

MINUTES OF THE STRAWBERRY HILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE

MEETING, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 22 JANUARY 2020

PRESENT: David Cornwell, Andrew Miller, Mike Allsop, Pam Crisp, Cathy Bird, Julia Fiehn, Peter Lamb, Sam Kamleh, Siobhan Oktay, Cllr Mike Butlin, Teresa Read

1. Apologies for absence: June Collins, Cllr Richard Bennett

2. Minutes of the last meeting: agreed following a change from Waldegrave Road to Waldegrave Park in point 4. David signed a copy.

3. Matters arising: David thanked Julia and congratulated her on the success of Bulletin 171. Cllr Butlin confirmed that the proposal for alterations to Ward boundaries will proceed with some very minor changes following consultation.

4. SMU liaison group: David noted that Anthony McClaran has been appointed as the new Vice-Chancellor.

Mike said that the only meeting had been an informal one following complaints about noise. Some additional measures were agreed including putting a camera in the car park of one of the residential buildings and increasing patrols when complaints are received. David will arrange to meet the new Vice-Chancellor in due course.

5. Councillors' update: Cllr Butlin said that an order has not been raised for a replacement fence at the re-cycling site on Pope's Avenue. There are still issues with fly tipping on the Strawberry Hill footpath. A unauthorised bin has been placed there. Cllr Butlin is following this up.

Cllr Butlin said a resident had contacted him regarding noise from a party at Strawberry Hill House. Pam and David will follow this up with the House.

6. Christmas event and AGM: The Christmas event was a success. Next year it was agreed that committee members will heat the wine. £138 was collected in donations. Andy proposed thanks to Pam for coordinating arrangements.

Cathy will ask the Golf Club if we can hold the AGM on 22 April. Paul Kafka new chair of the Strawberry Hill Trust will be invited to talk to residents. David stressed the need for additional committee members and asked the committee to consider approaching people who may be suitable.

7. Planning: Mike Allsop said the revised application for a large extension at 29 Pope's Grove has been approved. The appeal by St Catherine's school regarding installation of an all-weather playing field surface has been dismissed. Mike has read the supplementary planning documents and said there is nothing significant in them. He noted a tightening of regulations regarding parking in front gardens.

8. Bulletin 172: Julia circulated a list of suggested articles and asked members to offer help with writing them.

It was agreed that an article and picture about fly-tipping would be included.

9. Bulletin advertising: Julia said we still have the same five advertisers.

Signed

Date

10: Treasurer's report: 22 January 2020

(Statement 277, 12 January 2020)

Deposit Account:

Balance at the time of the last meeting on 6 November 2019	£4,572.05
Balance today	£4,574.33

Current Account:

Balance at the time of the last meeting on 6 November 2019	£1543,68
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Add income:

Subscriptions & donations	£342.00
Advertising	£540,00
Carol singing	£137.63

Total income **£1019.63**

Deduct expenditure:

Christmas tree	£500.00
Carol singing refreshments	£56.00
Stag Print	£848.00
SGRA AGM	£138.75
Insurance	£282.00
Bruce Duff flowers	£45.00

Total expenditure **£1869,75**

Net cash increase / (decrease) **(£850.12)**

Balance today **£693,56**

Cathy circulated the draft annual accounts (attached) and said that these would now be sent to John Naish for checking prior to the AGM. She highlighted the significant drop in subscription income year on year. David will write something for the next bulletin to raise awareness. Cathy also circulated the treasurer's report.

11. Any other business: The graffiti on the notice board has been removed successfully by June, David and Pam.

Andy said that following a lengthy exchange on Next Door he believed that the café in Radnor Gardens should reopen in February. Cllr Butlin has written to officers about the contract but has not received a response. He and Siobhan Oktay will follow this up as they appreciate how frustrating it is for residents who want to use the café.

Signed

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Cllr Butlin said that as British Legion chair he was planning to hold an event in Radnor Gardens to celebrate Armed Forces Day on the weekend of 26/27 June.

Sam suggested a feature on people of Strawberry Hill starting with photographs of the shopkeepers to be posted on our social media platforms. She also suggested we look again at the Village Plan improvement proposals. Siobhan said the next round of funding would be in September. Sam will send copies of the proposed plan to Cllr Butlin.

Pam noted that Twickenham Police station will close on Friday for refurbishment. A 24hr counter service will be available at Teddington. We will circulate this on Twitter etc. She also pointed out that the government has announced a review of the South Western Railways franchise operation.

12. Date of next meeting: 4 March 2020

The meeting closed at 8:10 pm

Signed

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