



Love's Farm Community Association Meeting

Held at Love's Farm House
on 15th March 2017
Started at 19.30

Meeting Minutes:

Attendees: Marcus Pickering, Barry Chapman, Julie Wisson, Romana Kandziora, Ben Pitt, Emma Stevens, Penny Norton, Eleanor Gray, Steve and Di Briggs, Becky Symms, Lynda Cronin, David Wells.

Joined for some of meeting: Tracey Bryden and Helen, Ruth and Jo from Fantastical Cambridgeshire.

Apologies: Jenny Parris, Keela Shackell-Smith, Helen Tame, Caroline Gregson, Lynn Bleakley and Ian Gardener.

Marcus opened meeting explaining due to absences and late comers we would not follow agenda and start with working groups.

Minutes accepted with one amendment.

Sport relief money is £100 not £200 as stated.

Actions will be covered throughout meeting

Working Groups:

No reports from **Dog group** or **SMART**.

Events: Emma Lovelock

- **Easter Egg hunt 2017:** running from 28th March – 17th April 2017. Free to take part, Forms available from Farm house, Tesco, Emma's house and also downloadable from website. Draw will take place at Farm house on 18th April 2017

- **Chocolate Bingo:** 13th April 2017 at Farm House @ 6.30pm – 8-30pm
£1.00 for 10 games
- **Quiz:** 31st April 2017 – Tony a resident to be quiz master but as Emma is away she will prepare a backup quiz in case of any issues and supply prizes before she leaves.

Parking – David Wells

- Go ahead for parking restrictions from Cambridgeshire County Council (CCC)
- Will be a consultation with residents
- Double yellow lines for safety (bends and chicanes)
- Single lines with restricted hours
- Will publish a map once confirmed in first instance on the website.
- It was asked if a negative response from residents could that overturn decision? It was confirmed it could but only if a large number of strong objections.
- Timescale – After consultation, approximately 12 weeks.
- Marcus thanked the people involved with the project.
- Barry Chapman also mentioned that he has asked St Neots Football Club if they are prepared to reopen their pay and display car park again (to North of Farm House) – awaiting response.

Street Reps – Romana

- Feedback on behalf of Caroline Gregson - Neighbourhood watch has made progress and North of Estate ready to start
- Signs have been ordered, but need permission from Highways to put up and is currently in hand in conjunction with Daniel the PCSO for estate.
- Caroline to lead the North, Helene to lead the middle section and Romana to lead the South.
- No new reps – but regular communication emails from Romana now going out with regular updates.

Finance – Nothing to report – David Wells

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### **Fantastical Cambridgeshire:**

Introduced themselves and little about what they do:

- Part of a charity – Cambridge Curiosity and imagination
- Their objective – artists and creative thinkers working to develop qualities of imagination, starting with children upwards.
- Working with the Roundhouse School and looking at the world through children's eyes and the adventures to be had on Love's Farm and form a map of the county on a fantastical way!
- St Neots was started in Eynesbury and currently active in the Offords and now Love's Farm.
- They want to start with the school and then open to the wider community, developing a 24hr fantastical adventure.
- St Neots museum is also involved and the planned date for Love's Farm is 30<sup>th</sup> June going through to 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017.
- A diary of the process of the mapping is on their website – [Cambridgecandi.org.uk](http://Cambridgecandi.org.uk)
- Will link up with Little Love's and gave info of the clubs held here on Love's Farm (Brownies, Cubs etc.)

**Action: Marcus/Ben to add link up on Website**

(Helen Ruth and Jo all left meeting at this point)

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Potential Roundhouse School oversubscription:

Tracey Bryden – Head of Roundhouse School

Emma Stevens – Set up oversubscription Facebook page

- Emma introduced her concerns and why she set up FB group. Emma explained that by living on Lannesbury Crescent she may not get a place at the school for her son.
- The Facebook group has grown in numbers with a growing number of parents also concerned not only for this year but also for the future
- She has heard that some children didn't get a place last year and must attend schools off the estate and has started a petition for this to be addressed – has 80 signatures so far.
- Tracey gave responses – Sympathises situation and is aware of the issues last year.
- She confirmed that the LA have consulted with her regarding a 3-form entry looks unlikely.
- The LA are looking at demographics – unfortunately not within the school's powers.
- Marcus asked about an extension to the school. Tracey said that they would have to build upwards and need new kitchens and a larger school hall and funding would have to come from the local authority.
- It was asked what schools are likely to have spaces nearest to Love's Farm – St Mary's, Priory and Winhills.
- Tracey explained that they should only have 60 in reception and currently have 63 and 6 unfortunately were unsuccessful in securing place last year
- 1.5 or 2.5 entry is possible but not always a way forward.
- Barry and Julie both mentioned that the 20% additional residential housing has not been considered.
- It was confirmed that the school has been oversubscribed and this will also affect any new families that move to estate now too as deadline was January.
- Mid-April people will find out school places and there is currently a waiting list for other years too.

- This was a concern that even for those that have no children it could affect house prices in the future.

- Marcus Summarised – Way forward

Julie will continue to discuss with LA for this year and future

She confirmed that LA are taking seriously and aware of concerns and issues

LFCA are publicising petition on website

Julie advised Emma to send to Children and Young Peoples Committee at Cambridgeshire County Council.

Northern access update: Julie Wisson

- concerns – removal of raising bollards and permanent closure of northern access at top of Hogsden Leys
- No further information at this point or confirmation if or when they are being removed.
- Julie will continue to investigate.

Senior Youth Club

- Now lost slot at Love's Farm House
- There is a possibility of making junior club 5-6 and senior youth club at 6pm and push the Bar back until 8pm but this still needs to be discussed.

Love's Farm House update – Ben Pitt

- New classes – Parent and Baby Yoga, Baby Zumba and Circuits class.
- WI have now left as couldn't offer and earlier slot – now at F.C.

Volunteer Social – 24th March

- Ben to complete some small invites
- Romana to promote to Street Reps

Community Plan – Eleanor Gray

- Please see scanned document – this is a revised and updated community plan adding comments and focus points identified from February meeting and changes suggested.
- Discussion was had and happy with points added and out of date issues removed.
- Will continue to be a working document – next steps on scanned document.

Next meeting: Wednesday 19th April @ 19.30