

CAWRA Meeting Minutes

Meeting: CAWRA	Chair: Rob Butler
Date: Wednesday 24 th January 2018	Minutes by: Sue Clark
Members see separate list	
Others in attendance: Jane James, Roy Brame, John Newton	
Apologies: Police Representative, Maggie Baldwin, and Tom Duchesne	

Item	Minutes/Action	Action by whom	Action by when
1	<p>Minutes of the previous meeting were read and agreed</p> <p>Actions from the previous meeting</p> <p>All actions would be picked up in the reports</p>		
2	<p>Chairman's Report – Rob Butler – see attached report</p> <p>Actions from the report</p> <p>A member asked the following question: Speed bumps – could they be extended so that drivers have to slow down rather than straddling them? Rob to ask at the next STAG meeting</p>	RB	February 28
3	<p>Secretary's Report - Andy Temple</p> <p>3.1 Website and Facebook working well and no issues to report</p>		
4.	<p>Treasurer's Report</p> <p>4.1 No activity this month</p>		
5.	<p>Councillor reports</p> <p>5.1 Roy Brame – Thetford Governance Review of boundary between Croxton and Thetford. This is in response to the planned housing development. Thetford will be responsible for improvements to and increase in the infrastructure due to the planned houses. However, the parish of Croxton will receive the increase in revenue. Breckland have put this put for public consultation. If the public don't express a desire for change then it will not change. Croxton residents are likely to make their views known so Thetford residents need to be proactive. The response can be as individuals as well as one from our association.</p> <p>Actions - The link will be on the CAWRA Facebook page after this meeting. The committee will write a group response.</p> <p>Speeding – Thetford Town Council are buying a SAM2 so this will no longer be coming out of Roy's budget. He proposes that the money is now made available for signage for no parking/selling cars on green areas on CAWRA land.</p> <p>April – CAWRA to consider grants become available again.</p>	Committee	February 28

5.2	<p>John Newton Anti Social behaviour in town – police have asked for more resources and more agencies to be involved. Litter has improved in the town centre.</p>		
5.3	<p>Jane James Police very visible in town on previous Friday. Wilco lights in the car park now working Jane shared the following dates and encouraged our members to support. 9th February 2018 – Charity quiz night 23rd February 201 – Thetford Folk Club 23rd March – Thetford Folk Club 22nd April – Soapbox Derby 26th May – Secret Garden Party 27th May – Spring into Summer Market</p>		
6	Current issues		
6.1	<p>CAWRA partners We will allow to advertise for 2 weeks only on Facebook</p>		
7	Litter Pick		
7.1	<p>Next litter picks are 16th and 17th February – litter pickers required The picks are very well supported and the response from the community has been excellent. People seem to be responding to the clear areas by not dropping litter, and other people seem to be picking up litter in between the picks.</p>	RB	February 28
7.2	<p>Tesco is still a major area of concern and is the worst area on the estate. Tesco's response to the overflowing bin was to remove it! Rob will raise this with the manager. We have applied for a litter trolley and litter pick hoop through a Breckland DC grant.</p>		
8	AOB		
8.1	Thetford town centre – survey on car parks and open spaces. Please respond	Committee	February 28
8.2	Family Fun Day could be funded through a variety of grants.		
8.3	John Newton asked the group to consider incorporating the town centre into CAWRA		
8.4	Committee agreed they would discuss this at the next committee meeting on 12 th of February and report the committee's decision back to the next general meeting.		
9	Date of next general meeting:		
	28th February 2018 at 8pm		

24.01.2018 – Chairman's Report

(* further information given at meeting)

- Since CAWRA's inception in March 2017 we have had noticeable successes in dealings with Breckland DC, Thetford TC and also the commencement and welcome achievements of our litter pick team.
- TRAG, Thetford Residents Action Group will hold 'Chairs' Association Meeting tri-monthly. TRAG will launch in Spring 2018. Does not replace individual RA's but enhances and strengthens all of our positions. RB has also been asked to represent TRAG on the STAG (safter Thetford Action Group) committee and RB also attending both closed and open meetings. This can greatly assist CAWRA. Others welcome to join TRAG (but no agencies or councillors etc).
- CAWRA flyer is now available in English, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Russian and Lithuanian – will soon have Latvian and Czech. Publication of Bloomberg article by Stephanie Baker.
- Community Garden project for waste ground outside of Community Centre and Church. Councillor John Newton has spoken to Breckland DC about lease of land.
- Letter for proposed Community Garden project support partners was forwarded to Tom Duchesne to obtain support e.g, Thetford Garden Centre / fencing company etc. RB to ask Tom D if he could provide some plans after general meeting discussions. (Update by Tom?)
- Family Fun Day project in 2018 – need to start organising now – support from Tesco, Warburtons etc. Put on agenda for discussion at general meeting. (Update by the ladies?)
- New 'dog poop' notice. Hopefully these will be posted in Spring during time of litter picks.
- Community Speedwatch – Issue raised with Insp. Jo Walmsley and Amy Lucas at various meetings. Speed strips being laid to survey situation on Cloverfields. National enquiry regarding situation of 20mph advisory limits for possible enforcement.
- Spreadsheet of 'Cars for Sale' continues. 'Cars-4-Sale' vehicle removed after pressure – moved onto Norwich Road Estate (Churchill Road). CAWRA advised NRERA of our situation with it and they were to take further action. Confirmed - it is illegal to drive onto pavements. Please report cars for sale details to Rob so we can put onto ongoing spreadsheet. Location/car make/reg / phone number. etc. Looking for 'patterns' to identify businesses. Needs 'nipping in the bud' otherwise this practice will increase. Have not had any further reports of car sales on the green during this last month.
- Litter Pick – new information after co-ordinators report regarding additional equipment required and possible grant from Breckland DC.
- New for 2018 – Breckland Community Lottery. CAWRA can earn revenue (50% of ticket value) for promoting and selling via our Facebook page (and website?).
- 'Feral' juvenile gang behaviour in the CAWRA area. Urged to contact us and Police immediately if anything occurs. PSPO now active in the Town but does not affect our area so mis-behaviour may spread to us. If can't get through on 101 send an email and save details of when call made and how long waiting etc for our future 'ammunition'. Also you can call 01953 424455 which is direct line to Wymondham Police Headquarters.