

HITCHAM & TAPLOW SOCIETY

Executive Committee Meeting Larkspur Mill Lane Monday 17th October 2022 8.00pm

MINUTES

Present:

Eva Lipman (chair)
Jacqueline Turner
Rupert Sellers
Cat Howard

Roger Worthington
Robert Harrap
Charlie Greeves
Mike Turner (part)

Apologies:

Jonathan Specktor
Fred Russell
Andrew Findlay
Robert Hanbury

1) ATTENDANCE

As above

2) MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the October 2022 minutes were agreed and signed

3) MATTERS ARISING

Nothing not covered in the agenda. In an unscheduled item, Mike Turner and Cat Howard were co-opted onto the committee pending their formal election at the Annual General Meeting (AGM). Mike agreed to take over the duties of the treasurer on Robert Hanbury's standing down at the AGM. Both were welcomed by the committee.

1) TREASURER'S REPORT

In the absence of Robert Hanbury Roger confirmed balances as: £9618.40 and £484.36

2) NEWSLETTER

Roger thanked committee members for their help and contributions to the autumn issue. It is essentially complete and 90% formatted but is presently delayed as Andrew has been taken ill. The committee offered their sympathy and Roger would keep the committee updated on progress and date for distribution.

3) PLANNING

Old Lodge West is struggling to get an approval to change a garage to accommodation past the Heritage officers.

An application from Maryfield to erect a six car garage on a piece of adjacent ground was refused on both Green belt and overbearing bulk,

Buckinghamshire Unitary Council (BUA) cabinet is slow to make first approvals of Local Heritage Asset listings.

The Environment Agency has officially closed the car park at the weir despite it being part of the original planning approvals.

It transpires that the dates given by BUA for the re-installation of the Jubilee Footbridge were fallacious as there is no money for the work. No date yet given. Suggest that this be made the subject of representations next year as BUA considers its budgets. Involve our MP.

4) WAR MEMORIAL

Adrian is at work on this. He is hopeful of completion in time for Remembrance Sunday. A documentation problem means that one name will appear out of alphabetic order.

5) **CELTIC CROSS UPDATE**

Roger is chasing sources of funds. It was suggested he try Taplow and Hitcham Recreation Grounds Association (THRGA).

6) **AGM**

The AGM is moved to Wednesday 7th December. Several suggested speakers are being contacted.

7) **AOB**

Robert advised that in collaboration with St Nicolas Church there are some guided tours of Taplow Court as fundraisers for the renovations of the Orkney crypt.

Cat indicated that she would work to revive the Carols on the Green at Christmas time and work with Rupert in support of the Village Green Party (VGP).

Meeting closed at 9pm.

Next committee meeting: Monday November 14th 8pm. Larkspur

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