



Minutes of Committee meeting 1.15pm on 27th March 2025 at the Ruby Pub & Hotel

1	Apologies Jack Moxley , Manish Suchak Present Debbie Annells (Minutes); Patrick Lowe (Chair); Anant Suchak(Treasurer) and Jean Thomas (Residential)	
2	Minutes of Forum Committee meeting on 30th January 2025. These were agreed by all with no amendments.	
3	Dates for future Committee meetings. See below.	
Part B	Main Business	
4	Mock Examiner's Feedback and Next Steps. We had reviewed in detail at a specially convened sub-committee meeting, the written comments received from the Mock Independent Examiner Laura Collins of Intelligent Plans & Examinations, on v16 of the draft Plan, on 11 th March 2025. We were pleased with the overall feedback given by the Mock Examiner. We had subsequently written with the queries arising to both Brighton & Hove City Council Planning Team and to South Down National Park Authority Planning Team with an update and queries on next steps/ likely timings. We are waiting to hear back from both parties. The draft Plan will be updated, to v17, for all comments and amendments agreed before being finally submitted to the Council to start the next stage of the process, which is the Regulation 16 Consultation and formal Independent Examination. We have asked to view CVs for possible suitable Independent Examiners , as the Council will be paying for that Examination, and for the Regulation 16 Consultation. Thereafter we trust we can have the Referendum in 2025. We have asked for a possible timetable of events, from the Council.	
5.	FeedBack from SDNPA re our update Brief on-line and in-person comments, where Patrick spoke at the Moulsecoomb in-person feedback session, on the South Down National Park Plan review had been made,	

	before their deadline of 20 th March 2025. Specifically we raised objections about the proposed temporary Car Park application for 490 + contractors cars the West Slope of Sussex University in Stanmer Park. This may impact Coldean Neighbourhood Area. We had now heard that after a lot of objections Sussex University has dropped the temporary Car Park application, which is good news. An Update had been sent to Forum members on this outcome.	
6.	Finance Update Treasurer Anant advised that of the approx. £5,800 cash grant received for 24/25 there was approx. £1,800 left. The view was to spend this by end of March 2025 so that further grants need not be applied for in 2025/26. In fact, nearly all the £18,000 grant is needed. Much work has already been done in March 2025, and invoices will be raised accordingly.	Anant
7.	Planning Applications An objection had been filed on behalf of the Forum against an HMO application in Park Road; this was successful. An Update to Forum members had been circulated on this matter. There is a revised/ retrospective to works done planning application in Rushlake Close which also appears to an HMO, which will again be objected.	
8.	Sian Berry S106/CIL money Update We need to pursue the further meeting with Sian Berry on s106/CIL money; it had gone very quiet and it seemed their offices were often shut. The Residents Association, per their Chair Deborah Yuill, are happy for CNPF to take the lead on these s106/CIL money matters.	Patrick
9.	AOB <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coldean Community Org are inviting us to a second 4-way group meeting on Site 21a matters. Site 21a is in fact owned by the University of Brighton who are short of cash atm. Coldean Community Org may propose some new actions in relation to Site 21a, as they believe something may be imminent regarding that Site. 	
	Meeting closed 2pm	