

**HENGISTBURY RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION**  
**MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING WEDNESDAY 1<sup>st</sup> JUNE 2022.**  
**Venue: St.Nicholas Church Hall, Broadway, Southbourne, BH6 4EP, 7.30pm**

Committee:

Chairman	Avril Ogden
Vice Chair	Vacant
Treasurer	Sarah Willett (Absent)
Secretary	Avril Ogden
Membership Secretary	Avril Ogden
Henra IT and Website	External
Meet & Greet	Hilary Baker
Socials - In House	Avril Ogden
Socials - External	Avril Ogden
Programme & Newsletters	Avril Ogden
General Committee	Deborah Bergson Pat Butler Roger Street

Hon President                      Tony Yates (Absent)

**Apologies received from :**

Deborah Bergson

Welcome to you all. I hope you can all hear me OK? Can everybody at the back hear?

I don't think there's anyone here tonight that hasn't been before so I won't go through all the normal notices - I'll give you a break for a change!

Just to remind you that I am recording the meeting. Everyone has signed in, I hope?

Just a reminder that when we come to Q & As after each section, we've got a microphone here for you to use and Roger is going to come round with it. Please make sure to hold it to your mouth - don't just sit with it on your lap or wave it around in front of you!

As you know, this meeting in June, being our last indoor meeting of the season, would normally be our Social but as this hall doesn't really lend itself to be able to distance the tables properly, it was decided to cancel the social part of the evening. I've re-booked our entertainer for the Christmas social in December and fingers crossed we can have that meeting without having to cancel yet again.

You should all have received an email advising that our Annual Boat Trip and BBQ is definitely going ahead and that I did manage to negotiate with Bournemouth Boating & Tuckton Tea Gardens that they would hold the prices the same as last year. We are limited to the number of bookings we can take so I am allocating the spaces available on a first come first served basis.

If you are not on email, I have a few spare copies of the booking forms here tonight. It's also worth mentioning that if you don't fancy the boat trip, you can still book to come for the BBQ only and details are also on the booking forms.

## **POLICE PCSO Amber**

Unfortunately Amber wouldn't use the microphone and as a result, very little of what was said was picked up on the recorder.

## **SPEAKER**

I am now very pleased to welcome our speaker, David Richmond Coggan, of the wonderful RNLI. David is now Chairman of the Christchurch & Bournemouth Fundraising branch.

So over to you David.

David mentioned that all funds raised in this area, stay in this area.

He then gave us a short illustrated history of the RNLI and what it's like to go out on a lifeboat.

A very interesting and informative presentation.

## **WARD COUNCILLORS**

The next item is our Ward Councillors. Malcolm isn't here - I don't know why.

Just before I pass you over to Eddie, you were going to let us know about the Jubilee Charity Concert

A question from the audience about the progress with the situation at the seafront regarding the Restaurant etc. Eddie then updated us on this, also about the Pop-up restaurant and the double decker bus due there for the summer period.

Tomorrow night there will be the lighting of the beacon for the Queen's Jubilee and followed by fireworks.

The unveiling of the new Charles Rolls Heritage memorial will be opened on 12<sup>th</sup> July up by the Hiker Café.

The Queen's Jubilee Charity Concert will be at St.Peters School on 23<sup>rd</sup> July - bring a picnic

One other thing, there's a planning application regarding 103 Wick Village to change from a 3-bedroom to a 6-bedroom

From Avril - Last month, Malcolm mentioned that there was a planning application going in regarding Broadwaters but I haven't seen anything on the BCP website.

Eddie - Not sure - I'll need to look into this

Avril - So with no other questions from the audience, I just have a few more final notices

## **Any Other Business**

I will be starting to get membership subscriptions renewed in the next few weeks and do hope you will continue to support HENRA.

Again, I'd like to thank everyone who has purchased tickets in the BH Coastal Lottery via the Henra page. We're getting quite a nice little bit of income from this.

We do still need a Secretary. I've been asking for somebody to come forward since I took over 4 years ago, at every single meeting. This isn't as daunting as it might sound. As things are at the moment, the main duty will be to take Minutes at our general meetings but obviously as things improve, the duties might be more involved. The Secretary, will of

course, be able to vote at committee meetings and have a say in how Henra proceeds in the future.

Another vacancy on the committee that we do urgently need is that of In-House Social Secretary. We only have two in-house socials each season, in June and December. There's not a great deal of work involved - just obtaining the liquid refreshment and any sundries, preparing the tables for the food donations and setting up and clearing away afterwards. Usually there will be a couple of members who will help with the clearing away.

At the moment, as things stand, because I haven't got anybody, I have to tell you that if I don't get an offer for someone to come on the committee and take on this role, I'm not going to arrange any more socials, I am going to cancel the social side of our future meetings, including the entertainment I've already organized because I just cannot take on any more myself. I need someone to come forward before the end of September to take this on. So, if I don't get an offer for someone to come on the committee and take on this role then the social side of HENRA is going to be cancelled.

The exception is the boat trip & BBQ for next month which is still going ahead. If you don't have a printer and can't print out the booking form for this, I've got some forms with me.

The Minutes from our meeting last month which was also our AGM are now up on the HENRA website along with more detailed Annual Reports.

To celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, there is a Jubilee Afternoon of Tea, Cake & a Chat, to be held here at St.Nicholas Church, outdoors if weather permits, on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June, tomorrow, 2.30 to 4.30pm. The afternoon will include some music and singing. The person organizing it said they'd let me have further details but I haven't heard anything else.

I am also starting the process of preparing our next brochure and arranging speakers for our next season. As regards speakers, I will try and re-book those that have had to be cancelled due to Covid and obviously it will depend on whether the people are still prepared to come out.

I also need to find some advertizers so if any of you have a business or trade you would like to promote, the prices to advertize in our brochure are very reasonable. At the moment I don't have the exact prices but I think there might be a very slight increase over the last four years. Our printers have held their prices for the past four years but unfortunately, their suppliers of paper etc have all put their prices up so there might be a small increase to advertize but it won't be very much.

So that's about it from me unless anybody has anything else they wish to raise before we finish for the evening?

So thank you to those of you who are going to stay and help to put the chairs away. Please make sure that the red ones are put up on the stage here otherwise I get my knuckles rapped.

So get home safely everyone and see you in October. Don't forget to keep checking the Members' Area of our website for notices.

Meeting Closed at...8.50 pm

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