in the Forum. Additionally, the Chairman will provide a regular letter to keep the Members updated and interested.

Richard provided the latest figures relating to our website, we had 973 Unique Visitors and 1639 Visits to the website during July.

11.2) Twitter. DR suggested we should include Twitter as additional Social Media and he will investigate and arrange to set this up with RB.

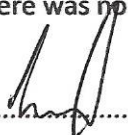
11.3) Communications Strategy & Action Plan - On going.

11.4) Newsletter. We were advised by Paul that the Residents are targeting their next Newsletter for delivery in September and it was agreed that we would target ours for the same period to combine distribution.

12) Date of next Management Committee Meeting. Tuesday 7th August at 7-30pm at the Community Centre.

13) Date of Next Forum Meeting. Tuesday the 14th August at 7-45pm at the Community Centre.

14) Any Other business. There was no other business.

Signed.......... Chairman. Date.....7/8/18.....