

Faversham Lakes Residents Association (RA)

Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 6th January 2026 from 6pm at The Guild Hall, Faversham, Kent

Faversham Lakes Residents Association Committee during 2025

- Jacqui Chart – Chair
- Linda Thomas - Vice Chair
- Dean Ogden – Secretary – Apologies unable to attend due to holiday
- Liam Waters – Treasurer
- Trevor Abram – Country Park Development

Invited Guests

- Tim Chilvers – Andersons – sends apologies
- John Gleeson – WKHA – Head of Communities – sends apologies
- Richard Dowling – WKHA – Community Development Manager
- Alex Eyre – Our Local Counsellor

AGENDA running order

- Opening welcome and introduction of guests
- Aiming for a 6.45pm close
- The purpose of the Residents Association
- Resident Association activities throughout 2025 and Future Opportunities.
- Anderson Statement Update
- Voting in the Chair position

Purpose of the Residents Association

A completely independent non-political group established to:

- Enhance Faversham Lakes including housing, environment, facilities, community spirit and services for all residents in an inclusive and harmonious environment.
- Represent and support the interests of the area's residents, address any issues affecting Faversham Lakes, and present the collective views of the community following active consultation with residents.
- We are committed to supporting all residents, which we do solely on voluntary nonpolitical basis. We do not seek reward, praise or recognition, just appreciation for the behind the scenes work we continue to do on your behalf, maintaining a strictly advisory capacity in conjunction with Andersons and other community partners.

RA activities throughout 2025

- Jacqui Chart, Chair continues to maintain a good relationship with Andersons and WKHA on behalf of all residents. This also includes leading the committee; confidentially supporting individual residents on personal matters relating to the estate and their concerns; responding to email queries; central point of contact for estates management and reporting; meeting residents face to face/walking the estate; community and neighbour engagement.

- Linda Thomas, Vice Chair, continues to support the Chair and other Committee members, leaflet creation and hand delivery to all households throughout the estate, walking the estate and meeting residents to ensure community engagement and relationship building.
- Dean Ogden, Secretary, leads on technology, website development and maintenance, online meetings and coordination of proxy votes which took around 8 hours work.
- Liam Waters, Treasurer, supports the committee and instrumental on opening the community bank account and accounting management.

As a committee

- Regular reports and updates from Anderson for estates management (published on the website)
- Faversham Lakes Website launched in 2025 (personally funded by the committee)
- Virtual meetings launched in 2025 (personally funded by the committee). Please note resident attendance has been poor despite popular request as last year's AGM for this facility.
- Community bank account opened end of December 2025.
- Speeding Signs
- Parking Issues
- Street lighting
- Christmas Event personally funded by Jacqui pending donation receipt from Andersons now the bank account is opened. Thank you to WKHA for £50 Sainsbury voucher, JSP Building Services, Faversham Coral Society and Friends for the beautiful carol singing, Revend Dan for the GEM Van and Emily in Tramway for the craft stall and Father Christmas. The event was very well attended approximately 60 residents in attendance.

Futures Opportunities

- Social interests and Groups – i.e. coffee mornings, walking, cycling, dog walking, keep fit, quiz nights, charity contributions.
- Events – WKHA have agreed to support the RA Easter Event

Statement on behalf of Anderson - Tim Chilvers

I am sorry not to be with residents tonight, as it is always nice to see some familiar faces – and also to meet with recent movers to Faversham Lakes.

We continue to make steady progress with the remaining phase of the development. Residents' continued patience with the disruption of building works is appreciated.

If the housing market picks up, we would hope to complete Phase 2 by the summer, and look to make a start on Phase 3 in the second half of the year.

We are working with the Residents' Association on plans for a phased opening of the listed building area, with our collective and immediate focus on a new Community Café.

We hope that residents are pleased overall with the management of the estate this year. Since January 2025, we have been delivering the day-to-day upkeep of Faversham Lakes through 'Anderson Estates Management', which was created at the bequest of the Residents' Association to avoid

services being delivered via a third-party agent. Our primary goal has been to provide value for residents' money.

In large part, this is done through our full-time groundsman, Gary, who many of you will have either met or at least seen. Since around this time last year, Gary has single handedly done as follows – all in pursuit of sustaining Faversham Lakes as the place to live:

- *Clocked up 1,752 hours working*
- *Average 15,000 steps per day (or 3,285,000 per year) – imagine if he did not have his golf buggy!*
- *2.6miles walked lawn mowing a week – (this is in addition to the ride on mower cut)*
- *Mowed on average 140 swales a month*
- *2 black bags of litter collected a day on average – 438 bags per year*
- *Approximately 100kg of dog waste emptied from the bins every 5-days – equivalent to 4.38 Tonnes of dog waste per year*
- *A 12-yard Skip of grass cuttings is generated every 3 days = 1,040 cubic yards or 795m³ per year (in addition to mulched cuttings). That is the equivalent volume of 4 double decker buses.*

In view of this....we would ask for residents' continued assistance to make 'your' groundsman's job easier, through the basics of not littering, and perhaps even helping out where you can on the upkeep of landscaped areas adjacent to your properties.

It is a poor example at this time of year, but watering nearby trees during especially hot periods is something that makes a huge difference.

On that topic, we are about to re-plant a number of trees adjacent to Evetts Drive and, through our collective efforts, we can ensure that trees across the estate flourish into maturity.

In closing this short statement, I should like to say a sincere thank you to the Residents' Association. Jacqui and the wider Executive Committee have worked tirelessly throughout 2025 to advocate for Faversham Lakes and to bring this new community together. On behalf of Anderson, we look forward to an equally successful 2026 working with your representatives.

Voting in the Committee for 2026

- Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and Country Park Development not contested. The current holders have kindly consented to continue their great voluntary work to support the community.
- The Community Liaison position is vacant following Rob Crayford's resignation in April 2025 – if anyone is interested in this position, please let us know.
- The Chair position is the only position being contested and voted upon

