# Minutes Of the Annual General Meeting of Hughenden Valley Residents' Association 5th June 2007

- 1. Present: Paul Cawte (Chairman), Angus Idle (Vice Chair), Fran Slater (Treasurer), Fiona Humphreys (Secretary). The meeting was quorate with 22 members.
- **2. Apologies**: Wendy Roebuck, Dory Morgan, David Sharp, Jenny McGee, Sara Hamilton
- **Minutes of the 2006 AGM** were circulated. Acceptance of the minutes proposed by Alma Hanson, seconded by Edna Parker, all agreed.
- 4. Matters arising from previous minutes.
  None
- 5. Chairman's Report:

The Chairman (Paul Cawte) read his report, (a copy of which will be printed in the Newsletter).

The Chairman opened his report by thanking all road representatives and members of the committee for their valued support and assistance over the past year. He outlined the involvement the Association had in the various village events which have included the Potter Cup Quiz, the Senior Citizens Event, the Village Day in 2006 and the Village Hall Christmas Bazaar and individually thanked those members who had contributed to the success of these events. In particular he thanked Rosemary Hewitt and Sara Hamilton.

In connection with road safety, the Chairman drew the meeting's attention to the proposed turn off of street lights from Cryers Hill towards High Wycombe. Concern over the safety aspects of this action had driven extensive correspondence with the County Council Transport Department and a meeting with Councillor Letheren. It is proposed that a petition will be mounted against this action.

The Chairman was pleased to report that replacement trees had been planted along Valley Road and that local residents would continue to refrain from parking on the open grass area. His report then covered crime prevention in the valley. He outlined the work of the Planning Subcommittee and thanked Dory Morgan and Rosemary Hewitt for their work in this area.

A new subcommittee has been formed during the year in association with the Hughenden Allotment and Garden Association (HAGA) and this group will represent the interests of all allotment garden tenants in the Valley.

The Chairman thanked Janet Idle, assisted by her husband, Angus for her work on the Hughenden News Magazine which has been very successful and he also thanked the Parish Council for their financial contribution. He also thanked Robert Ralphs for his work on the valley web site and welcomed Tony Konieczny who is taking over from Robert.

The Chairman then described the projects that the Association has contributed to over the year including the continued adoption of the bench seat adjacent to the village hall and support for the Ecology Working Party. The Association also supports the initiative set up to regain a local shop which has been commenced by Louise Jones and concluded his report with his personal thanks to the other committee members for their work over the past year.

#### 6. Treasurer's Report.

The Treasurer (Fran Slater) presented the Accounts for the past 12 months, which had been audited by Nigel Lanchbury (circulated).

She clarified the position of the two accounts and went through the sources of income and expenditure that have occurred in the year. This included mention of a grant received from the Parish Council towards the cost of the newsletter and noted that although currently the cost of production is below the advertising income, the Association is confident that this balance will change over the coming year with the amount of advertisers continuing to grow.

The treasurer noted that this year the income has exceeded expenditure by £487.36, giving a balance of £5850.60.

#### 6. Election of Officers

The officers for the coming year were appointed as follows:

Office	Nominee	Proposer	Seconder
Chairman Vice Chair Treasurer	Paul Cawte Angus Idle Fran Slater	Edna Parker Rosemary Hewitt Sara Hamilton	Doreen Bryant Janette Saville Edna Parker
Secretary	Fiona Humphreys	Linda Hicks	Janet Idle

#### 7. Open Forum

It was noted that Valley Road would be closed in the evenings from 11<sup>th</sup> June for 5 nights as the road studs were being replaced.

Louise Jones addressed the meeting to inform those present that there has been an excellent response to the Village Shop initiative and that a steering committee had been formed and a feasibility study was being carried out. She also brought to the meetings' attention a public meeting proposed for September or October.

The Annual General Meeting was brought to a close at 8.30pm

**Speaker**: Mrs Jill Ken of Old House Farm was welcomed and gave a most interesting talk on Farming in the Valley.

## Hughenden Valley Residents Association **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2008 7.30pm Main Village Hall

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Welcome and apologies for absence
- 2. Approval of the minutes of AGM 2007
- 3. Matters arising from previous minutes
- 4. Chairman's report
- 5. Treasurer's report and ratification of subscription fees.
- 6. Election of Officers for 2008/9
  - Chairperson
  - Vice Chairperson
  - Treasurer
  - Secretary
- 7. Open Forum
- 8. Closure of Formal Meeting

### **Guest Speaker**

Heather Couper CBE

The Skies the Limit: From Top Shop to Astro-Physics
And
What's up in the sky?