SLEEPERS HILL ASSOCIATION - HALF YEAR REPORT - APRIL 2010

SUMMER PARTY SUNDAY 20th JUNE 12.30pm – 2.30pm. This year's Summer Party is kindly being hosted by Steve and Bish Osborne in their garden at Manor Cottage. The Party for all members of the family will take place between 12.30 and 2.30 pm. The Osborne's will be cooking Pizzas in their outdoor oven and if anyone has any spare wood/pallets, please contact Steve who can collect. As before, please bring with you a savoury or sweet dish to share, suitable for a finger buffet, and something to drink. Limited parking is available. It will be a great help if members would let the Osbornes know the numbers attending and the type of food they propose to bring. Please email bishosborne@gmail.com.

SNOW ON THE HILL. Many thanks to all those who helped clear the Hill of snow during the worst winter for very many years. The Committee has reviewed the arrangements and stocks of grit are held by various frontagers along the Hill. A new grit bin has been placed at the junction of the Hill with George Eyston Drive and a total of 80 x 25kg bags of road grit were purchased, which also has enabled reserves to be replenished to previous levels.

ROAD MAINTENANCE. The road surface stood up reasonably well to the harsh winter and only two pot holes required filling. The entire length of the Hill will need a tar and chipping dressing as soon as funds permit, hopefully in 2011. It was last resurfaced approximately 16 years ago.

SPEEDING ON THE HILL. The Council have installed two speed monitoring signs for a limited period which flash a warning if vehicles exceed 30mph. At the end of the review period we will be provided with information of the number of vehicles which caused the sign to flash.

HIGHCROFT DEVELOPMENT. Barratts started work in September 2009 on the construction of sixty four x 1 and 2 bedroom apartments twenty x 3storey townhouses and three x 3 bedroom houses. We are advised that completion is due by February 2011.

SHA WEBSITE. Work is underway to create a website which will contain useful information for SHA residents and items of interest. We are grateful to John Stanning in assisting with this project. More information on this will be circulated in due course.

TREES AND HEDGES. Frontagers are requested to trim any trees and hedges which obstruct the footpaths or affect the street lighting.

SHA COMMITTEE MEETINGS. The Committee normally meets four times a year and the next meetings are scheduled for 28 July and 29 September 2010. If you wish the Committee to consider a particular issue, please brief your area representative in advance of the meeting.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. This year's AGM will be held on Sunday 1 November at 12 noon in the John Stripe Theatre complex at the University of Winchester and the usual papers will be circulated in advance. We are also grateful to Steve and Bish Osborne for organising the refreshments at the 2009 AGM

Paul Barlow

Chairman