Minutes of the 385th meeting of Trafalgar Neighbourhood Council Held on 8th May 2017 at 7.30pm at Trafalgar Infants School, Horsham

Present Mr Moore – Chairman, Mr Davis, Mrs Harris, Mrs Thomas,

Mr Dufton, Mrs Little, Mr Boffey, Councillor Dennis and Mrs

McMillan – Clerk.

1/385/17 **Apologies for absence** – There were no apologies.

2/385/17 **Minutes of the last meeting** - Minutes of the last meeting held

on the 3rd April 2017 having been previously circulated were approved. Proposed Mr Davis and seconded by Mrs Harris.

3/385/17 Matters arising

Redford Avenue

Mr Dufton has a meeting arranged to discuss the site with a contractor and will hopefully have plans/quote for the next meeting.

BLUEPRINT/Neighbourhood Plan

There has been some progress. The committee decided not to put forward any land for housing and decided to go with the Councils plan. There will be a meeting at the beginning of June for the green space committee. North Horsham Parish Council are going to produce a neighbourhood plan.

Coaches in Farm Avenue

No update available.

Town Centre Vision

HDC employed a consultant who held a meeting with individuals to hear what they had to say. People need to focus on what attracts people to Horsham – what is the pull? Mr Boffey suggested we develop things that are already here, for example we have lots of wineries so make that a feature and run tours, this could include other attractions

Irwin Drive – overgrown hedges

Mrs Thomas says that this issue has got worse. New owners moved in at the weekend. Councillor Dennis will provide an update at the next meeting.

Operation Watershed

We are just waiting for confirmation of when we can access it.

HTCP

They would like to do the next section of the riverside walk from Rookwood to the Millennium Bridge. They are looking for 106 monies – we don't think they should have it from us as we have other plans that will require funding.

Cycling Forum

The double storey bike racks are to be removed from Medwin Walk and the library.

Bandstand

This is still being used to display advertising hoarding for the market. Mr Moore has a meeting later in the month and will raise the issue again as HDC do not appear to be stopping the advertising.

HALC

It was very interesting and attendees were made aware of what services are available.

Electoral Review

Mr Moore did write and say that we thought 48 Councillors is wrong for our area.

4/385/17 **Questions from the public**

There were no questions from the public.

5/385/17 Correspondence

There were no items of correspondence to discuss.

6/385/17 **Planning**

The Clerk outlined planning applications received since the last meeting.

7/385/17 Treasurers report

We had a balance of £7,639.07. We have not had a notification from HDC of how much grant we are being paid. We only know from what has gone into our account. Mr Moore will follow up as to why there has been no notification or a rise in the amount of grant awarded. We will pay rent on the school hall at the same rate as last year - £143.

8/385/17 **Highways**

There are some bumps in the road in Merryfield Drive near the Guildford Road end.

9/385/17 **Street furniture**

The cycle lane sign at the end of Merryfield Drive and Guildford Road has fallen over.

10/385/17 Reports from outside committees Community Youth Group

The move from Café Nero to the youth centre has proved popular.

11/385/17 **AOB**

HDC have been notified about the rat problem in Horsham Park, the rats are becoming immune to the bait.

Defibrillator

The casing is now up. The one at Warnham Nature reserve is now in situ. This was paid for by a couple who asked for donations instead of wedding presents. They also made a donation to St Catherine's Hospice and are putting the rest of the money towards another defibrillator in the phone box at the top end of Denne Road.

Horsham Society

They have been involved in a survey of twittens, and we have two in our area. Trafalgar Road to White Hart Court and out onto North Parade and the other alongside the Baptist Church. In order to get it classed as a public right of way, you need at least 25 years of uninterrupted use. This is hard to prove. We will include an item in our newsletter.

North Horsham Development

This has been referred by the planning subcommittee and will go to full Council.

12/385/17 Date and time of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Monday 5th June 2017 at Trafalgar Infant School, Victory Road.

The meeting closed at 9.13pm

Planning applications

DC/17/0360	Collingwood Batchellor – installation of 2 new external air conditioning units to replace existing
DC/17/0516	40 Churchill Avenue – single storey extension to the rear
DC/17/0698	3 Nelson Mews – proposed second floor window in side elevation
DC/17/0786	35 Cootes Avenue – front extension, porch and utility
DC/17/0786	Church Hall, Rushams Road – demolition of existing buildings and erection of 2 semi-detached houses with parking
DC/17/0828	49 Hillmead – loft conversion
DC/17/0855	7 Newlands Road – demolition of lean to garage to side, erection of 2 storey extension in its place and a single storey extension across the back of property