



**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the  
Friern Barnet & Whetstone Residents Association  
Thursday, 2 May 2019 at St John's Church Hall,  
Friern Barnet Road, N11 at 7.30pm**

**Present:** Kate Salinger (Chairman), David Thompson (Treasurer and Membership Secretary), Maria Jordan (Secretary), Yvonne Ruge, Richard Testar, Tim Smedley, Harry Gluck and 40 Members

**1. Apologies for Absence:**

Stan and Carole Greenberg, Margaret Haughton, Michael Aslangul, Marion and John Kilkenny, Rita Brown, Debbie Lane, Margaret and Christopher Wood and Christine Richardson

**2. Minutes** of the AGM held on 10 May 2018 were approved and signed.

**3. Treasurer's Report and Certified Statement of Accounts:**

David Thompson presented the Accounts to 31 December 2018 shown at the end of the Minutes. Subscriptions and donations of £2852 were broadly unchanged over 2017 as was total membership. However, expenditure more than doubled to £4308 due to two special projects - a new website and the planting of a shrubbery in Friary Park. The printing of the Newsletter continues to be the main item of regular expenditure. Donations included a contribution to Love Whetstone for the printing of an anti-litter flyer. As a result the 2018 shortfall amounted to £1445 compared with a surplus of £1083 in 2017. The Association continues to hold over £11000 in reserves.

Bernard Mayes, the Independent Examiner was thanked for his input into the presentation of the accounts and his general advice. He has agreed to continue in this role for 2019.

A tribute was paid to Mel Hooper who sadly passed away in April for his contribution over the years to FBWRA and the local community.

The Accounts were proposed for adoption, seconded by Michael Jordan and approved by the Members.

**4. Chairman's Report:**

Kate Salinger thanked Lizzie Grey for manning the kitchen again and Mick Crick for setting up the PA system. As the Mayoress for a good part of her last year as Chairman, she had had the opportunity and privilege to meet many unsung heroes and volunteers. She thanked the Committee for their contribution to the work of the Association over the year. Special thanks went to Ollie Natelson who had recently resigned for his contribution over the years on conservation, pollution and traffic matters.

During the year FBWRA had planted a shrub bed in Friary Park, held a second Summer Splash social for members, upgraded the website, reviewed and commented on many Planning Applications, held a Members evening on the London Traffic Plan, produced and delivered 4 Newsletters, supported the Pinkham Way Alliance in objecting to the proposed siting of the new waste digester facility, as well as supporting local members in the Horsham Avenue area with regard to poor consultation by the Council on Sustrans proposals for new traffic flows in that area. The result of the latter is further consultation with the Council in June.

**5. Election of Officers:**

With Kate Salinger standing down as Chairman, David Thompson was nominated and elected as Chairman and Tim Smedley was nominated and elected as Treasurer. Maria Jordan agreed to continue as Secretary.

**6. Election of Executive Committee:**

Yvonne Ruge, Harry Gluck, Richard Testar were elected for two years in 2018 and remain on the Executive Committee. Kate Salinger was elected to the Committee.

**7. Election of Independent Examiner:**

Bernard Mayes has agreed to take on this role for another year and was duly elected.

## **8. Questions and Answers:**

In the interests of time, this was held over to the end of the meeting.

## **9. Guest Speaker:**

Theresa Villiers, MP for Chipping Barnet spoke of her time in politics. She was elected as an MEP in 1999 and during her time at the European Parliament became intimately acquainted with the Fruits, Jellies and Chestnut Puree Directive managing to get the Jammy Dodger included in the resulting legislation. She was elected as MP for Chipping Barnet in 2005 and became Secretary of State for Northern Ireland in 2012.

She shared a number of her most memorable moments as Secretary of State for Northern Ireland such as attending the G8 Summit when it was held in Enniskillen, the Queen's Jubilee visit to Northern Ireland, going to Washington for the St Patrick's Day celebration and the gruelling cross party discussions in Northern Ireland.

