

EASTCOTE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Notes on eMeeting held

Tuesday 25th August 2020, at 7.30 by Zoom

1.		Welcome and Residents' issues. - None
2.		Notes for previous emeeting, 28th July 2020 - Approved
3.		Review Matters Arising
4.		Discussions
		1. Local Heritage
5.		Committee Reports
	1.	1. Flooding
		1. LBH Flood Risk, LBH Highways and Thames Water (TW) met with EFLAG representative to discuss flooding issues around junction The Chase/Cheney Street and Bridle Road
		2. Recent heavy rain flooded High Street, Morford Way and Elm Avenue. Also, Abbotsbury, The Glen (water fountained up the drain), and Bridle Road Junction detailed above. Reported to LBH Flooding. Advised those with photos/videos to report to TW as well.
		3. EFLAG meeting to discuss recent heavy rain and standing surface water as well as Councils list of possible improvements 25 th August 2020 10.00 a.m. Zoom.
		2. HARA – These continue to use Zoom – Next Meeting 28 th September 2020
		3. HS2 Community Engagement Meeting – Next Meeting 14 th September – now main works starting these meetings will be every 6 weeks with promised specialist meetings with contractors. Complaints to Helpline must have “Complaint” in the subject line.
		4. HS2/LBH - Hillingdon Community Traffic Working Group next meeting 1 st September 2020
		1. Update on Location 5: Intersection of Meadow Way, Deane Croft Road and Field End Road - Work started 20th August – Meadow Way and Deane Croft Road Closed at junction with Field End Road. Have asked why local representatives not informed of road closures ahead of decision being made.
		2. CONTACTING UKPN DURING WORKS -Should anyone need to contact UKPN during their works - Monday to Friday 0800 028 4587 or care@ukpowernetworks.co.uk Should there be any sort of emergency please call their 24 hour helpline on 0800 316 3105 or 105 from a landline or mobile.
	2.	Environment
		1. Eastcote Conservation Panel – money for Cabinet in Library to house “London in Bloom” Award received. Waiting for right time to install
		2. Green Belt – Next meeting using zoom on 30 September
	3.	Finance – Nothing to report
	4.	Health - Hillingdon Hospital Consultation on redevelopment Official website for this - https://thh.nhs.uk/redevelopment/plans-for-the-new-hospital/ provides all the current information and also a tab for ‘getting involved’ – they are not consulting yet but there is a contact form to complete and they will get back to people to update them and ask for opinions when the time is right, in the course of the timeline of the process which they lay out.
	5.	Newsletter – No Report
	6.	Parks
		1. Eastcote House Gardens – Informal gardening sessions continuing at EHG on various days to suit volunteers.
		2. RWMAG sent details of Zoom Course by Colne Valley about identifying invasive species in our local rivers which has been posted to ERA website.
		3. Faiths Forum Trees
		1. The inspection of the trees next to the War Memorial Garden revealed that one of the hydration bags has a broken zipper apart from that all trees look healthy, although one has a little bit of dead foliage at the top - will continue to monitor.
		2. A Road Steward has reported that the trees in Bessingby Park are OK and that the wildflower meadow is doing well.
		3. Newnham Trees planted – hope to organise installation of plaque by Mayor mid-late September.

		4. Planter corner Deane Croft Road – This has been cleared. Cllr IE reported that the leader of the Council will fund the repair and re-planting of the planter.
	7.	1.Planning Report discussed at meeting. Help or further information on specific cases can be requested by emailing planning@eastcotera.co.uk .
		1. Residents' Planning Forum meetings have resumed online.
		2.“Planning for the Future” document under consultation which closes in October
		3. Changes to Permitted Development rights and the Classes Orders driven by central Government. There was no consultation and all of which will have come into force by 1 st September.
		2. Town Centre
		1. Change of use on Halifax to drinking establishment agreed but need to apply for a licence.
	8.	Policing – No Report
	9.	Road Stewarding/Membership
		1. About 60% subs collected before lockdown. Ability to pay subscriptions online by direct debit is available via the ERA website – a reminder to this effect was sent out in the eweekly news and a poster put on the ERA Notice Boards.
		2. Membership subscriptions pay for running costs of the ERA, not only for the twice yearly newsletter, although a personal copy is a benefit of membership.
		3. Currently there is no plan to produce a printed newsletter. Anyone can post upcoming events on the ERA website diary and news items of interest to the community which will then be circulated via the weekly news emails.
		4. The ERA Committee has continued to be very active during the pandemic period with Committee meetings being held via Zoom
		5. Chair thanked Road Stewards for their support and cited an example of their success in that raising awareness of flooding issues was greatly helped by reports submitted by Road Stewards. There is now an Eastcote Flood Action Group. Road Stewards are not just for collecting subs and delivering newsletters but a local voice/reporter on behalf of their roads. The Association has been running since 1930s; Road Stewards asked to think of how we can ensure it continues!
		6. Proposed to hold similar virtual meets with Road Stewards every quarter.
	10.	Transport – No Report
	11.	Website
6		AOB
		2. Councillors ‘Council Update’
		1. Cllr IE responded to Council Officers regarding issues around closure of service roads (unfairness to other restaurants as well as access for deliveries to other shops). Suggested that giving a licence for pavement seating might be a first step that could apply to all restaurants and thus avoid unfair treatment of just a few traders.
		Meeting closed 8.29pm Next meeting 29 th September 2020 7.30pm Zoom
		Future Meetings – September 29 th 7.30pm, October 27th 7.30pm , Open Forum 10 th November, 25 th November 7.30, No December Meeting.