

MEETING AT 6PM, THE EXMOUTH, MONDAY 31ST OCTOBER, 2022.

1. APOLOGIES

Vikki Willetts (VW), Rob Willetts, Jenny Marrison, Lucy Dodsworth, Virginia Pawlyn (VP), Marion Bloxsome, John Hepworth. Rob Coltman (RC).

2. PRESENT

Chair: Derek Scarborough (DS), Treasurer: Richard James (RJ), Membership: Karen Scarborough (KS), Lizzie Symes (LS), Martin Mordecai (MM), Jill Douglas (JD), Heather Cole (HC), Sue Key (SK), Elise Forbes (EF), Lucy & Graeme Adams (LA & GA).

3. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES;

Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted.

4. FINANCES

Balance at last meeting: £3372.32

Income since last meeting (£)		Expenditure since last meeting (£)	
Membership paid by	17	History Event	648.24
Standing Orders			
Donations & Cash	93.67	Plants for Sue Ryder & The Triangle	105.53
Membership			
		Christmas Street Party donation.	53.53
Totals	110.67	Totals	807.40

Current Balance: £2674.69 (£98 to be deducted).

Future Expenditure: Twinning monies and Triangle repair costs (see below).

5. TWINNING THE TRIANGLE

NARA has donated £60 to twin The Triangle with an organisation in Kenya that teaches local people to grow their own food. A plaque and details have been received and posted on the notice board. Derek handed over the bill to Richard. We have received updates from the organisation which will be forwarded to Elise, who kindly offered to write an item for the newsletter.

RC to transfer monies to DS.

DS forward details to EF & copy to VP.

EF write article for newsletter.

6. EXMOUTH ARMS DEFIB

Jonathan Moffit has resigned as SPJARA treasurer since late August. However, he has agreed with the SPJARA committee that he will continue to act as "guardian" of the Exmouth defibrillator, which involves checking it weekly. The defibrillator was last used about 2 weeks ago.

Tina Peacey has arranged a training session with the new SWAST representative, Dominique Hobb on Tuesday, 21st February at 7pm, Leckhampton Village Hall. Invitations to attend the session will be emailed to members, included in the Autumn Newsletter and open to anyone local. The Hall can support around 40 people.

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7. ADVENT WINDOWS

After a debate about energy consumption and conservation, it was agreed that the benefits of Advent Windows outweighed the small drain on the National Grid. In any event the ultimate decision lies with the participants who can make their own choice of display timings. KS has approached a resident in Ewlyn Road with a view to delegating organisation of windows (in Ewlyn Road). SK and RJ volunteered to organise the Exmouth street windows, and LA volunteered to help with the mapping of numbering.

KS liaise with LA, SK and RJ to organise Advent Windows.

8. CAROL SERVICE

DS has approached the Salvation Army Band for dates for the Carol Concert on The Triangle. An initial response indicates they may not be able to raise a band. In the event they are not be able to attend, the consensus was that we would be able to organise a concert from local resources.

DS to monitor

9. TRIANGLE

Maintenance: one sleeper has been replaced at a cost of: £38.00. Many thanks to Rob Coltman for his help. DS handed over bill to RJ.

RJ to transfer monies to DS.

As it was getting rather large the Red Hot Poker on the Triangle has been split and part donated to Sue Ryder and a piece left free for anyone to collect, (it went same day). EF said the large Salvia has also been identified for imminent pruning.

Having been tasked with producing signs for The Triangle, DS liaised with VW to produce a "subtle request to stop dogs soiling The Triangle". This has been posted on the noticeboard and repeated on a staked sign on the grass.

10. LITTER PICKING

Having graciously agreed to waive charges for this meeting The Exmouth has also agreed to host the Litter Picking team for bacon rolls and coffee at The Exmouth on Sunday 6th November at 11am, after the 10am litter pick.

DS to advertise this generous gesture on the notice board.

11. MEMBERSHIP

DS advised that he has sent out an email to lapsed members of NARA with latest planning news and invitation to re-join NARA.

