

**MINUTES OF THE STRAWBERRY HILL RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION**  
**COMMITTEE, HELD ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

<b><u>PRESENT</u></b>	Bruce Duff	Teresa Read
	John Naish	John Armstrong
	Charles Owens	Mike Allsop
	Clare Phelps	Councillor David Marlow

Bruce chaired the meeting.

1. **Apologies** Pam Crisp Eugene Bacot  
 Robert Youngs

2. **The minutes of the last meeting**, on June 20<sup>th</sup> 2011, were agreed, with minor changes. Under no 11, the SMUC report, line 9 reads mid January, and line 16, reads Prof Fisher. The minutes were then signed.

3. **Matters arising** – there were no matters arising.

4. **Treasurers report** – John Naish

**Deposit Account:**

Balance at time of last meeting June 20 <sup>th</sup> , 2011.	£3,734.92
Interest received	1.30
Balance today	<b>£3,736.22</b>

**Current Account**

Balance at time of the last meeting June 20 <sup>th</sup> , 2011	£2,720.93
Add income	
Music Day at Strawberry Hill	433.75
Subs and donations	243.00
Advertising* - to be invoiced	0.00
Book sales	115.00
LBRUT	120
	Total
	<b>911.75</b>
Deduct expenditure	
Printing	498
Music Day	160.38
Windsor Lines	12.00
	Total
	<b>670.38</b>
Net cash increase / (decrease)	241.37

Balance today **£2,962.30**

John said that he was transferring £1,300 from the current account to the deposit account. He also said that the adverts for the last bulletin had not been paid – he had been unsuccessful in contacting Eugene to find out if advertisers had been charged. John left the meeting

**Ken Smith**, a member of the Rotary Club, was introduced to the meeting. Ken showed plans of a proposed sign that the Rotary Club would like to put up on the corner of the unmade track to the golf club, made in metal and enamel, which would highlight the golf club, and rotary club meetings there. Planning permission was not needed, but he sought the approval of SHRA. There was a discussion about it, and it was decided to let him know our decision later. Ken Smith left the meeting.

5. **Parking – feedback from last meeting** - David Marlow said that he had had some response from the council on the parking issues raised at the last meeting.

1. Short term parking places being placed outside Strawberry Hill station – this was a possibility. 2. A suggestion to widen Popes Avenue at the Strawberry Hill station end to allow more parking, was rejected on cost grounds. 3. Potholes in Walpole Gardens and Popes Avenue have been inspected, and will be added to the list of repairs. 4. Plans to redo road markings in Spencer Road, Popes Avenue, and Wellesley Parade, where there has been re-surfacing, will be carried out by the Council contractors.

6. **Planning update** – Mike said that only minor planning applications of no concern have been made. But he has been reading and interpreting the new Localism Bill, which he feels may involve SHRA in the future. He said that the guidelines on building regulations have been very much reduced and simplified, removing bureaucracy, and giving local associations and forums more voice. Mike felt that SHRA should submit some response, (which has to be in by mid October). After some discussion, it was decided that Mike and Robert should respond, and that other committee members should meet with them before the response is sent.

7. **SMUC liason group** - Mike said that there had been no meeting since the last committee meeting. But he had met with the architects of the new sports hall, to ensure that minor aspects of the planning conditions had been completed, and they had. There was a discussion on the issue of college parking.

8. **SHRA rejoining the Community and Police Partnership** - Charles said that SHRA has now re-registered with both the borough wide CPP, and south Twickenham ward local Police Liason Group, which he chairs. Fortunately the crime figures in south Twickenham are very low. Sgt Nadal is moving, and the SNT is awaiting a new sergeant, who will cover both South and West Twickenham wards.

9. **Result of questionnaire to residents on the Christmas event** – was virtually non-existent – only 5 out of 2,300 households. There was a discussion as to whether we continue with the event this year, with mixed opinions. Clare reiterated that she would not be involved in any way. It was decided to defer a decision about the event until the meeting in November.

10 **Committee meeting dates for early 2012** - Clare suggested the following dates up until the AGM next year

Committee meeting	Monday January 16 <sup>th</sup>	2012
	Monday March 12 <sup>th</sup>	2012
AGM	Monday April 23 <sup>rd</sup>	2012

These dates were agreed.

11. **Any other business** – it was agreed that we should not oppose the proposed golf club rotary club sign, but that it should be half the size as planned. Approximately 500cm x600cm. Bruce said he would let Ken Smith know our decision.

Clare told the meeting that some weeks ago, she had been sent an abusive postcard about a member of the committee, and the police, addressed to SHRA from Martin Hewstone, a resident living within the SHRA boundary. With agreement from other members of the committee, she had contacted the police officers on the SNT. They advised that SHRA should reply, objecting to his unacceptable behaviour. Bruce and Robert wrote to Mr Hewstone. There was a discussion about this issue, which is difficult to resolve, but members should be aware of the situation.

The meeting closed at 9.10pm.

**Date of next meeting – Monday November 7<sup>th</sup>,2011**