Since becoming a back bencher again, she is particularly concerned locally about burglaries and knife crime, the need for the NHS to provide more doctors and GP services and protecting the local environment. She is particularly interested in local transport issues and took up the issue of the disastrous Great Northern Railway timetable change which badly affected her constituency and getting potholes repaired, getting money for Barnet for this purpose.

There were many questions regarding the reduction in local libraries, getting the infrastructure in place to support the high level of housing development in the Borough and whether residents associations such as FBWRA have any impact.

## **10. Chairman's Closing Remarks:**

David Thompson as the new Chairman thanked Kate Salinger for her stewardship of the Association over the past few years. He thanked Theresa Villiers for her amusing insights into life as an MEP and highlights as an MP.

Flowers were presented to them both.

Meeting ended at 9.45pm.

## Friern Barnet and Whetstone Residents' Association

Income and Expenditure Account for the year to 31 December 2018

		2018		2017	
INCOME	£	£	£	£	£
Subscriptions	1,645.00		1,700.00		
Donations	<u>1,207.50</u>	2,852.50	<u>1,213.00</u>		2,913.00
Interest		<u>10.10</u>			<u>1.75</u>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>2,862.60</b>			<b>2,914.75</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>					
Printing	390.00		1,090.00		
Banner	51.28		0.00		
Postage	87.84		0.00		
Stationery	5.50		0.00		
AGM	123.00		174.60		
2019 AGM Hall Hire	128.00		112.00		
Donations	185.00		45.00		
Subscriptions	90.00		90.00		
Liability Insurance	210.60		201.60		
Summer Splash	145.31		75.41		
Members' Meetings	142.00		30.78		
Website	1343.99		0.00		
Special project(s)- Tisbury Park shrubbery	<u>806.40</u>		<u>0.00</u>		
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>		<b>4,107.92</b>			<b>1,831.35</b>
<b>Total Surplus (Shortfall) of Income over Expenditure</b>		<b><u>(1,245.32)</u></b>			<b><u>1,083.40</u></b>

**Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2018**

	2018		2017	
	£	£	£	£
Balance at beginning of year	12,787.17		11,703.78	
<u>Add back</u> release of prior year Members' pre-payments	65.00			
	12,852.17			
<u>Less</u> 2018 Members' pre-payments	95.00			
	12,757.17			
Total Surplus (Shortfall) of Income over Expenditure	<u>(1,445.32)</u>		1,083.39	
<b>Balance at end of year</b>		<b><u>11,311.85</u></b>		<b><u>12,787.17</u></b>
REPRESENTED BY:				
CASH/UNPRESENTED CHEQUES	0.00		0.00	
NATWEST BUSINESS RESERVE A/C	11,067.14		11,656.94	
NATWEST CURRENT A/C	<u>244.01</u>		<u>1,254.01</u>	
<b>TOTAL CASH BALANCES</b>		<b>11,511.05</b>		<b>12,920.95</b>
Less: Creditors				
- Members' pre-payments	95.00		65.00	
- general	0.20		44.78	
Unpresented cheques	<u>104.00</u>		<u>24.90</u>	
		199.20		133.78
<b>TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE AT END OF YEAR</b>		<b><u>11,311.85</u></b>		<b><u>12,787.17</u></b>

Notes applicable to the year ending 31 December 2018:

1. During the year £600 was transferred from the Business Reserve Account to the Current Account.
2. Duplicate subscriptions and donations, and advance subscriptions and donations are included as income in the year of receipt and treated as £0. Such subscriptions and donations are shown as creditors in the Balance Sheet and are to be credited or debited (as appropriate) in 2019.
3. One creditor's cheque £0.20 credited to the Current Account by a bank error and not yet received.

I have read the above financial statements for 8/3/2019 and certify that they agree with the Association's records and documents as shown to me.

BERNARD MARYS

Independent Examiner

The above financial statements were approved by the Association's Committee on 11/3/2019 and signed on their behalf by

CATHERINE  
ANNE  
SALINGER

C. Salinger

Chairman