



South Godstone Residents' Association

Meeting Minutes – 2 October 2025 at 8pm
At The Pavilion, Lagham Road, South Godstone

1. Apologies for absence
John Farnaby, Andy Janaway
 2. Welcome to visitors
 - a. Alban Brindle, Chair of Godstone Village Association ('GVA')
 3. Minutes of meeting 25 July 2025
Taken as read and signed by Mike as a true and accurate record of the meeting
 4. Matters arising
None
 5. Chairman's Report
Mike advised there was much going on in the village
 6. Treasurer's report
Monies held:

In the bank	£1,087.72
Petty cash	<u>£149.61</u>
Total	<u>£1,237.33</u>
- John is readying the accounts paperwork for taking to the auditor prior to the forthcoming AGM.
7. Secretary's report
Susan has been prepping for the AGM.
 8. Publicity
 - a. Facebook
Colin A advised there is no real change in Facebook followers.

There is concern locally regarding Sallipets. It was agreed that posts would not be reposted by or on the SGRA Facebook page.
 - b. Godstone and South Godstone magazine
Articles are submitted generally monthly for inclusion within the magazine
 - c. RH9 Magazine
Rarely are articles submitted for inclusion focussing on specific events and the like
 - d. Website
As part of a full review and update of the SGRA website, pages to be reviewed are:

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Remembrance – John to review
Cost of living – John and Susan to review
Overall review – Julie
Crime Prevention and Trading Standards – John to review
Speedwatch – Colin A to review
Local Councillors – Mike to review
BT openreach – Chris to review
Neighbourhood Plan – John to review

Remaining pages to form part of phase 2 review.

9. SGRA Fund Raiser

John had posted on Facebook asking what type of event the community would support and attend. There had been one response only and that was for a comedy night.

Other options, suggested by Alban, included

Murder mystery evening

Themed evening (say French or German or Italian) – may focus on cuisine and entertainment

Barn Dance

Magic Evening

Cinema Evening

Tribute Acts

We need to be conscious that, for events at the sports club, we do not benefit from any bar taking profits or share thereof so the ticket costs must cover the costs of the entertainment. Likewise, we are unable to cook or heat meals at the sports club again limiting options available to us.

Susan had spoken with Comedy Beats which was happy to put on another event if this was our chosen option. Costs had remained at £1,000 although were due to increase in the near future.

Susan was tasked to check for rival events so there was no clash in the near vicinity but be mindful that Comedy Beats would hopefully deliver “better” comedians if the date coincided with another of its events where comedians could hotfoot between venues

Susan to approach SGS&CA seeking permission to host a Comedy Night and advising the date will be finalised soonest.

10. AGM 2025 preparation

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- a. Hall hire confirmation
Mike had booked the hall for 21 November 2025
- b. Committee reelection
The committee indicated its willingness to stand although Susan was undecided.
- c. AGM invitation
 - i. Colin A and Mike to prepare this.
 - ii. Printing costs
Susan will locate the costs for the 2024 AGM invitation
 - iii. Format of distribution yet to be determined
- d. Guest speaker
It was agreed having a speaker offered different attractions for attending the AGM.

Susan proposed someone from Surrey County Council on the topic of Local Government Reorganisation (countering the TDC speaker at the 2024)

Alban suggested Lambs Business Park owners as a large scale employer in the area

Bourne Society – Alban will provide contact details to Susan who will approach

11. Godstone Village Association report No major updates for Godstone itself.

- a. There has been a planning application submitted for a 2 unit traveller site in Ivy Mill Lane, Bletchingley near the Days Garage site. There has been considerable comment and opposition to this proposal from the local community.
- b. There have been many new applications for gypsy and traveller sites into Tandridge District Council recently.

TDC has increased its budget substantially to address and fight these applications which often start as incursions. There is a set process where a High Court injunction is served which generally leads to the travellers applying for retrospective planning permission meaning that Enforcement Notices can't be served.

