



Turnchapel Residents' Association

Minutes of the Turnchapel Residents' Association Annual General Meeting held 29th March, 2023, at 7.30pm at the Boringdon Arms and online via Zoom

1) Chair's welcome and report

Harriet thanked Richard and Pete for the great fundraising music quiz in the Boringdon Arms, the next one is planned! Thanks also to those helping to organise a Christmas tree knitting activity.

We had another Turnchapel village clean on 26th March, thanks to all those who took part and to Claire for organising. It's great to have the village looking lovely for the Spring! Thanks again for the creative and regularly updated post box toppers and village decorations, they are much loved by residents and people passing through - you know who you are and are very much appreciated!

2) Treasurer's report

Started April 2022 with £2,200 in our account and now have £3,062.

Plans to spend money on this year: The square, Christmas tree structure, coronation plans (possible match any funding in from TRA bank account?) Agreed to cover cost of new gazebo cover for the square.

£267 from quiz and 100 donation. 16 paid memberships so far for this year; 3 people have paid for kayak rack.

c. £80 paid out for planter and poo bags.

Expecting £100 from PCC – thank you Kathy Watkin for organising.

Claimed £250 from POP.

3) Election of committee

Harriet announced the need to elect or re-elect the following roles – Chair, Treasurer, Secretary. Plus anyone interested in joining the committee is warmly invited.

There were no nominees for new roles so the current Chair (Harriet), Treasurer (Luc) and Secretary (Claire) were voted to continue in post.

Cathy nominated Taylor and Jake to join the committee to represent the young people in the village. Seconded by Jago.

4) Membership

Harriet mentioned how to join the Residents' Association (suggested £5 annual donation Jan-Dec). Invite to add contact details to the mailing list so get copies of meeting minutes, reminders of upcoming minutes etc.

5) Item 1 Conservation area appraisal

We have been trying to get this done for some time. 1976 Turnchapel was designated a conservation area, we are 1 of 4 out of 15 not had an appraisal. Sarah has repeatedly tried to contact PCC to follow up but no response. Possibility of drafting a copy and take it to them?

6) Item 2 SWCP – Path closure

Lorna Sheriff from SWCP was at the last meeting. The TRA is doing a letter to her to represent our views. Discussion over who is responsible for payment of cost to upkeep – not clear. Paul been emailing PPC contact (Robin Pearce), emails being not replied to / passed round.

Suggestion made that all the parties involved collaborate – PCC; SWCP; the Bridge etc. (we think PCC is doing this)

Harriet – Action to check with the Bridge what their situation is.

7) Item 3 Electric bike hub

Likely to be in phase 2. Kathy Watkin outlined that hubs should be going in to Mountbatten Plymstock Broadway and Oreston in May or June, this year, A hub in Hooe Green may follow later. Turnchapel was not an option, in Phase 1, but was suggested by the planning officer for a later phase if there is funding and a suitable site could be found. Taking off the agenda for now.

8) Item 4 Kayak rack

Harriet gave explanation of the rack and usage. Thanks to everyone who filled out a form, we have updated our list of owners registered to use the rack and are sourcing stickers.

9) Item 5 South West Water

Rob B has been doing ongoing work on our website and communication with SWW, thank you. There has been no more than a dozen reports over the last 3 months. He will post an update on Turnchapel.org/pong

Seem to be more SWW vans out fixing. However there are some houses still in the village with public health issues. Discussion on whether to escalate this in the media?

10) Item 5 Events

Easter

TRA agreed to put £100 to activities. If people can organise OK, if not otherwise leave it! Sub-committee Ruth, Cathy, Philippa and Taylor.

5 May – possible launch of Turnchapel Sailing club with BBQ etc.

Coronation weekend of 6/7/8 May:

Rev Hannah Freedland, Baptist Minister in Hooe has applied to have Hooe Green Monday 8 May 12pm onwards. Suggestion to join in with picnic on green, garden games. If they can let us know if going ahead, we will publicise.

Saturday pm/evening - We don't have funding for food etc. so would be bringing our own food.

Quiz – Sunday 21 May 7pm (not 14). Please donate raffle prizes.

Mini-Festival Friday 21 and Saturday 22 July or just 22?

Russ's band 21-28 July?

Acapella group 10 / 24 June? Harriet confirming if they can do July.

11) Item 5 Future Project planning

Eg Street signs, coronation plaque, top garden, conservation appraisal

- Top garden – the TRA has made a request to PCC for a management agreement. Meeting booked for 14/4/23 11.00-12 Claire, Ruth, Jago, Kathy (CL to email), invite Rob D
- BBQ – Replacing using funding.

- Square – add a trellis to hide the poo bin and trail a jasmine plant (a living wall/green fence). Some of the slate flagstones will need evening up. Matt & Paul volunteered to do this work. Possible table top over top where had the Christmas tree.
- Unanimous vote to add budget spend for upkeep of the square.

Luc – outlined idea of having #turnchapel 2030 – importance of having ideas / plans ready so that we can take advantage of funding if/when becomes available. Suggested an Ideas workshops on Saturday pm so we can get ideas together / budgets planned etc.

Sarah suggested Neighbourhood plan – see <https://www.plymouth.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plans#:~:text=A%20Neighbourhood%20Plan%20is%20written,it%20is%20seeking%20to%20address>.

12) Any other business

Defib training – date tbc. Rev Hannah Freedland offered us to join Hooe training.
History club meeting 27th April 7.30pm in the Boringdon Arm – Joe Radmore
Book club – going strong

13) Details of next meeting

Thursday 29th June