

MINUTES OF THE STRAWBERRY HILL RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE
MEETING, HELD ON MONDAY, 8 JULY 2013

PRESENT

Bruce Duff	Pam Crisp
Cathy Bird	Peter Lamb
Eugene Bacot	Robert Youngs
Mike Allsop	Lyndon Laws
Cllr Marlow	

Also attending: Gareth Bubbins, Carol Britton

1. Apologies: Teresa Read, Jackie Rowley, John Naish, Charles Owens, Julia Fiehn

2. Update on Kinnear House: Bruce welcomed everyone and then introduced Gareth who is a volunteer fundraiser and Carol, a manager, from Kinnear House. Gareth thanked the Committee for donating the collection taken at the SHRA Christmas event and for the Association's support over a number of years. Carol talked about how the house was set up by Carmel Kinnear, in memory of her husband Roy, to accommodate their daughter and other residents with significant difficulties. Both support and nursing are available. Gareth explained how the residents enjoy life despite their handicaps. Funds for basic care needs come from their home local authority while funds are raised, and volunteers sought, for things that improve the quality of life for residents. Gardening, befriending and help with outings are examples of the things that volunteers do. Money raised is used to purchase items like ipads, provide a 'space magic' room and provide funds for trips and holidays. Eugene will contact Gareth about a piece for the Bulletin. Gareth and Carol then answered a number of questions from the Committee before leaving the meeting.

3. Minutes of the last meeting: held on 11 March 2013. Mike asked for some changes to the wording of item 8. Once these are made Bruce will sign a copy.

4. Matters arising: None

5. Treasurers report: John Naish has resigned as Treasurer as he is moving out of the area. Cathy has offered to take over from John. This was proposed by Bruce and seconded by Pam. All voted in favour.

Following a handover meeting with John, Cathy presented the accounts.

Treasurer's Report: 8th July 2013

Deposit Account:

Balance at the time of the last meeting on 22 nd January 2013	£6,541.40
Interest received	1.13
Balance today	<u>£6,542.53</u>

Current Account:

Balance at the time of the last meeting on 22 nd January 2013	£1,351.33
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Add income:

Subs and donations	490.00
Advertising	618.80
Book sales	117.00
Events	nil
LBRUT	500.00

Total £1,725.80

Deduct expenditure:

Printing	532.00
AGM expenditure	243.45
Donations	200.00
Membership of London Forum	19.00
Membership of Windsor Line	12.00

Total (£1,006.45)

Net cash increase / (decrease) £719.35

Balance today £2,070.68

Cathy suggested that as we have funds in excess of £8,000 we should plan to spend some. It was agreed that we get a quote for a new notice board and for re-planting of the existing planters.

6. Committee roles and responsibilities: Peter agreed to become Vice-chair. Lyndon will take over monitoring of the re-cycling site, Robert will look after the notice board and Mike and Peter will take over Bulletin distribution. Pam will continue with advertising sales and admin and will get quotes for the notice board and planters.

7. Bulletin 152: This will include a Village Plan update and information on Strawberry Hill House and the Music & Fun day. Lyndon suggested we include an article about the opening of the new centre at St James church. The Strawberry Hill wine offer will be included and it was suggested that we invite the company to the next AGM. Robert said that as the Bulletin was behind schedule we should aim to get it out as soon as possible. He said a history of the station would be included, as would an article about traffic and parking in the area.

8. Planning: Mike said that there has not been a lot of activity. Radnor House School and MKG plans are still under consideration. The 8 Waldegrave Gardens plan has been refused. A new application has been posted for alterations to the roof at 1 – 12 Wigley Lane. Mike has drafted a letter in support of residents' objections to this plan.

9. SMUC liaison: Peter has joined the liaison group. A meeting was held on 31 May. Issues included the meadow grass planting which has not been done well. Annual seeds have now

been sown. A new planting plan has been provided and approval for this is being sought. The firm that planted the Crane Park meadow will be used.

A couple of student discipline issues have arisen, with one incident in Waldegrave Gardens. Two of the notice boards behind the railings have now been removed. Three remain and it is hoped that this will eventually be reduced to one. The next meeting will be held in October.

10. Community and Police Partnership: No issues were reported.

11. Traffic and parking: Robert questioned whether the latest road re-surfacing efforts were any better than the previous ones. Cllr Marlow said that there were issues with the pavement on Pope's Avenue as it is narrow and has a steep camber. It has been suggested that the road should be made one-way with a wider pavement. A 20 mph speed limit for the local area has also been suggested.

12. Any other business: Friends of Radnor Gardens request for contribution: It was agreed that, in line with our constitution, we were unable to make any payment. Pam will let Clare Head know.

Strawberry Hill Music & Fun Day: Pam will contact Teresa about the date for next year's Music & Fun day in the hope that we can organise a stall.

Robert reminded everyone that it was the 50th Anniversary of the Association in February 2015.

13. Date of next meeting: Monday 2nd September.

The meeting closed at 9:25pm