Flitch Way Action Group



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(Registered charity no 1172012)

MINUTES OF

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Via Zoom

Monday 21st February 2022

Present:

Stuart Withington Co-Chair (SW)

Sarah Hodgson Secretary (SH) Sandra Reynolds (SR) Valdis Belinis (VB)

Stephen Skinner (SK) until 7.06pm

Trudi Hughes, President (TH)

Apologies: Shaun Pledger Co-Chair (SP), Sandra Lloyd Treasurer (SL), Alexander Armstrong (AA), Louise Pepper (UDC), Alan Roscoe (ECC), James Sheehy (Town Clerk, Gt Dunmow), Julia Wilson (Chair, Essex Bridleways Association)

Absent: David Beedle (DB)

The meeting, chaired by SW opened at 6.35pm.

The minutes of the AGM on 24.02.21 were approved.

SW gave the chair's report reviewing progress made this year. Since UDC have just approved the Staggs Farm planning application, conditional on the construction of the bridleway from Buttleys Lane to the Brambles, SW will add this before the report is circulated. SH recalled the difficulties in securing this section of the route. It is a significant milestone in our project and we are grateful to UDC planning and ECC Highways for including it in the s106 Agreement.

SW urged everyone to comment online on the LCWIP (local cycling and walking infrastructure plan) for Uttlesford.

SW highlighted the importance of forging links with council officers (planning, highways,) and councillors. He expects to meet with the head of Essex Highways in March.

SR recommended sending a summary of SW's report to the Dunmow Broadcast and publication on our website with a link on FWAG's Facebook page.

SL's treasurer's report was reviewed and approved in her absence.

In accordance with the Constitution, the committee resigned and was reappointed. TH agreed to continue in her role as president.

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TH advised that Gordon Glenday is no longer head of planning. UDC has been put into special measures: planning applications for over 1hectare/10+houses will be decided by the planning inspector.

SR referred to the Moors Fields planning application for up to 160 dwellings near Flitch Green north of the Flitch Way. Essex Highways are speaking to the Country Park Rangers. [SR and SH have asked for a s106 contribution to the Chelmer Bridge.]

The meeting closed at 7.15 pm.