

EASTCOTE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Notes on February Meeting held by Zoom

Wednesday 1st March 2023, at 7.30 p.m.

		<p>Present: ERA committee members (10). Eastcote Cllr Nick Denys</p> <p>Apologies: ERA committee members (4), Cllr Ian Edwards</p>
1.		Welcome - Chair welcomed everyone.
	1.	No new Residents' issues.
2.		Notes from previous meeting 1st February 2023 - Approved
3.		Matters Arising
		<p>2022.11.6.3 Cllr ND had not seen the Accessibility Report – will be re-sent.</p>
		<p>2023.1.5.1.1.1 Cllr ND has responded that Planning is handling flooding queries</p>
		<p>2023.1.5.6.2.2 Waiting for confirmation about booking pitch for FEHG Summer picnic. Need to think about alternatives to balloons for the picnic and other events</p>
		<p>2023.1.6.3 A new tree has been planted on the junction between Burwood Ave/Rodney Gardens</p>
4.		Committee Reports
	1.	<p>1. Flooding</p> <p>1. There was a request for an advance of £25 for photocopying for EFLAG – this was Approved.</p> <p>2. Attended presentation by Dr. Tom Nisbet of Forestry Research, part of the Brunel University Centre for Flood Risk and Resilience program of engagement with local communities to implement nature-based solutions to manage flood risk, through the Brunel Public Engagement Fund.</p>
		<p>2. HARA Next meeting later in March.</p>
		<p>3. HS2</p> <p>1. Community Engagement meeting 30 January 2023 – still awaiting minutes.</p> <p>2. Tours</p> <p>1. Site Visit to West Ruislip Portal was a successful event – the bright sunny weather enabled good views across the site.</p> <p>2. Site Visit 2 to Align South Portal and Colne Valley Viaduct 10 March or 21 April. 9.30AM – both are now full and there is a waiting list.</p> <p>3. HS2/LBH Traffic – at the last meeting 22nd February 2023 – It was decided to combine both meetings to be held monthly.</p>
	2.	Environment
		ECP – Nothing to report
		1. London Green Belt Council – submission to consultation on National Planning Policy due tomorrow. There will be a webinar on 28 th March at 19.30.
	3.	<p>Finance</p> <p>1. London Green Belt Council £25 paid.</p> <p>2. Photocopying y/e2022 £45 (an average of the last 4 years) to be re-imbursed – this was Approved.</p> <p>3. Please can anyone with outstanding expenses claim them asap</p>
	4.	Health - Still need someone to come forward to take on this role
	5.	Newsletter – Still need some-one to come forward to take on this role.
	6.	Parks
		1. RWMAG – next meeting April
		2. FEHG – The 7 new trees will be planted on 14 March.
	7.	<p>Planning</p> <p>1. Planning Report discussed at meeting. Help or further information on specific cases can be requested by emailing planning@eastcotera.co.uk.</p>
		2. Town Centre – nothing on shop fronts. 3 reports on unauthorised advertising – all have been taken down.

	8.	Policing – The SNT Ward panel met on Wednesday 15th February. Whilst there has been an increase in almost all types of offence, Eastcote remains a low crime area compared to most areas of London (54.9 offences per 1000 population over the last year compared to 108.5 per 1000 overall) and also compared to a number of adjacent areas. Speeding in Bridle Road raised and also referred to Cllr ND to follow up. Response - speed cameras and other measures only justified in high risk areas and Bridle Road is not classified as such.
	9.	Road Stewarding/Membership We have heard this month of 3 Road Stewards whom we have to thank for their long service with ERA as they now have to give up their duties. We wish them well. Following contact with more Stewards, further roads have been/will be receiving our ERA flyer to re-engage with residents and with a view to increasing our membership, on the basis of “The more members, the more say.”
	10.	Transport - Nothing from FOMLUC
	11.	Web & Tech - No report
6		AOB
	1.	Council Update: 1.Cllr ND asked if the Cllrs report could at the beginning. Mixed response. Move forward in agenda if necessary. 2.LBH Campaigning against ULEZ. 3.Consultation on Library Strategy. Cllr ND to send details to committee.
	2.	Message on behalf of the Eastcote Residents' Association Committee sent to The Worshipful the Mayor of Hillingdon Cllr Becky Haggard-Kaikitis, thanking her for her hospitality. The visit to the Mayor's Parlour was a privilege. After a chat and some light refreshments there was an interesting talk about the various artifacts on display followed by a visit to the Council Chamber where a mock debate was enacted. It was a very informative and enjoyable evening.
	3.	Eastcote Cricket Club invited members of the local community to a get together to re-engage after the pandemic – it was a very pleasant evening. The Colts have 370 members and have been renamed as Juniors because now includes a strong girl's section.
		Meeting closed: 20:49
		Future Meetings – Zoom: March meeting 29th March. In person: April meeting 26th April, AGM 23rd May, June meeting 28th June, Zoom if necessary - July meeting 2nd August, In person: September meeting 27th September, OF 25th October. Zoom 29th November