Minutes of the 411th meeting of Trafalgar Neighbourhood Council Held on 7th October 2019 at 7.30pm at Trafalgar Infants School, Horsham

Present Mr Bryant – Vice Chair, Mr Davis, Mrs Thomas, Mr Dufton,

Mrs McMillan – Clerk and Councillor Dennis.

1/411/19 **Apologies for absence** –apologies were received from Mr

Boffey and Councillor Crosbie.

2/411/19 **Minutes of the last meeting** - Minutes of the last meeting held on the 2nd September 2019 having been previously circulated

were approved. Proposed Mr Davis and seconded by Mrs

Thomas.

Item 3/410/19 Speed Device

There was some confusion over this item and Mr Davis has since apologised to Denne Neighbourhood Council.

Mr Davis said "I gave the impression that we were waiting for Denne to decide on training. Denne were never invited to any training session, so the sentence "We are waiting to hear if Denne wish to be involved" should be removed from the

minutes."

3/411/19 Matters arising

The Rec

Mr Davis has looked at the area and does not think that it is worth going ahead with this scheme as the Rec is very overgrown and maintenance is not sufficient. Members agreed to let it go for now and revisit in the future.

Blueprint

Mr Boffey provided the following update.

At the last meeting Alison Eardley gave an update on her review of the evidence for any gaps or further information required. HDC have been assisting in providing the necessary mapping data and work is ongoing to refine the list of green spaces to be included in the green spaces policy. We expect to have a draft Neighbourhood Plan shortly highlighting the gaps that need to be filled and any additional evidence required.

Youth meeting

Mr Boffey has requested Adam Calmers, Director of Community Services at HDC to obtain a progress report from 4 the Youth, including when they plan to re-start the regular meetings with stakeholders.

Horsham in Bloom

The Clerk provided Horsham in Bloom with the Trafalgar Cup to be given at the awards evening. Mr Boffey purchased a £20 gardening gift card to be given to the winner on the night.

Highways

The path from Caterways to the bus stop has been inspected and the defects will be rectified.

Highways are aware of the issues on the corner of Merryfield Drive and Fairview.

The overgrown hedges in the twitten from Albery Close to Kempshott Road are privately owned and the owners have been made aware.

Mr Boffey will email Councillor Burgess concerning the issue of reinstating litter bins on the access points to the Riverside walk. He will also highlight the need to review the process of emptying dog bins in Trafalgar.

4/411/19 **Questions from the public**

There were no questions from the public.

5/411/19 Correspondence

Councillor Crosbie has requested that the Smith & Western Development Application goes to Planning Committee North, and expects it to be presented in November.

6/411/19 **Planning**

The Clerk outlined planning applications received since the last meeting.

7/411/19 Treasurers report

We have a balance of £9,678.00.

We have paid £165 for the Horsham in Bloom planter and £257.60 for the annual insurance policy.

Cootes Pond

Mr Boffey has notified Cootes Pond Conservation Volunteers of our agreement to provide financial support, not exceeding £500 for one year only. He has received a very grateful acknowledgement and they advised that they have written to the contractor to make arrangements.

Mr Dufton has a quote for a star to be added to our Christmas lights at the Dog and Bacon, £500 plus VAT. All members present agreed to go ahead. Mr Dufton will liaise with the contractor.

8/411/19 **Highways**

Major refurbishment of the traffic lights at the underpass are under way. These should be finished by December and will start again in January, other sets of lights will follow.

9/411/19 Street furniture

There were no items to be reported.

10/410/19 Reports from outside committees

There were no new reports.

11/411/19 **Website**

Mr Boffey is still looking at the website.

12/411/19 **AOB**

HDC have conducted a review of their response to the Traveller incursions this summer. Their view is that they did everything in their power to respond as quickly and appropriately as possible. Defences have now been put in place to locations where this is possible but there is little more that can be done at sites such as Horsham Park, Blackbridge Lane and Cootes Green. They have not established how the Travellers gained access to Horsham Park as the gate was locked, so assume this was forced entry. They do intend to work with other local authorities in the area to improve intelligence gathering and sharing in future so that their response can be as efficient and effective as possible.

The Planning Department are planning on going paperless and in the future will not be sending out any plans. When this happens the Clerk will email the weekly planning list to Mr Boffey, Mr Davis and Mr Bryant.

13/411/19 Date and time of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Monday 4th November 2019 at Trafalgar Infant School, Victory Road.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm

Planning

| DC/19/1768 | 3 Orion Court – Bi-fold doors in flat |
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| DC/19/1798 | 22 Vale Drive – single storey extension |
| DC/19/1859 | 3 The Ridgeway – single storey rear extension |
| DC/19/1865 | 38 Hillmead – single storey front and double storey rear extension |
| DC/19/1907 | 10 The Ridgeway – single storey rear extension |