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NORTHWOOD HILLS RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION
MINUTES of the Committee Meeting (including Ward Police Panel) held
On WEDNESDAY 22nd February 2017

Present

Andrew Riley	Chairman
Tony Lane	President
Leo Mindel	Vice-Chairman
Maxine Goswell	Minutes Secretary
Trevor Dixon	Secretary
Herbert Levinger	Transport & Health
Graham Mann	Police Rep
Joan Butfield	Health & EHG
Andrew Retter	Committee member
Jane Clayfield	Committee member
Ted Adams	Resident
David Bishop	Resident

1. Apologies for Absence received from

Fiona Morgan, Alan Lester, Lynne Halse, Keith Blunden, Lesley Crowcroft, Jan Choopani, Jo Crockford, John Morgan & Duncan Flynn.

2. Minutes of Meeting held on 25th January 2017: agreed.

3. Matters Arising: (not tabled as Agenda Items):

If there is an action by your name, **PLEASE DO IT**. **Agreed that outstanding actions were not being completed, hence all remain below.**

Actions Outstanding Remaining:

Actions outstanding from previous meetings:	By:
Urged to bring one new person each to next meeting, or ask someone to come forward. (Nov 2015).	ALL
Provide annual schedule of Finance actions for each year. (Jan 2016).	FM
Provide annual schedule of actions for each committee role for the year to TD/MG. (Jan 2016). Post meeting note: MG confirmed GM still to provide.	ALL: not LC, TD & JB
Current members wanting to join the Facebook page email: maxine.goswell@tesco.net (Feb 16)	ALL

Ensure all Zones have a zone leader (Feb 16)) 2 remaining: A-roundabout/Hilliard Rd, C- Briarwood/Woodford	MG/TD
Meeting to review if Echo should be available on-line. (Mar 16)	AL
Council to erect posters advertising Smart water use: progress (Jun16)	JB/JM/DF
ARet agreed to be quartermaster	
Candidates for the position of Echo Advertising Editor to be considered (Sept 16)	ALL
Investigate Nextdoor Social Media website. (Sept 16)	MG/ARly
Leaflet required to target roads with Echo Magazines. (Oct 16)	GM/TD/MG
Bramble clearance on Colchester Road to be requested. (Oct 16)	JB/JM/DF
Help with reviewing and opposing planning applications. (Jan 17)	ALL
Provide update on Pinner Cottage Hospital site when available. (Jan 17)	ARly
Report on Pinner Road/Joel Street damaged pavement. (Jan 17)	JM
Progress provision of Rubbish bin outside the Post Office. (Jan 17)	DF
MM, ARly and councillors to progress dangerous parking/deliveries outside NISA. (Jan 17)	ARly
Confirm surface treatment outside station is still valid. (Jan 17)	DF

Actions outstanding from this meeting:	
Formal request to JM/JB/DF for an update on Regeneration issues outstanding since Oct 2014. Traffic survey at roundabout is ongoing. (Feb 17) Parking stress tests results to also be requested (Sept 16)	MG/LM/ARly
Assist ARly to chase Echo advertisers' outstanding payments. (Feb 17)	ALL
Request donation to Scout Centre appeal at the AGM (Feb 17)	ARly
Assess direct debit systems for other RA's. (Feb 17)	ARly
Post meeting: Fairfield AGM booking to be cancelled. (Feb 17)	TD
Arrange delivery date of the next Spring Echo to coincide with the Annual Supper/AGM. (Feb 17)	AL/TD
Consider a new candidate for Web Master. (Feb 17)	ALL
Raise rubbish outside NISA with JM. (Feb 17)	JC
Confirm if ongoing building works at Namaste Lounge are approved. (Feb 17) Post-meeting note: approved Jan '16.	JB/JM/DF
Provide old photos of the Scout hut, if available. (Feb 17)	ALL
Inform police of the large number of yellow caps off Butane canisters left as rubbish locally. (Feb 17) Post-meeting note: done.	ARly
Prepare a paper on Chamberlain Way traffic problems. (Feb 17)	TA

4. Chairman's Report:

The Chairman welcomed everyone particularly Ted Adams to his first meeting.

Since the last meeting he had, together with Lesley Crowcroft, reviewed a number of Planning Applications and where appropriate made comment to the Council, both

positive and negative. He attended a Hillingdon North Planning Committee Meeting with residents from Maycroft who were worried about a Planning Application. The application was approved. The Planning Application for the Case is Altered was also heard at this meeting but as the applicants had removed the plans to extend the kitchens all that was left to approve was the change of the inside layout of the listed building. Approved. Subsequently a Licensing application has been made regarding the garden bar.

