MINUTES OF THE STRAWBERRY HILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE

MEETING, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 20 SEPTEMBER 2017

PRESENT

David Cornwell Mike Allsop Julia Fiehn Teresa Read Charles Owens Pam Crisp Cathy Bird Claire Tomlins Lyndon Law Cllr Head

1. Apologies for absence: Peter Lamb, Cllr Marlow,

Declaration of interest: As previously declared.

2. Minutes of the last meeting: held on 12 July 2017 agreed with a couple of changes as suggested by Mike. Pam will circulate an amended copy as signed by David.

3. Matters arising: The sign outside the Golf Club will be erected in the near future.

4. Bulletin 165: David thanked Julia for her work on Bulletin 164 which has been well received. Julia circulated suggestions for copy for issue 165 which is due for publishing early in December. Articles should be sent to Julia by the end of October as she is then away for 2 weeks. Bulletins need to be with Mike by the end of November for distribution.

5. Bulletin advertising: Julia confirmed that 5 advertisers have paid and there are 4 more to be confirmed. We could still have a couple more.

6. St Mary's University development plans: Mike said that hearings regarding the local plan will start next week. On Thursday 28 September the St Mary's campus will be discussed. Mike and David will attend and Mike will speak at the hearing.

The St. Mary's summer newsletter published in August had limited circulation and no information about the proposed development.

7. SHRA events September and Christmas: The September drinks event at Radnor Gardens was too far from the publishing date of the bulletin. If we do this again it needs to be earlier in the year. A date in July was suggested for 2018.

Sunday 17 December at 3pm for 3:30 start was proposed for carol singing at Radnor Gardens. A Christmas tree will be put up in Wellesley Parade as in previous years.

8. Village planning fund: Pam will contact Siobhan to confirm details of the next phase of funding.

9. Planning: The certificate of lawful use for educational purposes for 11 Waldegrave Park, the former pre-prep school of Newland House has been agreed despite opposition from residents. Mike commented that CPZ changes in Teddington are having an impact on parking for residents in Strawberry Hill particularly at school drop off and pick up times.

10. SMU liaison group: Mike is continuing in his efforts to set up a meeting.

11. Safer neighbourhoods: Charles said that the Police were consulting on the closure of stations at Teddington and Richmond Sovereign Gate. Twickenham will remain open. Having attended a meeting with the Met Police commissioner and the deputy responsible for communities, Charles said they were facing difficult challenges regarding budget and stress levels. Crime levels in our area have increased but it is mainly theft of bicycles from sheds.

12. Treasurers report: From Cathy

Deposit Account: Balance at the time of the last meeting on 12 July 2017 Transfer to current account Balance today	£5,558.80 £1,000.00 <u>£4,559.83</u>
Current Account: Balance at the time of the last meeting on 12 July 2017	£660.43
Add income:	
Subscriptions & donations Advertising Transfer from deposit	£538.00 £460.00 £1000.00
Total income	£1998.00
Deduct expenditure:	
Stag Printing	£763.00
Total expenditure	£763.00
Net cash increase / (decrease)	£1235.00

Balance today

£1895.43

Cathy said that £1,000 has been transferred for the deposit account. Subscriptions have doubled following the article in the bulletin. Estimates for printing costs confirm that Stag printing are competitive.

Cllr Head joined the meeting at 7:35pm. Referring to **Item 8** on the agenda she said that plans have been submitted for a permanent shelter at the cafe in Radnor Gardens and a £20,000 bid has been made to the Village Fund.

The annual Friends of Radnor Gardens quiz will be held on 23 October at 7:30 at the Emanuel centre

Item 9: Cllr Head drew the committee's attention to a new planning protocol that will be introduced following approval at the council meeting on 12 September. Mike will look into this. **Item 6**: She updated members on a meeting with a group of residents also attended by Paul Chadwick, Cllr Fleming and Andrea Kitzburger Smith. Discussing the proposed development at

St Mary's university, it was noted that student numbers had fallen and on-site accommodation was now being offered to 2nd years. Other student accommodation is empty meaning the need for further expansion of facilities is questionable.

13. Any other business: A working group to clear the garden area behind the planter will meet on Sunday 1st October at 10:30am.

Teresa will be going to the Environmental Groups Reception at York House on 27 September and will report back to SHRA.

14. Date of next meeting: Monday 6 November 2017 at 6:30pm.

The meeting closed at 8:05pm