

MINUTES

RESIDENTS' MEETING

Held on Tuesday 6 September 2016 at 7.30pm at the Cooperative Offices,
33 Henry Jackson Road

The meeting started at 7.35pm and was led by Catherine Desson, Chair.

1 - Present/Apologies

- Present
 - § Mike Biddick, Ani Chakrabarti, Catherine Desson, John Fooks, Doris Leaman, Sandra Osborn, Douglas Toy, Sarah Yetman, Elena Zanger, Nasser Hashemi
- Apologies
 - § Bernie Brennan (WBC), Sarah Ashwell, Leo Findlater, Julie Johnson, Ellie Rashbrook, Louise Thompson, Sandrine Tiller
- The meeting was quorate (nine required, nine in attendance)

2 - Minutes of last Committee Meeting - approval

- The minutes of the last Residents' Meeting (23 February 2016) were proposed for adoption by Mike Biddick and seconded by Elena Zanger
- The minutes were approved as a true record of the meeting. All members voted in favour

3 - Matters arising from previous minutes

- Item 5 – Planned improvement programme 2016
 - query re removal of old analogue TV aerials and wiring – it turns out that this could be a bigger and more expensive job than originally expected – Nasser is looking for solutions, including advice from WBC
 - painting of metal railings – now complete and has made a big difference

4 – Social Events

- Farwell/thank you get-together for Rachid Belilli
 - 1. **ACTION – John** – sound out Rachid to see what would work best for him
- Childrens' tea party – Julie Johnson looking to organise a tea party (using the office) for early December. Idea has been floated with Nasser and is supported
 - 1. **ACTION – Elena** – get in touch with Julie re next steps
- Pantomime at Wimbledon Theatre (Dick Whittington) - Elena Zanger is investigating options to purchase tickets as in previous years. Likely to be subsidised to the tune of 50% again. Feedback from residents indicates that early January could be a popular time

5 – Planned improvement programme 2016

- Nasser took attendees through the improvement programme for 2016 and signposted progress to date, along with forthcoming work.
- There were several specific observations/comments:
- First of all, new reporting format shows just how much is planned and being done
- Q2 – metallic fences all done
- Q2 – work on office ramp to start mid-September
- Q2 - relocation of recycling bins at John Keall House by phone box to inner estate rear of John Keall House – JK recycling bins now dismantled and moved. A positive response – not one incident of fly tipping since they moved a month ago. If this situation continues it could mean there is no longer a need to install railings (one to watch over the coming couple of months)

1. **ACTION – Nasser** – develop proper communications piece/plan once the new bins have been built – to include positive story re fly tipping, recent WBC advice note, advice re ‘washed’ rubbish, etc
- Q2 - new caretaker recruitment – has been advertised on Gumtree and with Job Centre Plus – plenty of interest – closing date next week – aiming to do interviews over the coming weeks with a view to getting the new caretaker to start in early October – standard six months probationary period will apply
- Q2 - grant application for ball park refurbishing – has been successful and will cover new fencing, hoops and rooftop netting
- Q3 Additional night vision CCTV cameras – locations confirmed as Biggs Row and Felsham House
- Q3 – installation of LED communal lighting – anticipated savings of 50-80% on electricity usage.
- Q3 – drain clearance for all blocks – scheduled to take place in different blocks in alternate years
- Q3 – new locks and keys to communal doors – investigating wholesale replacement options

6 - AOB

- Gardening
 - Autumn gardening session in the offing
 - § **ACTION – Catherine/Sarah** – fix date
 - Plan in place to replace those small trees on the estate that have died
 - Watering
 - § **ACTION – Nasser** – investigate purchase of ‘soft’ hose to help Elena Zanger with watering
 - § **ACTION – Nasser** – investigate possibility of installing water butts around the estate (to help with watering)
- Update on new fencing options – Nasser and Mike continue to investigate larch (40 year lifespan) fencing options (UK and well as eastern european provider). They have also taken advice from an expert on which type of product to consider (‘sawn’ rather than ‘prepared’ is considered best). Intention would be to tackle six to eight gardens per financial year, starting with those on the outside of the estate

The meeting closed at 8.15pm.