The Gypsy and Traveller Plan for TDC is part of its Local Plan which was

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14. Appendix - Development and planning

- a. 2025/332 - Land To Rear Of 1 Woodlands Drive, South Godstone RH9 8HU - **Approved**
Subdivision of site and erection of a three bedroom detached bungalow at rear of no.1 Woodlands Drive, Godstone.
- b. 2025/305 - Ambulance Station, Lagham Road, South Godstone RH9 8HB **NOT YET DETERMINED**
Erection of 6 dwellings following the demolition of the existing building.
- c. 2025/357 - Posterngate Farm, Eastbourne Road, South Godstone RH9 8EL **NOT YET DETERMINED**
Removal of mixed commercial buildings and associated structures and areas of hardstanding and dwelling known as Flint Barn and redevelopment with eight dwellings, served from existing access to Hart's Lane; stopping up of two existing accesses to the A22 Eastbourne Road and replacement with new soft landscaping; provision of other new hard and soft landscaping and open space; foul and surface water drainage systems; and other works
- d. 2025/554/NH - Bramble Hatch, Carlton Road, South Godstone RH9 8LE **Prior approval required and given**
Construction of single-storey rear extension which would extend beyond the rear wall of the original house by 8.00 metres, for which the maximum height would be 3.90 metres, and for which the height of the eaves would be 2.80 metres (Notification of a Proposed Larger Home extension) The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended) - Schedule 2, Part 1, Class A
- e. 2025/487/EIA - Land At South Godstone, Tandridge,
EIA Screening Opinion (residential development of up to 200 dwellings and a commercial unit, with associated public open space, surface water drainage and infrastructure)
- f. 2025/815 - Land West Of Eastbourne Road, South Godstone RH9 8JY **NOT YET DETERMINED**
Outline planning application with all matters reserved except means of access and scale for residential development of up to 200 dwellings (Use Class C3), a commercial or community unit (Use Class E or F2), landscaping, public open space, and all associated infrastructure. (Outline)
- g. 2025/836 - Norbryght, Tilburstow Hill Road, South Godstone RH9 8NA **NOT YET DETERMINED**
Formation of gym building, tennis court and outdoor pool
- h. 2025/945 - 52 Easter Way, South Godstone, Godstone RH9 8HQ **NOT YET DETERMINED**
Lawful Development Certificate (proposed) for loft conversion into habitable space, including the addition of a rear dormer, a hip to gable roof extension, and front rooflights

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Mike had flagged this Contact Us form with Tandridge District Council's Chief Planning Officer. The application had been submitted under Certificate C meaning the application is not aware of all landowners involved.

Chris advised he believes there is a developer for this scheme who has a lien over the three landowners.

Mike stressed the excellent quality of the statutory consultees' responses, especially National Highways which had indicated M25 Junction 6 was already at overcapacity.

15. Any other business

- a. Remembrance 2025 – it was agreed to for Susan to order two wreaths on behalf of SGRA, one to be laid at the Remembrance service at our Soldier on the corner of Harcourt Way/A22 Eastbourne Road and the other at Sergeant Fennemore's memorial opposite Posterngate Farm
- b. Colin A advised the village sign, on the corner of Harcourt Way/A22 Eastbourne Road, had fallen over due to a rotten post. It was confirmed as being the responsibility of the Parish Council to remedy and this would be brought to its attention at the Parish Council meeting on Monday evening if it was not already aware
- c. Colin A advised the pedestrian crossing signals have been replaced following yet another vehicle strike recently. These new signals appear to be different with some form of camera or sensor on the top and wondered whether such could have ANPR (automatic number plate recognition) capability and the opportunity to "catch" vehicles speeding along A22
- d. Colin W advised of the Macmillan Coffee Morning taking place from 10.30am the following day at the sports club. A Macmillan fundraising ploughman's lunch was to follow accompanied by a bric a brac stall.

Meeting closed 22.00.

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