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MINUTES OF THE 35th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Held in St Barnabas Church on Tuesday 19th March 2019 at 7.15pm

1. Welcome and Apologies. Annette Fairweather (Chairperson) welcomed all members to the meeting. 8 apology emails received prior to 19th March.

2. Minutes. The minutes of the previous AGM held on 13th March 2018 were agreed by all at the meeting.

3. Matters Arising. There were no matters arising.

4. Annual Reports.

4.1. Chairpersons Annual Report.

Annette outlined the main activities had had been undertaken in 2018.

Planning.

Proposed Planning off Peppard Road – EGRA worked as part of CAGE to oppose the proposed planning. The appeal has been refused with planning declined.

Highdown Avenue – Planning refused

Reading Golf Club – Reading Golf Club (RGC) members have voted in favour of the sale of the Golf Club at their AGM.

RGC is maintaining contact with EGRA and as information becomes available we will share with our members.

When questioned from the floor Annette emphasised that EGRA will maintain its role and activity regarding planning issues as outlined at last year's (2018) AGM.

4.2 Treasurers Report

John thanked Janette Joyce for her work as accounts examiner. The meeting agreed that she be appointed to examine the 2019 accounts in due course.

EGRA recorded a deficit of £191.79 in the year ended 31 12 2019. All funds are held in the bank.

5. Future of EGRA - EGRA is at Risk! Annette emphasised that the four Committee member in front of the meeting, with less than a handful of Committee supporters were all that was maintaining EGRA, and that these members were under pressure to keep the Association going. An appeal was made for members both to join the Committee and also to support where they could give time.

6. Election of Officers

6.1 Annette was willing to stand again as Chair for a further year. Annette was seconded and elected.

6.2 Bill Harper had resigned as Treasurer during the year with John Winstanley stepping into the role John stood as Treasurer and was seconded and elected.

6.3 Neil Tayler stood as Membership secretary and was seconded and elected.
Clyde Garrett stood as GP and Transport Liaison and was seconded and elected.

6.4 Liz Lyke and Linda Glithro stepped down from the Committee. Annette thanked them for their valuable support throughout their time on the Committee.

7. Membership Fee Increase – All members present agreed to a fee increase of £2 per year.

8. AOB

The CADRA AGM is to be held on the 11th June, at Thameside School Hall.

Malcolm Pemble from CADRA spoke with reference to the fund raising that CADRA and the team who designed the Caversham Heritage Map are doing to develop a richly illustrated panel, telling the story of William Marshall who died in Caversham 800 years ago. Malcolm welcomed members to donate and was available to speak to individuals after the meeting.

Annette thanked everyone for taking the time to attend and noted appreciation from the Committee for the Members support over the last year.