

57th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of BVRA
held on Thursday 20th May 2004 at 8.00 p.m.

The following is a summary of the minutes of the above meeting:-

1. The chairman, Peter McLaren, welcomed members and guests to the meeting including Borough Councillor Dr Lyn Hack and Roger Stamp, our County Councillors Angela Fraser and Diana Bowes. Apologies for absence were received from Shirley Conacher and Councillor Brian Cowle.
2. Our guest speakers, Ms Lorraine Clifton (CE of Epsom and St Helier University Hospitals NHS Trust) and Alan Kennedy (E. Elmbridge Mid Surrey Primary Care Trust) gave a comprehensive explanation of proposals for the re-organisation of health care and dealt with a range of questions from the floor. A vote of thanks to Ms Clifton and Alan Kennedy was recorded
3. The minutes of the 56th Annual General Meeting held on 22nd May 2003, distributed to members at the meeting, were agreed and signed by the chairman.
4. The chairman presented a brief report on the Association's activities for the year 2003/2004. This was adopted unanimously.
5. The Treasurer's annual accounts, duly audited and distributed with the May 2004 NewsSheet were agreed and adopted unanimously.
6. Election of Officers (Hon Secretary and Treasurer), Committee Members and Hon. Auditor for 2004/2005 was formally conducted by the Chairman. The following were duly proposed, seconded and elected to serve:-

Hon. Secretary Mr John Nicholson;

Hon Treasurer Mr Peter McLaren;

Committee members: Mesdames Susan Baldwin, Shirley Conacher Sally Hull and Marjorie Reeves; Messrs Tony Ford, David Gradidge, Andy Gray Gerry Levy, David Rudd, Michael Sawyer, Graham Ward and Dennis Woolmer;

Business Representative: Ron Phillips;

Hon. Auditor Richard Bowes.

(No volunteers came forward to fill the remaining vacancies)

7. There followed an open forum debate of local issues raised by members with our County and Borough Councillors. Among the issues discussed were:
 - State of The Horseshoe, Buff Avenue and Winkworth Road (potholes);
 - Enforcement of standards of work (council contractors);
 - History Centre associated with Library;
 - Future of Pound Road shop;
 - Erection of barriers along A217;
 - Loan of motor scooters to youngsters to get to work;
 - Computers for schools;
 - Monitoring of speeding;
 - Taxi voucher scheme for people in isolated areas;
 - South East England Regional Assembly - the South East Plan;
 - Consultation process;
 - Use of green belt - development including waste disposal;
 - Targets for housing (including affordable homes) up to 2026;
 - Provision of infrastructure;
8. There being no further business, the chairman thanked members for their attendance and continued support and declared the meeting closed at 10.25 p.m.