



Silvery Sands

Residents Association

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT ST PETERS CHURCH HALL, Thursday 24th March 2022

Apologies: Dorothy & Doug Reoch, Penny Nieto and David Blum

Minutes of the last meeting: The minutes of the last AGM held on 6th March 2020 were accepted as a true record of the meeting.

Matters arising: There were no matters arising.

Attendees – We had a record turnout of over 40 households.

1/ Chair's report

The residents' summer and Christmas parties had to be postponed over the last two years due to Covid restrictions, but will be reinstated in 2022. There are several opportunities in 2022 for residents to celebrate together:-

- Jubilee street party on Friday June 3rd organised by Emma Sayle;
- SSRA summer party on Silvery Sands will be Saturday June 24th which is the same as Staines-Upon-Thames day.
- Christmas Party.

Rubbish bins have been in place for a while now on Silvery Sands. Unfortunately though they will soon to be removed as the council does not have sufficient funds to have them emptied.

Thank you to David Musters for his work in clearing the fallen trees on Silvery Sands to prevent flooding and keep the neighbourhood clean and tidy.

2/ Treasurer's Report

I am pleased to report that 2020 and 2021 were once again good years in respect of received subscriptions. There were only 8 non payers this year down from 15. We will strive to improve that this year.

Thank you to Phil Bergquist for his work on the website information which has helped inform people about our association and prompt subscription payments. Thanks also to Michele for chasing up households. Subscriptions remained at £90 as there was no AGM to update it. Hence, we have fallen behind inflation.

There was very little expenditure during 2020 and 2021. My thanks to residents who carried out patch repairs in 2020 and to those who conducted warden patrols, which incurred minor costs.



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The overall aim however, was to accumulate monies for the repair of Thames Side which is the last road to be re-surfaced and is in poor condition with many pot holes. Wheatsheaf Lane and Riverside Close having been repaired fairly recently are holding up well and should last for many years.

Our cash position at the end of 2021 stands at £21,189:87.

Three options for the level of subscriptions in 2022 were proposed and voted on by AGM members (one vote per household) :-

Option	Proposed for 2022	Increase	Votes
1	£90	£0	3
2	£120	£30	18
3	£150	£60	15

It was therefore agreed to increase subscriptions by £30 to £120 per household for 2022.

The SSRA financial year is from April 1st to March 31st so subs for 2022 are now due.

Please make use of our new **Barclays Bank Account: Sort Code 20-45-45, Account No.40671851** please include somewhere in the “details” box; your name or address. Alternatively, your Treasurer will be pleased to accept cheques at 84B Thames Side.

The Treasurer's report was proposed and accepted by the AGM members.

3/ Road Maintenance Report – Proposed Work and Expenditure

The main priority continues to be to accumulate sufficient funds to enable longer term solutions to the road surfacing of Thames Side – hence the requirement to increase subscriptions so that this work can be carried out in the next few years.

The committee has obtained one financial costing and proposal for this work. However, we are aware that with inflationary pressures this can only be an indication of likely costs; but it is useful to have it as an estimate. The cost to resurface Thames Side was approximately £57,000 or to patch it was £35,000. The committee will continue to investigate solutions and costs over the next year.

It was agreed that patching would be a waste of money. Hence, we will continue to save to do the job properly and look to work parties to fill the pot holes to keep ongoing costs to the minimum.

There will be a pot hole filling for Thames Side and verge clearing work party for Thames Side and Wheatsheaf Lane in May.



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4/ Election of The Committee

The whole committee stood down for re-election in accordance with the constitution. The new committee was proposed and accepted by the AGM as follows:-

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Role	Standing Down	New Committee
Chairman	Michele Gibson	David Musters
Treasurer	Merrill April	Anitha Subramanian
Secretary	Rani Gill	Merrill April
Web Master	Phil Bergquist	Phil Bergquist
NHW Coordinator	Haydn Tanner	James Tindall Chris Turk
Assistants	Andy Duncan Bob Douglas	Christine Davies Karen Roake

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- **Security**

Thank you to Haydn for his work with NHW which has also ensured that SSRA has good relationships with our local police. Consequently we have had a prompt response when needing to report anti-social behaviour such as people shooting swans.

- **SSRA Constitution**

It was agreed that the new committee would be asked to review the constitution to ensure that it still meets the needs of the association.

- **Vote of thanks**

AGM members expressed their thanks to the committee for all of their hard work over the last 2 difficult years.

Meeting closed at 21:15hrs.