

BAR HILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 1st DECEMBER 2015

	Present	Hilary Whipp(HW), Anil Pallan(AP), Roger Hall (RH), Paul Goodfield(PG), Bunty Waters(BW), Jo Hall(JH), Chris Eden, Mark Levitt, Jen Levitt, Melanie Eden, Becky Palmer, Ian Palmer, Christine Lewis, Derek Cook, Rita Cook, Asha Saroy (Bellenden), Matt Rowe (CgMs), Francesca Leverkus (Topland) and Antony Iannaccone (Topland)	Action
1.	Apologies	Jan Cundy(JC), Martin Avery (MA), Mike Nelson(MN)	
2.	Minutes of the last meeting	Minutes of meeting on 3rd November were agreed by the committee.	
3.	Topland proposal at the Hallmark Hotel	<p>RH thanked the Topland team for coming and speaking to the committee and residents at the RA meeting.</p> <p>The Topland team circulated the updated plans for the consideration of the RA committee and the residents present at the RA meeting. There were improvements/changes from the plan that was shown on the public consultation day on 10th Nov.</p> <p>The public consultation was attended by 310 individuals and have received 101 feedback forms till date and is still receiving the feedback forms by post.</p> <p>The issues raised by the residents were:-</p> <p>Concerns about the impact of traffic from the new development on the perimeter road and on the roundabout at the village entrance.</p> <p>Concerns regarding flooding since most of the proposed area was flooded in the heavy rains in August 2014.</p> <p>Future plans for Golf course.</p> <p>Concerns about how the A14 upgrade is going to affect the access to the new homes.</p> <p>Bar Hill is a purpose built village with the perimeter road enveloping the residential area, excluding the later developments of houses on The Fairway and the Thruffle way. The significant number of residential properties, compared to the other two streets outside the perimeter road poses a risk for the motorists/residents especially children who needs to cross the perimeter road to access the village amenities.</p> <p>The height of the block of flats compared to the height of existing houses.</p> <p>Concerns about air quality for the residential buildings being so close to the Highway.</p> <p>The Topland team are addressing the concerns of the residents before the submission of planning permission currently due in January 2016.</p> <p>To address the concerns about impact of traffic, Topland have included a transport consultant on board to help with the planning/designing of the entrance and car park to the residential development. According to the consultant, the expected traffic from new development at peak hours is 12 cars/hour. These calculations are from a national database based on a similar type of development across Cambridgeshire and this region.</p>	

		<p>Topland is aware about the A14 upgrade plans and will include that in their plan.</p> <p>Topland has not done the air quality test yet.</p> <p>Topland mentioned that no pedestrian crossing will be allowed to be built currently by the authority, until they can prove that enough people are crossing the village perimeter road to use the village amenities.</p> <p>The current plan is for 44 residential buildings including affordable homes. The planned development time is 12 months.</p>	
4.	Matters arising	None	
5.	Treasurer's Report	The current balance is £10373.41	
6.	Correspondence	None	
7.	Parish Council Report	<p>PC meeting minutes are published on the PC website.</p> <p>The willows has been advertised for sale. The PC is facing higher expenditure this year because of funding needed to pay for street lights to be kept on during early morning hours, legal fees related to the procedure for sale of Willows, maintenance needed for farm house etc.</p> <p>The new grass cutting contract will be starting soon. Since the finances of the PC are below the reserve, The Skate park project is on hold.</p> <p>It was reported that the roof of the library leaks when it rains heavily.</p>	
8.	Bar Hill News	Nothing to report	
9.	BHN Adverts	Nothing to report	
10 .	Printing Machine Replacement	Printing machine replacement is on hold. Item to stay in agenda.	
11 .	Bar Hill Website	MN not present to give an update.	
12 .	Neighbourhood Watch	Seasonal leaflet will be distributed in the village in December.	
13 .	Fête 2016	<p>The next fête meeting will be on 12th Jan 2016.</p> <p>RH has emailed Lord Lieutenant about the change of plan to celebrate the Bar Hill Golden Jubilee in 2017, instead of 2016. The request for the royal visit on Jubilee celebration will be kept on file.</p>	
14 .	Date for next meeting	<p>The date of the next meeting is 2nd February at 8pm at Parish council offices.</p> <p>The meeting closed at 9:05 pm.</p>	
15 .	Any other business	None	
16 .	Items for information	None.	