MINUTES OF THE STRAWBERRY HILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE

MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, 2 MARCH 2022

PRESENT: David Cornwell, Andrew Miller, Pam Crisp, Mike Allsop, Richard Hudspith, Sharon Willoughby.

1. Apologies for absence and declarations of interest: June Collins, Louisa Carradine, Zoe Prindiville, Peter Lamb, Sam Kamleh, Siobhan Oktay. Sharon is now a trustee of Habitats and Heritage.

2. Minutes of the last meeting: agreed with some minor amendments to item 9. David will sign a copy.

3. Matters arising: None

4. Treasurer's Report, 2nd March, 2022

(Statement 307)

* Deposit Account: Balance at the time of the last meeting on 19th January, 2022	£0.00
*Current Account: Balance at the time of the last meeting on 19th January, 2022	£5,578.59
Add income:	
Subscriptions & donations Bank transfer	£60.00 £ 0.01
Total income	£60.01
Deduct Expenditure: CWCS Digital certificate (website) London Forum Bank charges	£47.98 £19.00 9.51
Total expenditure	£76.49
Net cash increase / (decrease)	(£16.48)
* Balance today	£5562.11
*17th February £4,000 moved from current account to Deposit Account On opening of NatWest Account	
Current Account Balance: Deposit Account Balance:	£1,562.11 £4,000.00

Subscriptions/Donations Breakdown

(Received since Statement number 305 upon which last report based.)

14th January - £20.00

17th January - £5.00

27th January - £5.00 £10.00 £20.00

*Monies moved from Deposit account in readiness for opening of new bank account

Report from June via email:

Monies have been successfully switched to our NatWest account and it is now up and running. I have cheque book/paying in book and access to their communities online banking facility which seems very efficient. Any payment needs to be authorised online by myself and Pam similar to in the past where any payment has to be authorised by two signatories. We have successfully authorised our first payment and transferred £4,000 from the current account into the NatWest Deposit Account. Am quite impressed so far with NatWest – everything happened when they said it would and very efficiently. There has been a lot of coverage in the press about HSBC and community organisations, specifically, about the fact that they are now charging and it is quite difficult to move to an account which doesn't charge fees. I think we got in just in time.

I am notifying all people paying by standing order of the change of bank and sending them a new STO form.

June also circulated copies of the annual accounts in preparation for the AGM. These were agreed by the committee

David thanked June for her persistence in pursuing a new banking provider and acknowledged that this was quite an onerous task.

5. SMU update: Peter and David have met with the vice-chancellor and the person in charge of the estate. Peter will circulate his notes from the meeting.

6. Planning: Mike said there was still nothing on the council website regarding the appeal against the refusal of the Waldegrave Gardens retrospective application. A retrospective application has been posted for a Field End property that fronts onto Waldegrave Park. It concerns variations from the approved plan which the Field End Residents Association object to.

7. Environmental Policy update: Sharon proposed Saturday 23 April from 11 – 1pm at Wellesley Parade for the SHRA plant swap. She will prepare information for the website etc. The planter still needs repainting. All the existing plants will then be removed and new plants put in. She has replanted the baskets outside the chemist but they need to be watered regularly.

Louisa has reported the unlocked can/bottle bin and said there is no further progress with the plans for the site.

8. AGM 27 April: It was agreed that the Golf Club was the preferred venue and Pam will contact them about the date. As we could not guarantee attendance, members agreed to an 'in house' talk about the area in preference to inviting an external speaker.

9. Flyer: Committee members agreed that we need to keep this as short and clear as possible and ideally use recycled paper. Costs will be in the region of $\pounds 50 - \pounds 60$. Pam and Zoe will finalise the design and committee members will distribute based on the Bulletin distribution list.

10: Bulletin 176: Andy asked for comments on the circulated draft to be sent to him by Friday 4 March. He will include an Environmental page which Sharon will write.

11. Any other business: David said that he, Andy, Mike Cherry and Robert Youngs had started work on the revised History book. Andy suggested we share publicity of the Prosperity Café's collection for Ukraine. Mike drew members attention to the proposal by local sports groups to purchase the Udney Park site in Teddington. David said this would be his last meeting as he would be retiring from the committee at the AGM.

12. Date of next meeting: AGM 27 April, 6 July 2022

The meeting closed at 7:50 pm