12. A.O.B

Notice Board:-- A number of funeral announcements have been posted on the board:

The Queen......Inviting to people to reflect on The Triangle

Bob WebleyAnnouncing public not private funeral and time of passing The Corner Shop.

Post Meeting Note: Money has been passed to Co-op Manager for inclusion with the £400 collected in store.



RC has advised that the Corner Shop were holding £1400 of stamps that needed to be sold before 31st January due to imminent replacement by the new bar coded stamps.

DS to advertise availability of stamps at the Corner Shop on the notice board.

Collection Box

KS suggested and it was agreed that this be repurposed during November and December to invite donations for the purchase of Christmas Tree batteries.

DS produce sign

252 Bath Road

It was noted that Markey employees and contractors are not parking in The Norwood Car Park (as agreed with the Council), and are parking in Langdon Road. However this has not created any problems, possibly because transient parkers are avoiding the area.

MM noted that apartments in the building were being advertised circa £495,000. However they appear to be way behind the original completion date of Christmas 2022.

A local resident has noted that Markey are not following the agreed latest drawings and have installed a small low level window on the South Side instead of a full height window. Paul Baker, our local Councillor and Planning have been advised, and as recently as today, have stated that Planning Enforcement would be visiting the site this week (Week commencing 31st October).

DS to progress CBC enforcement at 252 Bath Road

Weed Control

LS reported that she had spoken to the GCC with regard to weed control in Naunton Crescent and been told that it is carried out twice a year. In general discussion the following points were made;

Weeding is carried out from quad bikes, drivers only spray areas that can be accessed, so many areas are missed. NARA consider a spring cleaning campaign at next meeting.

Christmas Cards

JD's offer to produce a Christmas Card was gratefully accepted. Following discussion it was agreed it would announce the Christmas Carol Concert details and subtly invite membership.

JD & LD produce Christmas cars

Sue Ryder

Having recently donated plants to Sue Ryder, LA enquired if NARA might contribute more in the future. The consensus was that if a suitably finite project was identified and costed, it would be looked upon favourably.

Following discussion it was agreed that the donation of plants should be publicised in the upcoming newsletter, facebook and the website.

LA and EF to provide words and photographs for publication.

Naunton Crescent Street Lighting

2 lights are still not working in Naunton Crescent and have been out since May.

May 22.....Street lighting failed around Naunton Crescent (coincident with pavements being lifted for fast fibre).

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July 22.....Fault logged with County Council.

Aug 22......Western Power (WP) advised 8 of 11 lights now working, however Columns 8 & 9 need new service.

Sept 22.....No progress.

Oct 22......Contacted PB who said WP (now owned by National Grid) could not give an update.

Nov 22.....No progress.

DS to chase Paul Baker /GCC.

Post Meeting Note; National Grid have confirmed today (2nd November) they are attending to the two columns in the next 10 days.

Other Items:

Newsletter

Here are the topics in the Autumn Newsletter, if you would like to include other material please let me know.

Summary of Christmas Events
Defib Training Date
Support of Sur Ryder
Twinning The Triangle
History Event
Litter Picks

Cheltenham Connect

Along with SPJARA and Tivoli Traders, DS attended a meeting organised by Cheltenham Connect on Monday 24th October to discuss how organisations in our area can best work together. The minutes of that meeting are attached for your information.

Next Meeting Monday 30th January at The Exmouth at 7.30pm.

Derek Scarborough



AGENDA – AGM, Monday 30th January at The Exmouth at 7.30pm.

- 1. Apologies
- 2. Previous Minutes
- 3. Chair's Report Derek Scarborough
- 4. Treasurer's Report Richard James
- 5. Membership Report Karen Scarborough
- 6. Election of Chair, Secretary, Treasurer & Membership Secretary
- 7. Planning Applications
- 8. Christmas Activities
- 9. The Triangle
- 10. Litter Picks
- 11. Defibrillator
- 12. History Event
- 13. 2023 Events?
- 14. Newsletter
- 15. A.O.B