



FERRING ROADS SCHEME ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 6th November 2024
At 8 Ferring Marine, 6pm start

Members Present:

Jackie Ring (Chairman)	Clive Butcher (Roads Liaison)
David Champ (IT & Website)	Shirley Ellerbeck (Publicity)
Graham Groom (Roads)	Nikki Hall (Road Wardens)
Sue Samuels (Treasurer)	Simon Thompson (Gardens)

Apologies:

Received from Pauline Edwards (Secretary)

Chairman's Welcome:

Jackie Ring welcomed attendees. Her summary of topics was to be discussed throughout the meeting, predominantly within the relevant agenda areas.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the September 2024 meeting were approved as a true and accurate record. The Chairman signed and dated them accordingly.

Review of Action Points:

- Completed

Repair to perspex of noticeboard at Village Hall requested and has been actioned. **PE**
Remembrance Sunday wreath purchased via Parish Council. **PE**
Ferring Club booked for AGM on 29th March 2025. **PE**

- In Progress

Costs of repair works following CCTV survey (see report). **RSC**
Garden matters (see report). **ST**

REPORTS

Roads Sub-Committee – Drainage

Conway undertook a detailed CCTV survey of the drains (gully pots/soakaways) in the village over a three-day period (30 Sept/2 October). We asked them to check 45 sites, we received a very detailed report of all the sites completed. The report has been circulated to all committee members. The Report contains significant technical details and some contradictory information – to have a better understanding of what is required a meeting has been arranged with Conway on 19 November. Subject to a satisfactory meeting with Conway the intention is to proceed with the 'repair work' recommended by them – several of the sites require action/work that Conway are unable to undertake, so we will be obtaining quotations for these works from other contractors.

Road Repairs

It has been agreed that no major 'resurfacing' work is envisaged during 2025 however the Roads Sub Committee felt that it requires some professional input from a Civil Engineering Company. Three companies are to be approached to provide cost estimates. However, prior to this it is proposed that a sample area would be surveyed by Clive to establish the sort of information required from the Civil Engineering companies. The items to be covered include, but not limited to, pot holes, edging, vegetation creep and white lining.

Gardens –

Ocean Drive – request to P&F Estates Ltd delayed. A copy of the Langbury Lane licence sent to them. Full response awaited.

Action: **ST** – *obtain costs should a formal/legal agreement be required.*

Clover Lane – 2 contractors 'phoned and meetings agreed, but either no-show or late cancellation. The assigned gardener is slowly returning to greater capacity. Simon hopes to have 2-3 days to undertake some work w/c 18 Nov and then a couple of weeks in Dec.

Publicity –

Shirley looks to have an article in January 2025 All About Ferring. It was suggested explaining bank funds earmarked for planned 2025 expenditure; advertise Road Wardens vacancies; highlight the Brook Lane work; request members advise their builders not to dispose of rubble into soakaways.

Action: **SE** – *ensure committee aware of date for copy.*

GG – *email suitable paragraph to Shirley for inclusion.*

Treasurer –

The bank funds stand at £153,000, but some large bills due and planned expenditure for next year. Since the last meeting – a further £885 of arrears and £600 in solicitor fees had been received.

IT & Website –

Nothing to report.

Road Wardens –

Nothing new to report - other than several Roads Wardens still required.

Action: **ALL** – *continue to seek willing recruits.*

Any Other Business – Committee:

Christmas Lights at Ocean Parade – will not be put up. The battery-operated devices have not been robust and it is not cost-effective to have to replace them each year.

3rd Reminders – all to go out as letters.

Action: **DC** – *produce and print for the Treasurer.*

Any Other Business – Chairman:

FRSA historic minutes – Simon from Ferring History group has kindly scanned these and then placed the originals in West Sussex records office, Chichester.

Annual Membership Fee – after discussion, the majority agreed an increase to £95 for 2025.

Next meeting – Wednesday 15 January 2025, start 6pm at 8 Ferring Marine