



Love's Farm Community Association Meeting
Love's Farm House
18th October 2017
19.30

Meeting notes

Agenda Item

<p>1 Attendees</p> <p>Emma Stevens Ellie Gray Emma Lovelock Steve Briggs Di Briggs Marcus Pickering Romana Kandziora Helene Tame David Wells Penny Norton Ben Pitt Barry Chapman Jenny Lincoln</p>	<p>Apologies</p> <p>Julie Wisson Ian Gardener</p>
<p>2 Notes/Actions from last meeting.</p> <p>Dips in village green and inventory still to be acted upon. Helene had received a reply from HDC with regard to the extra bin request and had been told that there were 21 bins which was considered enough but the situation would be the subject of ongoing review. This was in contrast to a conversation Barry had had, during which he was asked where did we want extra bins located. Redrow bin situation not yet resolved ¹ Rotary club article still to do. Christmas tree wiring now in place – another tree for LFH requested (to be paid by LFH).</p>	
<p>Build great relationships in our community.</p>	
<p>3 AGM plans</p> <p>Final touches / timetable for this year's community awards, quiz and AGM were agreed. LFCA Chair and financial reports were to be put on the tables to ensure the brevity of the business part of the meeting. Elections of Chair (MP) Vice chair (HT) and Secretary (EG) would be included, as would parking and community plan updates. A community plan flier and post it notes to be put on tables to facilitate comments/feedback.</p>	
<p>4 Working Groups</p> <p><u>Events</u> – Carol singing 19th December, Pumpkin festival during half term and chocolate bingo between Christmas and New Year (small price increase).</p> <p><u>Street reps</u> – a new street rep has come forward for Middle Ground. Romana has received comments from a street rep about Station Square and Loves Farm Runners have been signposted to the Tesco's Bags of Help scheme to make a direct bid for funding.</p>	
<p>Develop and manage shared resources and spaces</p>	
<p>5 Round House Capacity Campaign update.</p> <p>There has been a public meeting, at which the two prospective sponsors for the new school presented their bids. The decision will be finalised at the CC Children and Young Persons Committee meeting on 14th November. The agenda will be published on 7th November, at which point the decision will be public knowledge. Applications for next year places take place in November but it has been agreed that parents can revise their decisions once the full picture has been made available. There was some discussion about catchment areas. There has been an undertaking that all Love's Farm children will be able to have a place at one of the two schools. The CC intends to carry out a survey and LCFA reps have been sent a draft so as to enable some input. However the timescale was short and so it was agreed that we would not suggest any additional questions but would encourage participation.</p>	

¹ Subsequent to this meeting, the relevant bins have now been removed and a new HDC bin installed.

6	<p>Northern access update.</p> <p>The concrete block has still not been removed There has not been any further response from the Mayor. There has been recent publicity given to what is described as a St Neot's Master Plan which would result in £5.8million pound investment (to be added to from other sources) in regenerating the town centre. What impact this might have on Love's Farm is not yet known</p>
7	<p>Parking scheme update.</p> <p>There have been 331 responses to the survey so far, with 80% of those being in favour or the proposals for the spine roads. 48% of the responses have been in favour of the side road proposals and 18% wanting no side road restrictions. There will be a presentation at the AGM with an option of a later dedicated parking meeting if demand warranted it.</p>
8	<p>Farm House update.</p> <p>LFH is 2 year old next week and there are a variety of events planned to include Neon and Halloween discos, an indoor boot sale and a jam session. The FH will have two new trustees to be elected at the AGM. Ongoing premises issues – blinds and ventilation continue.</p>
9	<p>Tesco Bags of Help Scheme.</p> <p>Money raised from the 5p bag levy is available for community groups. We can apply for grants between £1000 and £4000 for projects that benefit the community. An opportunity to share ideas about how this could benefit us.</p> <p>Carried over until next meeting</p>
10	<p>Working groups.</p> <p><u>SMART</u> – going well – indoor SMART planned to continue once or twice a year. Next dates 11th November 6th January.</p> <p><u>Loves Farm Blooms</u> – in hand.</p> <p><u>Finance</u> – as LFCA has no income and has expenditure on, for example, printing there is a need for a financial forecast.</p>
11	<p>Update on plans for Wintringham Park</p> <p>Rebecca Britton from Urban & Civic, the developer of Wintringham Park attended the meeting to provide further information on the latest plans. It has not been decided whether to keep the "Park" in the development name. There are two open events next Saturday and Monday – one of these at LFH to enable those interested to find out the latest information.</p> <p>Rebecca reiterated Urban & Civic's commitment to the early development of community facilities and that they maintained control of the development to ensure no increase in housing density beyond what has been agreed. In addition they were responsible for their own "grey and green infrastructure"</p> <p>There will be 2,800 homes and 63.500 sq metres of commercial area. She emphasised the work being done with partners - councils and others such as Nuffield Trust. There was a stated objective to create a healthy, resilient cohesive community - a well connected place of character with good transport links. She shared a plan which showed all the green spaces. There was some discussion on the provision of the primary schools, which is of obvious concern to LF residents.</p>
12	<p>AOB.</p> <p>There is an area in Station Square which floods. Di was asked to send a photo to Marcus for further action.</p>