

HRA

Meeting	HRA Committee Meeting
Date	12 September 2024
Time	19.00
Venue	GLRFC
Attend.	Grant Bowden – Chair DiBs Bucknell – Treasurer Ian Pickup – Hon Secretary Chris Royce – Safety and Welfare - Apologies Matt Selwyn - Waterways and Open Spaces - Apologies Kate Subryan – Entertainment - Apologies Wayne Subryan – Environment Kiran Emery – Internet/Portal - Apologies Sue Steggles-Cole – Investments & Internet Jen Caple – Investments Mickey Thomas –Tech support – Apologies

1	Minutes of previous meeting: 12 July 2024 Grant proposed acceptance, Jen seconded. Approved. Kiran will publish them on the portal.
2	Declaration Grant declared an interest wrt Permali as his son has a job interview with them soon. Additionally, as a member of the GLRFC the 5g mast application is a mutual interest.
3	Opening Remarks The Chair welcomed all to the meeting and thanked them for their attendance. He emphasised that he wanted members of the committee to be something people enjoyed doing and they should never feel under pressure when actions are against them. Since the last meeting Jasmine has resigned as she is starting a full-time course in September and Kate has resigned as her workload at the school is all consuming. Mickey has not attended a meeting for a year now and whilst Grant wanted him to stay on the committee, he has agreed he should stand down. All this leads to vacancies and Grant asked if anyone knew of anyone who would like to join. He noted that Kate will be a hard act to follow, and she will be missed by the committee for her contributions.
4	Treasurer's Report The balance stands at £427.04 of which £20.00 is held in cash and the rest is on the HRA Lloyds Bank account. £100 is set aside for a social event. Grant has applied for 'Build Back Better' grant from Gloucestershire County Council via Pam Tracey. The grant has been approved by Gloucester City Council, but not yet paid. Pam has advised that the HRA can reapply for the grant and that since the last local elections there have been people /process changes in the council which may have delayed payment. Action Grant to chase payment - GAF completed and returned. On a related issue Grant advised that there is further pot of money available to local organisations to enable projects which improve local lives. Action Ian to advise Village Hall committee about this. Sue has offered to help with any form filling required and Sally Critchley has been informed by Grant. – 13/09/24
5	SPoC Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Waterways and Open Spaces: Matt will reengage with the CRT about the safety of the canal banks. There is still no obvious way to get out of the water around the dock or other walled areas of the canal. Grant had heard from Pam that there is going to be a fence around the edge of Monk Meadow dock and along the quayside near the houses. It is not at all clear the extent of this fence and who is putting it up since the canal side is owned by the CRT and not the council. Action: Matt will enquire. b) Investments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Jen reported her dog poo bin survey was completed at the meeting in July. Since then, she posted on the HVNB FB asking members where bins should be placed. There was a very good response, and Jen has spoken to Pam Tracey about this.

	<p>Jen now has a council contact dealing with bins which in future will be all purpose. She advised that any black bin can be used for dog poo.</p> <p>ii) Jen is going to contact council about erroneous bus stop signs indicating a bus returning to Hempsted Lane from the city.</p> <p>iii) Volunteers: Sue reported she has identified six organisations locally needing volunteers. She has asked for others on the HVNB FB.</p> <p>iv) Broadband: Sue will push for update from City Fibre and Open Reach.</p> <p>c) Environment: Wayne that he has not had time to make progress on this. He has reached out to Jag who lives in Sandalwood Green. – he showed some interest.</p> <p>d) Highways: Dibs has tried to get clarity from Highways wrt the road closures on and around the sausage roundabout/ Hempsted Lane which are scheduled to be from 16 September to 2 October to allow for resurfacing works. They are weekday evening only from 8pm to 7am. As soon as the roadworks are complete St Ann’s bridge will be closed for 3 weeks for resurfacing. The closure is planned to be all day. The footpaths and towpath will remain open.</p> <p>e) Entertainment:</p> <p>i) Planning for the Oktoberfest has started a flyer is about to go out to the HVNB FB page (done 15/09/24). A Working Group is required to develop the plans.</p> <p>ii) Carols on the quays: Kate has agreed the 13 December with Suzanne Sexton and the salvation Army Band has been booked. Kate will talk to Suzanne about next steps. HRA may be able to fund refreshments. Action Sue to ask Huw if he is willing to setup & Dibs investigated if Chris the Coffee man could assist. Post meeting note – sadly, Chris can’t as he will be abroad.</p> <p>f) Legislation and Planning: Grant advised there is planning application for a 5g mast at the GLRFC no further details known yet. The consultation period on this has closed but the GLRFC have now decided not to support the plans (reflecting local opinion). We agreed that this was not a matter for HRA involvement. The same position was agreed on the request from a member to support the reinstatement of two permissive paths which had been closed off earlier this year. Action Ian to write to member advising this position on footpaths. There has been a proposal to significantly enhance the current car boot site on Hempsted meadow. No planning application has been made: HRA does not have a position on the matter. Action Dibs to provide draft for Chair to write to a member advising this. Post meeting note, complete.</p> <p>g) Portal: Kiran had to give up work on developing a different approach to the portal as he could no longer fund his server. There still needs to be a review of the portal content to ensure currency. Action Execs to plan a review with Kiran.</p> <p>h) Safety and Welfare: Chris is on holiday but advised Ian that he will investigate to the set-up of a working party on speeding. A recent survey by Suzanne Sexton both in and outside the school run times had indication speeding on Hempsted Lane is not a problem.</p>
6	<p>AOB None to report</p>
7	<p>Parish Magazine articles The November edition will be a summary of events to date. The December issue will be about the carol service and request for volunteers. and details to follow. Grant will provide annual summary for the end of the year.</p>
8	<p>Date of Next Meeting 10 October 2024 1900hrs at GLRFC</p>