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LEWES DISTRICT CPRE SUSSEX AGM
to be held at 2.30pm on Saturday, 16th July 2022
at Plumpton Village Hall, 1 Westgate, Plumpton Green, BN7 3BQ

Agenda

- 1) Apologies for absence
- 2) Minutes of the AGM held 21/10/21
- 3) Matters arising
- 4) Chairman's report
- 5) Election of committee – Martin Heath will not be standing for re-election as secretary. Proposals for the vacant post and generally for the committee very welcome!
- 6) Any other business

The AGM will be followed by a talk from John Kay, Chair of the Lewes District Group, on planning issues.

There will also be a presentation from a representative from "Don't Urbanise the Downs".

Refreshments will be available. If you are planning to attend, it would be helpful for catering purposes if you could kindly let me know.

Please RSVP/send apologies to Martin Heath: Secretary Lewes CPRE m.j.heath2@btopenworld.com

Following the meeting, weather permitting, we propose a short walk to view the site of the proposed East Chilmington housing development.

Minutes of the Last Lewes District CPRE Sussex AGM held at 2.30pm on Saturday, 23rd October at King's Church, Brooks Road, Lewes BN7 2BY

Present: Philip Pople (Chairman), Martin Heath, John Kay, Robert Cheesman, Margaret Thorburn, Mary Greenwood and six others

- 1) Apologies were received from Jennie Toomey, Ann Freeman, Margaret Moore, Emily O'Brien, Vic Ient, Pauline Porter and Elizabeth Monnington
- 2) Minutes of the last meeting 6/9/19 – Robert Burman added as present, Mary Greenwood's first name corrected from Margaret. They were then adopted.
- 3) Matters arising – nil.
- 4) Chairman's report - this was circulated prior to the meeting. Philip Pople announced that sadly Jim Greenwood died on 30th April at the age of 95. He had served on the committee for many years and his contributions were greatly missed.
- 5) Election of committee. Philip Pople stood down as Chairman. Martin Heath proposed John Kay as Chairman and he was elected nem con. Martin Heath agreed to continue as Secretary. All other existing committee members (Mary Greenwood, Margaret Moore, Margaret Thorburn, Robert Cheesman, Elizabeth Monnington and Philip Pople) stood for re-election and were re-elected nem con. Paul Stevens was elected to the committee.
- 6) Any other business - nil

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John Kay gave an update after the meeting on planning issues, mentioning in particular the “Eton Mess” proposals for East Chilmington, the proposed housing next to the rewilded Knepp Castle Estate near Horsham, the proposed Center Parcs development in ancient woodland near Crawley and the Gatwick Expansion, with the proposal to convert the current emergency runway to a second main runway. There had, however, been positives for CPRE Sussex over the past year, including the Dark Skies project, rejection of fracking at Balcombe, a Southern Water grant, “Plant your Postcode”, the Local Nature Partnership and amendments to the Burgess Hill “Northern Arc”. CPRE representation had also been instrumental in several unworkable housing proposals being withdrawn.

Martin Heath, Secretary, Lewes District Group, CPRE Sussex

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