SUMMERSDALE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

"Residents Working Together"

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MINUTES of COMMITTEE MEETING

on Thursday 18 June 2026 at 7pm at St Michael's Hall

Present: Jill Shaw (Chair), Peter Bickley (Treasurer & Minutes), Ray Carter (Environment), Barbara Dart (Membership), Robert Lapraik (Goodwood) and Helen Rothwell (Webmaster)
In attendance: Cllr Jack Lovejoy (CJL), Jeremy Hunt,

1. Welcome

Cllr Jack Lovejoy, WSCC Chichester North (Lib Dem). JL mentioned that he intends to move to Summersdale. He is a parish councillor in Boxgrove. He works with children in the care system, preparing 16 to 17 year olds to progress to independence. At WSCC he is inter alia chair of Planning and Rights of Way Committee and member of Children and Young People's Services Scrutiny Committee. As a non-car driver, he has a keen interest in ensuring walking, cycling and buses are a viable alternative to cars.

2. Apologies

Janet Leonard, Paul Stross and Pauline Sutton.

3. Approval of Minutes of 14th May 2026

Approved.

4. Matters arising not mentioned in minutes

None.

5. Open Forum

None.

6. Introduction to Jack Lovejoy (WSCC) (CJL)

All present introduced themselves.

7. Chairman's report - JS

(a) **Website.** Unanimous thanks given to everyone involved with new website and payments system, especially HR. Members have praised the website and new members have paid via Stripe.

(b) **Summer newsletter.** Special edition to encourage non-members to join. It was agreed to deliver to all homes in Summersdale, including Winterbourne estate (CJL said Winterbourne estate households comprise approx 50:50 families:students) and Roussillon Park (CJL & JS to liaise with chair of RPRA), but not Graylingwell. **CJL**
JS will obtain more printing quotes and ask Mary Quiney which of her distributors would be willing to distribute a one-off longer round. **JS**
Newsletter editor Alicia Russell's proposal that the newsletter should look similar to new website was agreed; HR will help AR to achieve this. **HR/AR**
AR does not attend committee meetings. As meetings provide useful material for newsletters, JS will reiterate her invitation to AR to attend appropriate meetings. **JS**

(c) **New pavement by Summersdale Court, The Drive/Lavant Road.** Now approved - final assessment September 2026 with a view to WSCC constructing in FY 2027/28.

(d) **North and East Streets - replacement of road and pavement surfaces and upgrading of wifi and mobile phone signals.** Connectivity upgrades will be done first. All invited to attend The Chi Soc meeting "Regeneration in the City" on 29 June at 6pm at which council reps will speak. **ALL**

(e) **Broyle Road temporary closure.** CJL will notify when and why. **CJL**

(f) **Brandy Hole Pond dipping pontoon.** Still fenced off, apparently pending health & safety clearance. JH has written to CDC and will report. **JH**

8. Online infrastructure - HR

(a) **Website.** A unanimous vote of thanks was agreed for HR for her work on the website and the payment system Stripe. The website is the top result on online searches. Suggestions were made, eg add Barry Aldridge's name on Summersdale Neighbourhood Appraisal (original and updated),

links to Goodwood Airfield noise complaints webpage made prominent on Local Info and Resources, links needed to enable reports to be made to relevant authorities about, inter alia, potholes, faded road markings, vegetation, parking, and bikes and ebikes on pavements. All to email HR with suggestions who will collect and make agreed modifications later. **ALL**

(b) **Domain https://summersdaleresidents.co.uk/ – HR.** Our domain name needs to be re-registered to protect from unofficial use. Reclamation requires the name and postal address of original registrant which is proving difficult to ascertain. HR's research indicate that the domain/ website may have been taken over from another RA at the end of 2005 and repurposed. Domain registrar may have been Redstation before moving to Cut.co.uk. The earliest domain invoice held by Treasurer PB is for 2 years renewal wef 8.1.10 (PB subsequently discovered older payment dd 18.5.06 to cut.co.uk, probably for domain 2 yrs wef 8.1.06 and hosting 1 yr wef 29.7.06). PB to seek contemporaneous evidence from ex cttee members Andrew Birch and Derek James. **PB**
Meanwhile, the following para was agreed to help gain back control of our domain name: "The current committee has made reasonable enquiries with current and former committee members and has been unable to identify or contact the original registrant of summersdaleresidents.co.uk. The domain has been used solely for the benefit of the Summersdale Residents' Association for many years and is recognised by residents as the Association's official website."

(c) **Stripe payment collection system – HR.** Set up by HR in conjunction with PB and BD. Receipts are sent to payers. Reports to membership secretary, treasurer, webmaster, et al can be generated. Treasurer@summersdaleresidents.co.uk is Administrator. Work is ongoing. **HR/PB/BD**

(d) **New member welcome letter – PB.** PB's draft letter was noted – agreed to d/w ex-committee. East Broyle RA provides new members with a 'welcome pack'. JL undertook to obtain. **CJL**

9. **Attracting New Members - JS/ All**
JS's 3-month plan, AI review and list of numbers of members in each road were considered and views expressed. All were asked to comment to JS so plan can be finalised and adopted. **ALL**
PB (as notice board key holder) undertook to put prospectus with QR code on notice board. **PB**

10. **Summer Newsletter – JS**
To be published in Sept. The front page will be a 'read me' page to attract non-members; JS to craft. For recipient households et al see item 7(b). Copy deadline end July (TBC). **ALL/JS/AR**

11. **Reports - Taken as read unless important items not already covered**

(a) **Environment report – RC**

i. **Trees – RC.** As several new trees have not been sufficiently watered, it was agreed not to request any this year and instead ask residents with trees outside their homes to water them. In future, residents near proposed tree sites will be asked to commit to watering before SRA requests a new tree, ideally by personal request as well as email, newsletter, website and noticeboard. JS/RC to organise. **JS/RC**

ii. **Lavant linear path (Graylingwell to Fordwater Rd) – RC.** Once complete, where will cyclists go on reaching Fordwater Road? No money to upgrade footpath 459. CJL to ask CDC. **CJL**

(b) **Goodwood report - RL.** Nothing untoward to report.

(c) **Membership No's – BD.** 359 - two new members.

(d) **Treasurer's report – PB.** Lloyds Bank £2,995.76 (inc £75.10 for NCRA). Expenses include £724.50 balance of website design & set up, £15.40 to Chi Uni printing 100 prospecti and £10 Nominet to re-establish "summersdaleresidents.co.uk" web domain. Lloyds Bank Business Instant Access a/c £0.01 and United Trust Bank Business 30-day notice a/c 3.7% £11,577.49.

(e) **Planning report - JS/BD.** Nothing noteworthy for discussion.

12. **Hackett's Rew Information Board – JS, RC, PB.**
Carried forward

13. **Date of next meeting**
23 July 2026 at 7pm at St Michael's Hall.

Meeting ended 9.10pm. PB/JS/PB 30.6.26