

# Hockley Residents Association

## Minutes of Committee Meeting held on 13 February 2008

- | <b>1</b> | <b>Matters Arising</b>  | <b>Action</b> |
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| 1.1      | <p><b>(1.1)</b> Traffic Volumes: ECC Highways have reverted to us offering to answer questions by e'mail. The key issues are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- B1013 volumes appear to be falling by about 5%pa (17,038 in 2004; 16,060 in 2005; and 15151 in 2008). Members unanimously felt that this trend does not reflect their experience. Are Highways satisfied the data is accurate and how do they explain the fall?</li><li>- Folly Lane volumes are reported as 3909 movements per day. This means that over 1 car in 4 on the B1013 is going to/from Folly Lane. This seems totally disproportionate.</li></ul>   | BG            |
| 1.2      | <p><b>(2.1)</b> Youth:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- A visit is to be arranged to The Warehouse in Rayleigh. Details tbc</li><li>- Plumberow Mount was padlocked during the day (9 January). Reason has been confirmed as temporary closure during maintenance.</li></ul>   | RV            |
| 2.1      | <p>May Elections: The chairman reminded that we would be away during elections and that someone is required to coordinate election activities. Brian Hazelwood agreed</p>   | BH            |
| <b>2</b> | <b>New business:</b>  |               |
| 2.1      | <p>RDC are undertaking a town centre enhancement planning programme for Hockley. Members would like to see:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- roads and parking improved as a priority e.g.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- possible one way system with Great Eastern Road</li><li>- linking car parks at rear of shops and possible rear access road</li><li>- enhancement at Spa junction, widening the size of the existing roundabout</li><li>- improve junction of Spa Road; Station Approach; and Station Road</li><li>- converting zebra crossing by the Factory shop into a pelican crossing</li></ul></li><li>- extending the superior pavement surface around all the centre (eg outside library)</li><li>- improving fascia of shops on east side of Spa Road. Members would ideally like to see them demolished and rebuild but recognised this was not practical.</li><li>- Improving bus stops by providing lay-by (eg outside library) and shelters (eg by chinese restaurant and an extra one in Southend Road about halfway to the White Hart one.</li></ul> | BG            |
| 2.2      | <p>Parish Hall Fire regulations: HPC have advised that we will no longer be able to use the Parish Hall as we have not signed the fire regulations. These were reviewed by the meeting on a line-by-line agreement and it was unanimously agreed that they should not be signed in their current format. The chairman was invited by Cllr James to speak at the next HPC meeting but otherwise the meeting accepted the need to find a new hall.</p>  | BG            |
| 2.3      | <p>It was reported that the lighting by the traffic lights in Plumberow Ave is very poor and dangerous. ECC to be advised.</p>  | BG            |
| 2.4      | <p>Agreed to donate £100 to Fairhavens.</p>   | JW            |
| <b>3</b> | <b>Date of Next Meeting: 12 March 2008</b>  |               |