

MINUTES OF THE STRAWBERRY HILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE
MEETING, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 12 NOVEMBER 2014

PRESENT

Robert Youngs
Peter Lamb
Bruce Duff

Pam Crisp
Julia Fiehn
Cllr Marlow

1. Apologies for absence: Mike Allsop, Cathy Bird, Charles Owens, Teresa Read, Lyndon Law, Cllr Porter

2. Minutes of the last meeting: held on 3 September 2014 were agreed and Bruce signed a copy.

3. Matters arising: None

4. Treasurers report:

Deposit Account:

Balance at the time of the last meeting on 3rd September £6,548.26

Balance today **£6,549.42**

Current Account:

Balance at the time of the last meeting on 3rd September £1,700.34

Add income:

Subscriptions	55.00
Books	150.00
Advertising	50.00

Total income £255.00

Deduct expenditure:

Insurance	258.00
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Total expenditure (£258.00)

Net cash increase / (decrease) (£3.00)

Balance today

£1,697.34

Cathy sent the report via email and said that yet another attempt has been made to set up a Direct Debit on the account. This was stopped by the bank and they are continuing to monitor the situation. Cathy is also going to set up on-line access to the account as this will allow her to look at the balance more frequently.

5. Bulletin 156: Robert was thanked for his work on this. There isn't enough room for Peter's piece on Marcia Hughes the artist. This will be held over for the next issue. The Ice Rink article will be updated following the planning meeting. An appeal for volunteers for the committee will be included. Robert confirmed that he will do the next Bulletin but that will be his last. He and Peter have ideas for the SHRA Golden Jubilee feature.

6. Bulletin advertising: Julia is concerned that there could be a 'competition' for advertisers with the TW Mag.

7. Planning: The current position on the significant planning applications is as follows: (sent by Mike via email)

1. 50 Waldegrave Park --- the appeal against the rejection of the application to demolish the 1930's house and erect two detached properties where we supported local residents in their opposition has been dismissed on the grounds of inadequate parking provision. A revised plan for a pair of semi-detached properties with garages and off street parking which was the suggestion of some residents, supported by SHRA, has now been submitted. The design looks to be in sympathy with the street.

2. 159 Heath Road --- the application remains under review.

3. 47 Strawberry Vale --- the revised application reported at the last two meetings for demolition of an undistinguished 1950's house and erection of a house of modern design is still under consideration.

4. The Wigley application where we wrote in support of residents' objections was rejected this week, but as yet there is no detail on the website setting out the reasons.

5. The Ice rink application goes before the planning committee on 12 November.

Cllr Marlow said that the Golf Club has been in discussion with the council over rent. The council has offered a reduction and the Club will no longer be responsible for the cadet hut.

8. SMU liaison: Peter said that St Mary's are keen to build links with the local community. The Police and Fire Brigade now have input into the student induction programme. No major complaints have been made recently. Street patrols on Wednesdays and Fridays are starting earlier and they are building a regular team. A number of minor crimes have been reported in the area but there has been a reduction in anti-social behaviour reports compared with last year.

9. Community and Police partnership: Charles had nothing to report.

10. Christmas event: Julia said that Helen Astrid was delighted to be involved. Bruce has invited the Mayor Cllr Burton. Peter will liaise with Mike over organising the road closure. Julia and Peter will put up notices. Charles has requested permission for the collection. Bruce will buy the mince pies and make the mulled wine. Julia will buy the children's drinks and snacks. Pam will ask everyone to help on the night.

11. St Mary's community festival 6 December 2014: Bruce has received an invite from SMUC for our involvement in the festival but has responded saying that we do not want to be involved.

12. SHRA 50th Anniversary: Charles will contact Steve Clarke to get a quote for the sundial. Clare Head for Radnor Gardens is in favour of the plan and will suggest a place in the garden. Bruce will find out if local actress Samantha Bond will be present at the event. Organisation of the event will be on the agenda for the next meeting.

13. Any other business: Cllr Marlow said he had received correspondence from Arthur's regarding the refusal of a request to put a gazebo for a few hours. The committee was sympathetic but pointed out that Arthur's is out of the SHRA area. Julia asked if permission needed to be sought for the road closure for electricity repairs.

14. Date of next meeting: 22 January 2015

The meeting closed at 8:50pm