

Jaywick Community Forum



OPEN MEETING Resource Centre
25th August 1.30pm

ATTENDEES:

John Wolton, Dan Casey, Gill Elkins, Sylvia Hobbs, Ian Burit, Brenda Oliver,) Catherine Eldred (Green Elms, Practice Manager) Karl Randal, Chris Griffiths (Essex County Councillor for Clacton West) Crispin Downs, Hilary Rowlands, Teresa Watson, +2 members of the public, and press

APOLOGIES:

Suzy Shimell, Ray Hanson, Guinness Trust, Steve Lee-Foster, Sam Jess, Margaret Odell, Carlo Guglielmi.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

Agreed and signed

MATTERS ARISING:

Dan and Chris are trying to get Stephen Maize to cover beach cleaning – talks are ongoing.

UP DATE FROM CHAIR:

The sub committee are looking at ways to finance taking the idea of the Parish Council for Jaywick to the community for discussion.

Linda McWilliams (Councillor who attend the last meeting) is to ask David Hall to attend one of our meetings regarding beach patrols etc.

There was a report in the paper regarding the £1m promised by David Lines for Jaywick saying it was unlikely to happen at present with the financial climate as it is.

Someone has had a look at the gully outside Golf Green Hall.

Looking at the H & S issues regarding the steps in Midway over the dyke.

It was agreed that the press would only attend after 2.30.

UP DATES FROM COMMUNITY ORGANISATION:

I.B. – Nothing much to report. There is a meeting 8th September, 7.30 at Sam's Hall, all welcome. The Essex police web site is very good, take a look and you can see what is going on regarding crime in your area (web site - www.essex.police.uk/yourarea and enter your postcode).

S.S. – Did Not Attend

S.H. – Some work has been done at the hall and everything is ticking over nicely.

B.O. – .Mike Smith is doing a good job at St Christopher's

D.C. – Library doing well, we have had a meeting with Essex County Council regarding the running and rent of the library.

G.E. – Nothing to Report.

J.W. – Nothing to Report

R.H. – Did Not Attend.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Nothing to Report

REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES

Hilary/Crispin reported that they were investigating the possibility of a grant from the Lottery Heritage Fund for Tudor Fields, which at present is owned by EEDA. It will be access to green spaces linked with walks to heritage sites within Jaywick. It is in the very early stages at present but the idea is to connect the area, they were asked if it could include the beach - to be looked into.

Karl reported a change in Portfolio holders and about the day of action that is taking place now.

Catherine reported on Green Elms – work is moving at a good pace, with some things more noticeable than others. Most days we are supplied with enough G.P.'s to cover requirements. We are in the process of having adverts in the B.M.J. next month (British Medical Journal – a doctor's magazine) for permanent doctors and we can only wait to see if we have any applications, as it can be a problem in the Clacton area. We are also advertising for two practice nurses, a HCA and a secretary. We hope to also employ a Nurse Practitioner so hopefully we will have a full compliment of staff soon.

We started painting for a "quick fix" to make the surgery look cleaner and smarter but this has turned into a major project.

We are sorting out administration now as well, with courses and training for staff.

We have almost completed a draft action plan.

We need a patient participation group to be set up and that is in hand. (SEE ATTACHED)

Teresa – we had a successful tea dance.

Public began to arrive

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

It was raised that the HOO – Home Owner Occupiers group was not very well publicised which was discussed.

Planning is getting better with one site in Jaywick getting a site visit from the Tendring District Council planning committee – this will set a precedent. The Environment Agency sees this area as being sustainable until 2055. It was stated by a member of the public that the biggest obstacle for improvement seems to be Tendring District Council.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

29th September 2010 – 1.30pm at the Golf Green Hall.

Green Eims and Nayland drive Surgery, Jaywick

Development of a Patient Participation Group (PPG)

I suggest that I lead on the initial development of Patient Participation and the establishment of a PPG. I am less involved in the day to day business of the practice and therefore can assist in an objective way. The PPG, if it is to succeed, must be patient centred with assistance from us, not the other way round.

I suggest the following initial timetable:

Identify key players and initiate discussions.	September 30 th .
Agree draft purpose of PPG	October 6 th
Propose draft structure and membership	October 6 th
Present and discuss with patients	October 13 th

Initial or Draft Purpose of PPG:

- To improve communication between the practice and its patients and with the wider community.
- To act as a filter for patient comments and general criticism. (not specific complaints)
- To advise the practice on our ongoing Action Plan.
- To assist the practice in informing patients of the details and progress of the Action Plan.
- To advise the practice on obtaining useful feedback from patients.
- To contribute to the future progress of the practice.

I do not in any way under estimate the difficulties in implementing this part of the plan, but I think it is essential to involve the influential members of the community and their elected representatives in the rejuvenation of their practice. They need to know what is happening in the background in order to make an informed judgement on the more visible changes.

There is a fine balance between getting away from the current rather confrontational relationship, and arriving at a position where the practice is managed by NEEPS, but with the consent and assistance of the community. Comments from interested patient or community groups are particularly welcome on this proposal.

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