

Transport Accessibility Group

Meeting held at the Queens Hotel, Hawkhurst on Friday 22nd February 2019

Apologies

Tony Avenell - Member. Gillian Davis - Sandhurst Member. Mike Appelbe - Hawkhurst Parish Council. Hugh Loy - Stagecoach. Peter Emberson - Vice Chairman.

Chairman Tony Staines welcomed Graham Holmes - Cranbrook Parish Council. Geoffrey Goodsell - Chairman Bodiam Parish Council .Barrett Manning Staplehurst Parish Council

Minutes of the last meeting held on Friday December 7th were read agreed and signed.

Treasurer Report

£176.18 in Account. Christmas Raffle 2019 £29.00. Christmas Raffle 2018 £24.00
No expenses last meeting.

Matters arising from the minutes

Chairman Tony Staines spoke about Richard Phillips who had died recently he was a member of this Group joined soon after the Group was formed and had been very involved with the Group, will be missed was agreed that a donation of £20 in memory of Richard. Chairman Tony Staines to give Vicar a cheque for this amount for any resident in need of help.

349 Stagecoach Sunday Service still Making good connections with Arriva 5 at Cranbrook going to Maidstone. Felt the publicity could be better about these services.

Graham Holmes suggested that we have a logo, it was agreed that he should investigate this.

Also stated that all planning applications should include all bus links. Kent County Council in discussion with Hams Coaches with the operation of the 297 Service, Cranbrook, Tenterden, Ashford, Tunbridge Wells which they have taken over from Arriva. (Funded by K.C.C.).

Graham spoke about the work that he is involved with the Hop Pickers Line Heritage Group with connections where Public Footpaths actually cross the old railway route

Barrett Manning

Spoke about the Number 5 School Transport still breaking down. Students are getting an earlier bus to make sure they get to school on time, otherwise parents are taking them to school, which is causing congestion on the roads. Some of the Arriva Buses are very old and are breaking down regularly.

Staplehurst Parish Council have meetings with K.CC and Arriva to discuss how some of these issues can be dealt with if possible

Meeting closed at 12.30

Date of next Meeting Friday April 12th Queens Hotel Hawkhurst at 11.00 am