**PEASLAKE COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Meeting held on Monday 7th March, 2022, in Peaslake Memorial Hall at 8.00pm**

**The meeting was chaired by Jim Collin and attended by 17 Peaslakers**

**Present:** Julie Barham, Nick Bray, Sally Bray, Andy Clayton, Jim Collin, Nigel Downer, Caroline Earle, Christine Harrison, Zoe Horton, Anne Heyes, Jim Heyes, Marion Jones, Jeff Jones, Keir Schilte, Deb Stevens, Kevin Stevens, Marion Taylor-Cotter.

**Apologies:** Adrienne Golightly, Janette Weller, Mark Weller, Nick Wells, Gerry Reffo, Ann Taylor

**Treasurer’s Report**

Marion Taylor-Cotter confirmed that the balance still stood at £706.36 as no insurance policy had yet been arranged. A number of people were looking for quotes. Julie Barham is currently coordinating.

**Matters arising from last month’s Minutes**

These are covered below under Shere Parish Council.

**B4SH Update**

Nick Wells was unable to attend the meeting, but had sent in a verbal report. Good progress had been made in the Ewhurst Road area and this was encouraging B4SH to press ahead with the next step. The current thinking was that the order of connection would be Walking Bottom, Pond Lane, Radnor Road and Jesses Lane. It was anticipated that the north end of the Village would be reached by November.

**Village Events**

**Peaslake Village Fair**

There will be a meeting on March 21st at 8.00 pm to discuss matters relating to the Fair. As usual one of the main issues was parking. Although SPC had confirmed that the Peaslake Farm Fields could be used for Fair parking, this would not be permitted if conditions were wet. An alternative was Walking Bottom, but this was now full of cyclists every Saturday. A potential solution would be for the cyclists to be re-directed to the Recreation Ground and Walking Bottom kept closed until just before the Fair opened. The Recreation Ground Committee would need to be consulted on this. Action: Jim Collin to speak to Dave Colebrook

**The Queen’s Platinum Jubilee Celebrations**

Celebrations will run from 2nd-5th June with the nationwide Street Party Day being on Sunday 5th June. Peaslake has decided to have their party in the afternoon and Christine Harrison, who’s been involved in previous Jubilee celebrations in the village, has kindly offered to organise this. There will be an opening ceremony mid-afternoon with tea at 4.00pm, plus something for the children, music and fancy dress. Road closures have already been applied for and a large cake has been ordered. It is anticipated that the village would be decorated for the weekend and new bunting acquired. There were numerous suggestions for events that could take place, such as a cake competition, a quiz, an exhibition etc. It was generally agreed that the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee flag should be used rather than the Union Jack wherever possible.

**The Queen’s Green Canopy**

On Friday 4th March a tree was planted on the high ground just behind St Mark’s Church, next to the bend in the road to the Cemetery. The site is light and the soil suitable for a sapling. After much discussion, a copper beech was selected. The planting was carried out by Julie Barham, with assistance from other members of the Peaslake Community Council. A protective fence will be erected around the sapling and a plaque attached. A watering rota has been agreed for the next eight months to ensure that the site does not dry out.

**Shere Parish Council**

Gerri Reffo sent her apologies as she was not able to attend the meeting, but submitted an update on SPC matters. This is shown in the Table below:

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| **Issue** | **Status** |
| Put a protective grille over the entrance to drain on Walking Bottom | Reported. Action outstanding |
| Prevent access to behind Bus Shelter in the Village centre | Completed. Hazel wattle fencing erected |
| New “Welcome to Peaslake” sign for Walking Bottom | Action outstanding |
| Radnor Road clearance of cutaways (?) |  |
| Damage to tarmac around manhole cover in village centre | Completed. Reported to Highways. No action as low priority. |
| Undergrowth blocking access to drain on Walking Bottom. | Completed. Undergrowth cut back. |
| Clarify responsibility for Lenten Close ditch | Completed. Surrey CC accepted responsibility |
| Removal of silt traps in Memorial Hall and Hurtwood Inn carparks | Outstanding |
| Clarify responsibility for maintenance of water drainage system for Walking Bottom | Outstanding |
| Peaslake Farm Housing Development – Traffic Management Plan meeting with developer | SPC in process of agreeing date for a site meeting |
| Peaslake Farm Fields – Surrey Wildlife Trust plans and the lease | Presentation on 7th April at Peaslake Village Hall |
| Purchase a fence to protect Jubilee Tree | On General Purposes Agenda for 28th April |
| Move defibrillator located at Hurtwood Inn | Scheduled to be done in April |
| Erect new pole to house Vehicle Advisory signal on Purser Lane | Signal is working. Surrey CC Road Safety team will fund pole in April. |

**Any Other Business**

**Peaslake Farm Fields**

Surrey Wildlife Trust has been invited to be the guest speaker at Shere Parish Council’s Annual Parish Meeting which will be held in the Memorial Hall on Thursday 7th April at 8.00pm *(see March Parish Mag, p65)*. Residents will be able to hear SWT’s plans for the fields and how it will be financed.

**Damage to St Mark’s Grass**

It was observed that cyclists were still damaging St Mark’s grassy bank. Martyn Warrell had previously suggested moving the “No Cycling” signs where hopefully they would prove more of an obstacle to the cyclists. Jim Collin said he would speak to Martyn about it.

**Friends of the Hurtwood AGM**

After initially thinking that the FotH Annual Meeting would clash with the SPC Parish Meeting, it was confirmed that the Friends meeting was going to be held on Tuesday 5th April, 7.30pm, at the Duke of Kent School, Ewhurst.

The Meeting closed at 9.05pm.

**Date of Next Meeting: Monday, 4th April**

RNB/JC/JB