

BRANKSOME PARK AND CANFORD CLIFFS

RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE JULY MONTHLY MEETING

HELD JULY 14, 2022

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming those present including our Ward Councillors, May Haines and Mohan Iyengar

Apologies were received from Jackie Heap, Hon. Treasurer of BPC CRA, Vicky Moss, special Projects BPC CRA, June and Colin Fleming, Mr. and Mrs. Derek Jones, Bernadette and Sean Macdonald Raggett.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD JUNE 2022

These were accepted as a correct record.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

The three matters arising from the minutes are The Beach Road Car Park, The SPV and Rockwater. There will be dealt with under Any Other Business.

There were no other matters arising from the minutes.

PLANNING REPORT

The whole Planning Report is available on the website.

16 Lakeside Road

This property has already been given permission for an extension. There is now a new application to demolish to existing house (1700 square feet) and replace it with a much larger property (more than 5000 square feet). This is already on a split site. **DE** has put in an objection on behalf of BPC CRA.

9 Brudenell Road

This is a property of two flats opposite the Harbour Heights Hotel. There is now a new application to build nine flats, making the building one storey higher. This was refused by the Council and has now gone to appeal.

4 Burton Road

There was an application to build two more house on this site. This application was never dealt with by the Council. There has been an appeal because of this delay. At the same time there is another application, the same as the first. The appeal is now being dealt with and the second application has been refused.

Rockwater have also put in a planning application for decking on the beach at Branksome Chine. This was started, without planning permission some time ago and BCP requested Rockwater remove the decking which had been stored and fenced on the beach. This was eventually removed by Rockwater.

Cllr MI informed the meeting that BCP Planning Committee had decided today that they would uphold the refusal of permission for the Haven Hotel project because of the flood risk. **Cllr MH** suspects that the hotel group will formulate a further application.

Chris Stracey asked if any further developments had been made about the proposal for Salterns Marina. **Cllr MH** replied that they have now got a backer and they will commence building at the end of this year or early next year.

Mr. Harrison asked about the situation of 172 Canford Cliffs Road. No decision has been reached yet.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Chairman assured the meeting that although there was no Treasurers' Report as the Treasurer has family problems at the moment, the Association still remains solvent, having around £40,000 in the account. **MP** reported that one of the blocks of flats that he chased up for payment of annual subscriptions, declined to be members any longer.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Beach Road Car Park

Despite what BCP previously said, this car park is now back on the agenda for development. **Cllr.MH** said that she had queried this, and had been told that there would be new plans put forward in the autumn.

SPV

JS is still not getting any answers to his questions about this. BCP's report is delayed yet again, and the longer it goes on, the less time we shall have to scrutinise and discuss it. **Cllr MH** says it is supposed to come before the committee in July.

Subsequent to the meeting, the following information was received:

The Special Corporate and Community Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting on 20 July 2022 convened to review this matter had to be brought to an early close as Cllrs Drew Mellor and Philip Broadhead had decided to withhold their report, as seemingly a change in the method of raising the £50m was being proposed. The

next meeting has been fixed Friday 02 September 2022 and the Agenda & supporting papers should be posted on the BCP website on 25 August 2022. Some doubt has been expressed about this latest date as the Government does not return from its recess until 05 September 2022.

Rockwater

The good news is that the decking which was being stored on the beach and the fencing around it have now gone. The kiosks remain, though work on them has ceased. The kiosks are a great bone of contention amongst the residents living nearby, though Luke Davies, the owner of Rockwater, claims that the residents of Hove, where he has carried out a similar development are now very pleased. This is at odds to what we hear from the residents here. **Cllr MH** said that she had seen a photograph of a letter from the Chairman of the local Residents' Assn. in Hove, saying that their initial concerns were unfounded.

There then followed a lot of discussion. **Cllr MH** said that two of the 'Shacks' are due to open soon, one serving alcohol between 11am and 10pm, and the other will serve pizzas.

In answer to a query about the main restaurant, **Cllr MH** said that the planning is still on-going. Still ongoing also is the planning for the advertising boarding for the 'shacks' and the decking on the beach. Rockwater have been told by BCP that they may only be allowed one area of decking on the beach and not the two which Rockwater wanted.

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Magazine

JG (Magazine Editor) asked those present if the balance between advertisements and articles was correct. As there were no comments he assumed it was. He also said that the deadline for articles to be submitted is September 16, 2022.

Planning

Nothing is yet happening with the Spencer Road Application; this may take some time.

The Chairman then closed the meeting and invited everyone for drinks and nibbles in the little garden at the rear of the hall.

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION WILL BE SEPTEMBER 14, 2022.