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SOUTHDEAN ESTATE MATTERS

Official Newsletter of Southdean Estate Ltd

Welcome

We hope you are all enjoying what seems to be the start of spring. It was good to see many of you at the recent AGM and to catch up informally afterwards. A brief report of the meeting is given on page 2 whilst full minutes can be found on the website. We are delighted to report that Spencer Aubrey was elected Chair of the committee at the meeting and that David Garn, who has a wealth of knowledge and experience with estate matters, will continue to be a member of the committee and serve as Vice Chair. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Nick Trish for his time as Co-Chair and look forward to his continuing work as a board member.

In an ongoing effort to improve communications it was announced that there would be four newsletters a year going forward. These letters will be emailed but if you would prefer a paper copy please let Steve McKie, the secretary, know at southdeansec@gmail.com. WE would also like to draw your attention to the new logo which you will see as a band at the bottom of the page.

Mystery object

We have become accustomed to this winter's storms, taking them in our stride until the item pictured below was washed up on Elmer Beach.



What was it? Speculation suggested an unexploded device which resulted in the coastguard and police being summoned. After a great deal of deliberation it was agreed that the item posed no threat and was simply part of the flotsam and jetsam seen daily on our coastline.

Spencer Aubrey

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Post AGM



AGM update

Immediately before the AGM a request was raised and subsequently agreed to amend Article 35 of the Articles of Association allowing an increase in the maximum number of Directors from five to seven. As part of his report the Chair reported that the drainage gullies had been cleared and that quotes were being sought for some localised road repairs. The Treasurer gave an oral report on the estate's finances. The key points were that the current balance at bank was in excess of £110,000 and that it had been decided Road Rates should remain at £135 for 2024-25.

Under AOB a document was tabled relating to the Flood Fund monies. It was agreed that this document required consideration and the Chair agreed to prioritise this action. This was followed by some discussion on the challenges faced by some parts of the estate due to heavy rainfall this year. Residents were reminded of their responsibility to protect their own properties.

Other news

We hope that many of you will be able to join us for our summer party on 6th July at the scout hut. This was a great event last year and we are confident that this year will see neighbours enjoying the opportunity to enjoy each other's company. If you are interested in being involved please get in touch.

We know that many residents regularly walk on the beach and are aware of the amount of debris brought in with the tide. Thank you to those who regularly collect and dispose of waste from the beach. It is a huge task but, just like the Great Wall of China which started with the laying of the first stone, so it is with the beach: it all helps. With this in mind at 10 am Sunday 12th May we will have our annual beach clean. Please join us at the twitten at the bottom of Southdean Drive where bags will be provided for the rubbish collected.

Finally, an couple of important reminder which will help everyone on the estate: we have a 15 mph speed limit to protect pedestrians as we have no pavements. Additionally we draw your attention to the potential risk of pedestrian's tripping over items on verges abutting the road.

Future Events

Summer Party
6.07.24
Scout Hut
6-9pm

Beach Clean
12.05.24
10 am

Road Rates remain at
£135
for 2024-25

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