



Sevenoaks Town Partnership

Minutes of the Friends of Bat & Ball Station held at the Town Council Chamber At 6.30 p.m. on 10th July 2018

Present:

Cllr Paul Towell, Chairman	Sevenoaks Town Council	Present
Cllr Tony Clayton, Vice Chairman	Sevenoaks Town Council	Apolgies
Linda Larter, Town Clerk	Sevenoaks Town Council	Present
Cllr Marilyn Canet	Sevenoaks Town Council	Present
Cllr Andrew Eyre	Sevenoaks Town Council	Present
Cllr Rachel Parry	Sevenoaks Town Council	Present
Cllr Richard Parry	Sevenoaks Town Council	Present
Roger Johnson	Sevenoaks Rail Travellers Assoc.	Present
Byron Brown	Bradbourne Residents Assoc.	Present
Bonnie Tarling, Committee Clerk	Sevenoaks Town Council	Present
Linda Redden	Heritage Engagement Officer	Present

The Chairman welcomed the new Heritage Engagement Officer, Linda Redden to the meeting.

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies received from Derek Medhurst, Gillian Paterson, Alastair Boobyer and David Killingray.

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting of the Friends of Bat & Ball Station held on 17th April 2018

The Minutes were received and agreed as a true record.

3. Station Matters

It was noted that there had been a lot of public concern regarding the new temporary timetable with trains cancelled and delayed. There was also a concern regarding the replacement bus service that was in place with often very little announcements as to when the buses would be arriving.

It was requested that Friends of Bat & Ball Station write a letter to Govia Thameslink & Southeastern with the committee's concerns regarding the new timetable.

4. Refurbishment Project

An update was received from the Town Clerk. Work started at the station on 18th June, would run for 24 weeks and was currently on schedule. A copy of the schedule was distributed.



5. Activity Plan & Volunteers

The Heritage Engagement Officer talked through the Activity Plan and the additional points were noted:

- i) Website
The website was currently 70% finished with the hope to go live to the public at the end of July. An example of the website was shown to the committee and a link would be sent shortly with feedback requested.
- ii) History Talk about Thomas Crampton
This event would take place on 23rd October, 7pm at the Town Council Chamber. Further details and a poster would be issued shortly.
- iii) Arts and Craft events
Several events would be taking place over the summer with dates and further details to be issued shortly.
- iv) Oral History Talks Training
It was noted that a training day for volunteers wishing to take part in the interviews for Oral History talks would take place on 2nd August 10am till 4.30pm at the Town Council Chamber

Anyone wishing to volunteer for any upcoming activities should contact Linda Redden on 01732 459 953 or email heo@sevenoakstown.gov.uk

A suggestion had been received regarding changing the access to the station (picture was circulated of proposed plan). It was noted that this suggestion would not be possible due to the bike racks, storage bins and litters bins being placed behind the fence to the left of the entrance to the station platform.

6. Future meeting dates

It was noted that the following meeting dates had been confirmed:

Tuesday 14th August
Tuesday 11th September
Tuesday 16th October

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.21pm



Signed
Chairman

Dated