



**AGREED - Minutes for the meeting held on Tuesday 2 October 2025**

		Action
<b>1</b>	<b>Apologies + welcome</b>	
<b>2</b>	<b>Present: DH, ET, EB, MC, MD, ZG, LP, PS, PD, RdLM</b>	
<b>3</b>	<b>Minutes of previous meetings</b> 1) 15 May 25 3) July 25 Committee agreed both sets of minutes as final. PS to post on the website.	PD/PS
<b>4</b>	<b>Corrections and any matters arising from previous minutes that are not on the agenda</b> There were no corrections Keysers Road - emergency access/right of way. DH and MC met with residents of Keysers Road and Great Meadow who expressed concerns about the proposal to install a post with a fire brigade lock for ease of access in case of an emergency. Keys for the lock are widely available and because of the resulting decreased security, it was agreed to go no further with the idea at this time. PD to write to individual concerned residents in advance of the next AGM	PD
<b>5</b>	<b>Website update</b> Committee noted the slow volume of traffic to the website. Committee agreed not to finance further functionality but to keep to the minimum needed for 'transparency and accountability'. MC to redesign the RARA letterhead to include the web address.	MC
<b>6</b>	<b>RARA finance update.</b> Treasurer reported as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Collections for Road Fund Contributions from 1 May to 1 October 2025 - £2,570</li> <li>Defibrillator Contributions as at 1 October 2025 - £2,515.60</li> <li>Expenses from 1 May to 1 October 2025 - £258.25</li> <li>Bank Balances – Current account - £5,082.35 (note, this includes the Defib Funds of £2,515.60) and (£2566.75 Road Funds)</li> <li>Bank Balance – Savings account - £20,583.61 (note, this includes £583.61 of interest earned to date)</li> </ul> Statements will be sent out in the next few weeks to all households.	EB

7	<p><b>No Left Turn &amp; yellow lines update</b></p> <p>The 'no left turn' sign has still not been replaced. ET and Nazeing PC have chased. Salcombe resident continues to chase. No progress. Committee noted an increase in near miss/RTAs. Individual residents to be encouraged to write to the MP and chase Herts Highways.</p> <p>The yellow lines have been painted!! Committee noted that the new lines had made a very substantial difference to road safety for local residents.</p>	ET/DH
8	<p><b>Defibrillator proposal update.</b> MC has handed this project to LP who reported that sufficient funds are in place to purchase a defib! There is a surplus balance for 'sundries'. LP advised that a percentage of RARA's fundraising should continue to top up the defib sundries and eventual replacement fund. LP has negotiated with Thames Water. TW intend to tidy up their site, replacing all fencing and removing the tangle of vegetation. Thames Water will install the defib on their new fencing for RARA and will supply it with electricity! Committee thanked and congratulated LP for her work on this.</p>	LP
9	<p><b>Road surface update.</b> Nothing urgent therefore MC/DH to review again in Spring 26 and prepare proposals for the next round of road repairs. Proposal to be presented to the AGM bearing in mind the impact of any new housebuilding or renovations.</p>	DH/ MC
10	<p><b>1) Summer Street Party review.</b> Summer street party was a resounding success and raised £801 for the defibrillator!! Lots of residents turned out and supported. The inclusion of a couple of stalls was very successful. ZG to consider ticketing and timetabling the boat trips next summer. Committee thanked everyone for their hard work and support.</p> <p><b>2) Christmas Event planning</b> Friday 19 December 6-8pm outside Hollowbank. Committee each contributed £10 personally for refreshments. As usual there will be no financial impact on the road repair fund. Invitations (PD/MC) in due course. Christmas jumpers/hats. Christmas lights. Gazebo's if wet (All). Fire pit/speaker (MC), Mulled wine (MD), Donations of refreshments to be requested from residents. Dog treats, carol sheets, glo-sticks, chairs suggested.</p>	ZG/ ALL
11	<p><b>Any other business.</b></p> <p><b>1) Scams</b></p> <p>MC reported a couple of nasty electronic scams doing the rounds. An 'amazon' parcel purporting to be from a friend but with a QR code which then extracts personal data. MC suggested that everyone verbally set up a 'family safe word' to be used as a secret code but never given out.</p> <p>2) ET thanked committee members for turning out and helping at the grand opening of the Elizabeth Close Playground. All to note that Bumbles Green Playground is being opened in half-term and help/support would be welcomed.</p>	All to note

**14 Agree dates of future meetings**

1) Committee Meeting. Thursday 4th December '25 - TBC

 Christmas Event - Friday 19 December 26

2) Committee Meeting - Wednesday 18 March 26

3) Committee Meeting (and AGM planning) - Wednesday 6 May 26

 Summer party planning meeting - Wednesday 17 June 26

4) AGM - Monday 22 June 26 - The Crown

 Summer Street party - Saturday 18 July 26

5) Committee Meeting - Wednesday 7 October 26