NOTES OF MEETING OF TVT FORUM,

Tuesday, 23rd February in the Community Centre

Apologies were received from Connie Hockley, Phil Burner and Dan Hayes

Ann explained that from the questionnaire responses it seemed that many people did not know what was going on within the village - a very important issue that needs addressing. To highlight this Ann gave details of the following:

Country park, footbridge, demolition of public toilets, church heritage and Ann’s meeting with Suella Fernandes our MP.

Ann then explained the history of the TVT Neighbourhood Plan (NP).

An article was published in the Parish Magazine after which, a working group was formed. The group was then alerted to the idea of producing a Neighbourhood Plan. To do this required the formation of the forum consisting of at least 21 people from a broad cross section of the community who must meet at least 4 times a year. The survey was done to provide information to the forum so that they could decide whether to go forward with the Neighbourhood Plan and if so which aspects would be dealt with in the plan.

Peter Swan, a visitor, asked whether this was separate from TVT and why wasn’t TVT running it. Ann explained that the forum was part of TVT but would be run separately. TVT would, of course, be involved.

Peter Wheal then made a presentation on the results from the survey which was followed by questions and answers. Andy Hoare, an architect and planner, and forum member also contributed at this session.

Andy Hoare then made a presentation about Neighbourhood Plans – what we have to do and how we do it. He also showed some slides of possibilities for change.

Carol Grant, Community Development Manager for 1Community explained her role and discussed some possibilities for grants as well as the help she may be able to give to the forum.
The Way Forward – discussion/suggestions followed:

- Compare the outcome of our survey with that of the Bonfire boys’ survey currently being completed
- The boundary for the Neighbourhood Plan need to be agreed – more work needed here
- The travellers’ caravan park was mentioned as well as the heritage issues such as Tythe barn, the Abbey and Stoney Bridge. The Haven was suggested for inclusion but Andy pointed out that this was already a protected site
- Andy explained that although we will be working in partnership with FBC we cannot pull against the FBC core strategy
- Funding is available for us to hire professional consultants who will be independent of FBC so will ‘bring fresh eyes’ to the problems
- It was ratified that forum members would not be required to be members of TVT – TVT had already agreed this at their last committee meeting
- There is a locality website which should give examples of other NPs.

- Carol thought that the forum needed to be together for at least 2 years prior to submission of the Plan – Petersfield’s final approval had taken 3 years.
- Once a plan has been submitted FBC must carry out, and fund, a referendum of all residents of Titchfield before implementation.

The next steps are:

Andy and Ann will meet with the planners – Andy Collier

FBC should be informed of our wish to develop a Neighbourhood Plan so this can be ratified

We need volunteers PLEASE to act as:

- Chair – I would be happy to continue in this role or to step down if someone else would like the job.
- Vice chair
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Marketing
- Managing grants and grant applications

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