

SLEEPERS HILL ASSOCIATION REPORT - OCTOBER 2010

ANNUAL MEETING – SUNDAY 21 NOVEMBER AT 1200 NOON AT THE JOHN STRIPE THEATRE WINCHESTER UNIVERSITY.

1. AGM VENUE: We were very grateful to Winchester University for allowing us to use their facilities once again for our AGM. Now that Highcroft is no longer available, this is the closest venue which can comfortably seat those attending. For those who do not wish to walk, parking is available on a Sunday morning and it is hoped that as many residents as possible will be able to attend. There will be the opportunity to meet and mingle over drinks and nibbles after the meeting.
2. COMMITTEE: We are grateful to all the Committee members for their work on your behalf throughout the year and in particular Christine Wallage and Don Midgley for their roles as Hon Secretary and Hon Treasurer respectively.
3. FINANCE: We propose that subscriptions are maintained at £45 per household for this year. Please bring your cheque books to the AGM. We are grateful to John Monkcom for examining the accounts once again and, although he is planning to move from the Hill, he has agreed to act for a further year.
4. ROAD MAINTENANCE: The road surface stood up reasonably well to the harsh winter and some minor repairs have been carried out. Resurfacing with a tar and chip surface is now becoming a priority and it is recommended that this should be carried out as soon as possible. It is sixteen years since the Hill was last resurfaced and it is hoped that sufficient funds will be available in 2011/12 depending on the receipt of detailed estimates.
5. SNOW: We are grateful to all those who assisted in keeping the Hill open during the heaviest period of snow for many years. Two tonnes of additional rock salt were purchased and we now have over 40 x 25kg bags of salt strategically placed with resident along the Hill as well as a new salt bin at the junction of George Eyston Drive with the Hill.
6. HIGHCROFT: Construction work on Highcroft has caused little disruption to residents and we are advised that completion is due in Spring 2011
7. WEBSITE: A website www.sleepershill.org.uk has been created which contains information useful to residents. This will be refined and further information added over time and we are grateful to John Stanning for undertaking this work on our behalf.
8. CAR PARKING: The Government is proposing to introduce legislation which will forbid clamping of vehicles on private property. This would mean that our agents, CPS Enforcement, would no longer be permitted to clamp/remove vehicles but would have to issue parking tickets instead. We are taking advice and will keep residents updated on the best solution to deter selfish and dangerous parking if the changes go ahead.
9. SPEEDING: The Council have recently installed two speed monitoring signs for a limited period which flash a warning if a vehicle exceeds 30 mph. This follows an unsuccessful trial earlier in the year when both signs proved faulty. Following the trial we will be provided with information on the number of vehicles which caused the sign to flash.
10. ANNUAL PARTY: Our thanks to Steve and Bish Osborne for hosting the Summer Party, which was thoroughly enjoyed by the large number of residents who attended. The residents of King's Crescent have very kindly offered to host the party in 2011 and we should be very grateful for the offer of a venue for 2012.

Paul Barlow – Chairman