

Jaywick Community Forum



OPEN MEETING Golf Green Hall
28th May 2014 10.00am

ATTENDEES:

Ray Hanson, Gill Elkins, Sylvia Hobbs, Brenda Oliver, Dan Casey, Nick Brown (Councillor), David McCulloch, Teresa Watson, Margaret Odell, Paul Honeywood (Essex County Councillor for Clacton West), Les Nicholl (Essex Fire), DC Dale Plant (Essex Police), Tim Young (prospective MP) + 15 members of the public.

APOLOGIES:

Suzy Shimell, Annabelle Binnington.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

Agreed (SH/DC) and signed

MATTERS ARISING:

Dog Fouling - it was suggested that they look at the byelaws regarding dogs e.g. must be on leashes but this looks unlikely to go through council after speaking to the portfolio members about this issue. It was also raised about horses on the beach, it was explained that the requirement of dogs on leashes is only on public highway not the beach.

One Way system – see TW report.

UP DATE FROM CHAIR:

There is quite a bit happening in the play area – there has been trees pulled up and damaged as you are probably aware. To help the CCTV see what is going on the trees that separate the play area from the orchard has been removed. John Oliver has donated a pear tree and Chris Judd has given us a small petrol flymo he no longer uses. Also to make life easier a shrub cutter has been purchased.

UP DATES FROM COMMUNITY ORGANISATION:

S.H. – Golf Green Hall – we do jumble sales most Saturdays through the month. When the library contract is due for renewal if Essex County Council do not pay the rental we will renegotiate the contract with them. Still have lots of bookings. There is the Summer Fayre and the "It Happens in Jaywick" day later this year.

B.O. – there are a lot of rumours going around about the Methodist Church in Jaywick – nothing has been decided and the church is fed up with the rumours so please don't spread news unless you have had it confirmed.

D.C. - Library still going strong with volunteers helping to raise funds via jumble sales etc. There is a new Neighbourhood Watch group now set up in Jaywick, and the Tendring Branch has been split into the Clacton area, which includes Jaywick, Holland, St Osyth etc.

G.E. – Jaywick & Tudor Residents Association has organised another First Aid course – on 3rd July (not June as was said last time) at St Christopher's. We are also holding an "It Happens in Jaywick" day on August 6th at Golf Green Hall.

R.H. – Tendring Community Transport has been lucky and got the same funding from Essex County Council to run the service for another year – there is no decrease, as was expected, nor an increase in the amount. As part of the funding we have to increase our usage by 1%, which has been done in the 2 months of the financial year. We are still trying to sort out about the Hospital Hopper funding we have got until September but if the funding contract is not renewed the service will have to be looked at with the intention of not running it. Jaywick Shopper Hopper grant application in conjunction with Jaywick Forum, we did not get the funding but are looking for other sources. All services we run are full and often oversubscribed. We are trying to get funding to replace one of the buses that is getting old and expensive to maintain.

S.S. – Nothing to Report

REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES

Wardens – we have a Dig 4 Jaywick open day on 24th June at 3pm. We are working with DC/NB regarding some funding the area has received but we need to show a good reason to do, ideas include the one way system being removed, lights for Crossways Park and Lotus Way play area and for a flashing 30 sign in Golf Green Road. We know the One Way system causes problems and is not liked so we feel it is important to maybe get that done. It help that it caused a problem with the evacuation last December.

Police – in regards to the play areas we have spoken the children we have identified as being a problem and also to the parent and this seems to be helping. Crime figures are about the same. When asked about the lights being off it was said there did not seem to be any major impact on crime. Also asked if the police are still carrying the mobile – answered in the affirmative.

Les Nichol, Essex Fire – Spoke about a community shop within Jaywick maybe near to the Resource Centre but it something that needs to come from the community so working with TW to get underway. We are recruiting for fire cadets again this year 13-18 year olds, if anyone knows someone interested please contact me. There was a horrible fire in Southend due to oxygen and smoking the fire brigade have brought machines with a "mister" that will spray the person in the bed for such events. Also been a bad spate of oven fires with ovens that need cleaning and the householder is unable to due to age or infirmity so we have now got people that clean out dirty ovens for the elderly. It is cheaper than getting a tender out for a fire, we can do 10+ for the same cost.

Margaret O'Dell – there is some good news as in we have received some new funding as from 4th June – we are not yet sure of the restrictions on the grant but it is from green fund pot. It does look like we may be able to do some of the "gas" houses but it could mean these houses have a shortfall of £2000-3000 but we are looking into funding from elsewhere. There is an initial cost of £250 for the survey from the homeowner but if work goes ahead this will be refunded. It is still based on carbon reduction, but it is still in the pipeline and we hopefully should be able to start work in July. Renewable heating incentive is being looked into but is very complicated due to the restriction involved with actual homes. We are also looking into Solar Panels. PH added that Tendring District Council were looking into this with Ice Energy

David McCulloch – Tendring District Council are in negotiations with land owners in regard to the scheme to build council houses in Brooklands but nothing has been decided or agreed yet. It will help the regeneration of Jaywick as hopefully it will bring in developers.

Paul Honeywood – Essex County Council councillor – further to DM's report – we are looking at landowners to see what they are willing to sell and at what cost. I am aware discussions are going well with some of the land owners at present. Hope it will encourage private investment as at present whatever they build is not

covered cost wise when they sell on the property, the Tendring District Council project will hopefully increase house prices in the area and make them more inclined to invest, we have had some interest from contractors since the project started. If Tendring District Council build in Jaywick they can recover the cost by rentals. The houses will only go to qualifying residents of Tendring, Tendring District Council want to at least start building by the end of the year.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Newsletter production was agreed.

A notice board for the play area/orchard was discussed - to cost around £500 including installing by that volunteer that does the maintenance of the area - agreed.

Dan Casey asked if the Treasurers report could be added to the agenda – Proposed GE, Seconded DC – all agreed.

Meadow Way - the road is full of pot holes – Essex County Council aware but PH to take a look and push the matter.

Tim Young – said the meeting was interesting and looks forward to helping PH in any way he can.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 27th August at Resource Centre
10.00am.**