## HITCHAM & TAPLOW SOCIETY

# Executive Committee Meeting Taplow House Hotel Monday 15<sup>h</sup> April 2019 8.00pm

# **MINUTES**

Present: Apologies:

Louise Symons

Eva Lipman (chair) Roger Worthington Jonathan Specktor Robert Hanbury Nigel Smales Charlie Greeves Robert Harrap Andrew Findlay

Rupert Sellers

Jacqueline Turner

## 1) ATTENDANCE

As above

### 2) MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the March meeting were agreed and signed.

### 3) TREASURER'S REPORT

Subscriptions had been paid to Chiltern Society (£25), MMPA (£10). Insurance to Zurich (£204.61). Web costs to Roger (£32.64). Current account balance £5738.68. Jacqueline passed over an SO form for a new member. Eva passed a £7 renewal cash sum. The draft subscription reminder letters were agreed for use (attached).

## 4) **NEWSLETTER**

A run of 275 is scheduled for availability 3<sup>rd</sup> May. All complete save last minute entry for the Easter Egg hunt. Nigel had worked with a drone flying friend to take good pictures of Amerden and will look to see what might be done around Taplow. Some discussion on the protocols and restrictions on overflying. **Robert Hanbury** is away for a week now but **would produce a list of cash subscriptions due**.

# 5) PLANNING.

Arising from our earlier comment on a licencing application it appears that such things as parking problems are not material grounds for a licence objection.

EE have applied (L/19/1020/RM) to put a telecoms mast on the A4 adjacent to the Miller and Carter restaurant. We agreed to object.

A side extension at 4 Ye Meads Cottages was discussed but no objection agreed.

Extensive tree pruning at Taplow Quays had been refused by the tree officer as unnecessary.

More critical applications remain undecided.

# 6) EASTER EGG HUNT

29 pre-sold tickets so far. Jacqueline and Roger are attending and will produce list of ticket holders.

### **7) VGP**

Rupert reported that Al Hill had checked with the band. Roger advised that the event licence had been obtained. **Paul Holt** of Taplow United (<a href="mailto:paulgholt@aol.com">paulgholt@aol.com</a>) would be approached to see if the club could support the medical cover for an honorarium. Production of the event flyer to go in the Newsletter would be handled by **Andrew**.

Allocation of the raffle would be held pending first investigation of a WW2 memorial in case it might be used by us as a fund raiser. Other candidates are the church and OPG at this stage. Need to decide by May meeting latest.

### 8) WW2 WAR MEMORIAL

Following the concerns expressed by TPC over adding names to the existing monument it was agreed

that the **church warden and vicar should be informally consulted (Roger**). If not unfavourable then HTS members would be consulted. Jacqueline pointed out that potentially there may be Heathrow sponsored funding for community tasks.

## 9) SPRING LITTER PICK

Jacqueline was congratulated on the excellent results of the TuT litter pick that she and Mike ran. Prepublicity and great organisation produced a high turnout with a very social tea and cake celebration afterwards. Jacqueline has kept a mailing list, hopefully of use next time. She also suggested we should seek sponsorship (e.g. Tesco) for our own hi-vis jackets with logo.

## 10) AOB

Members email. Agreed with revisions to the WW2 item.

TPC wish to invite local groups to the Annual Parish Meeting 7<sup>th</sup> May. Eva will present HTS.

We need to find a speaker for our AGM. Might need to consider paying.

Ideas are also requested for uses of the barn, which TPC are clearing with intent to make usable.

**Nigel** raised the matter that the car park adjacent to the Jubilee has not been re-opened. **We will write** to the Environment Agency requesting clarification with reference to historic statements. He also updated that the scheduled short list process / announcement of a name for Taplow bridge has not happened. He had some trouble uploading a photo to HTS Facebook. Will be resolved with Jacqueline.

Meeting closed at 9:30pm.	Next HTS Meeting: 20th May 8pm Taplow House Hotel
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