He met with Nick Hurd to update him on the Scout Hut appeal and other local issues.

He also met with Police Inspector Paul Trice, Sgt Ben Phipps, Sgt Alicia Botha and Sgt Samantha Quinn at Ruislip Police Station to discuss local issues and initiatives. It was a productive meeting.

ARly reported that further access to LBH noticeboard at the station was expected to shortly become available, without charge.

He had a meeting with Northwood Football Club and was impressed with the recently completed refurbishment.

5. Ward Police Panel & Police Report:

Report on Pilot Scheme:

HL believed that the Police consider the Pilot Scheme to merge the Ward Panel into the Residents' Association has been a success. Under the circumstances, he therefore proposed to submit a resolution to Ward Panel members for the dissolution of the organisation in accordance with clause 11 of the constitution.

The majority of the NHRA committee present agreed they were happy for the amalgamation to proceed.

TD agreed to continue providing information to the Ward Panel members who had not attended since the merger but, by her request, to remove Karen Retter from the list.

ASB: The youngsters causing disruptions on Joel St do not seem to be from the local area. 6 of them are known to the Police and it is hoped that ASBO will be served to them in the near future. There have recently been many yellow caps off Butane canisters left as rubbish locally. **ARly** to ensure police know.

Burglary: Burglars in Highland Road recently had been disturbed early evening when the home owner returned. It is hoped that sufficient evidence will help apprehend them.

6. Planning and Environment:

A further application for an additional storey of (very small) flats above the Cartridge World parade of shops had been objected to by NHRA. The council officers are now starting to instruct the applicants of these types of repeated applications to withdraw.

The launch of the appeal to raise money for the **new Scout Centre** is taking place on 1st March at Fairfield. **LM/TD** to ensure invitations sent out to the committee. The Chairman asked if NHRA would consider contributing an amount to the fund and 1,000 pounds was agreed, to be taken to the **AGM** for approval. Any old photos of the hut or surrounding area would be very helpful. **ALL**

7. Regeneration:

The committee members present were aware that their frustration at the lack of progress was taken out on the Councillors present at the last meeting. It was agreed that an update from them on specific issues that have been raised month after month was to be requested in writing for an update at the next meeting. A formal update on the parking survey would also be requested. **MG/LM/ARly**

The formal process stated by the Council is that residents should request information initially from their Councillors, so this request can be escalated if they are not able to provide information.

8. Membership Growth:

The number of Road Stewards is declining. Direct debits and a monitoring system for them needs to be set up. Ascertain how this is working for Northwood and Eastcote RA's. **ARly**. There are not enough new, younger members, and without them there will never be enough committee members/volunteers.

Business members: it would be good to have the local businesses represented on the committee, but only if something additional to the Echo was offered would we then be able to charge a higher subscription.

9. Events:

Future events:

Annual Supper - Tuesday 7th March. **MG** to co-ordinate food. Please confirm contributions, as listed on Appendix attached. **ALL**

Clean up day - Saturday 8th April, 10-11.30am. NHRA/residents are not allowed by the Council to clear the ditch along the Long Meadow, due to H&S reasons. However, the Green Spaces team are due to be organizing this shortly.

AGM - Wednesday 24th May, Visit to the new Northwood School building to be arranged. Post meeting note: this has taken place and the date is now booked there as no cost involved. Fairfield booking to be cancelled. **TD**

Short presentations to be given:

Scout Hut Appeal: **LM**

Police report

Nick Hurd has indicated he will be attending.

Discussion took place over the need for the Annual Supper, as it was a lot of work, for a small number of people. A suggestion of it being combined with the **AGM** was

made. Whilst in principle this was attractive, the extra work required for a combined evening might be difficult to organize, again, due to the small number of helpers.

The Big Lunch – Sunday 18th June

10. Treasurer's Report: no report

11. Secretary's Report: no updates of note

12. Transport:

Station Redevelopment: Harrow on the Hill

Work is scheduled to commence in Spring 2017 and is expected to be completed by early summer 2020. This is not dependent on any planning permission being received.

13. Health:

Whilst we are disappointed with the slow progress, we believe a solution involving a new Health Centre on the Northwood & Pinner Cottage Hospital site may be possible.

Currently, NHS Property Services are financially appraising and testing an option in detail. This option has been discussed with Hillingdon Clinical Commissioning Group and they are aware that a formal proposal will be made to them in the near future. Planning Permission will also need to be obtained once the proposals have been agreed.

14. Hills Echo:

ARly had acquired a large amount of articles for the next edition. ARly requested help to chase remaining advertisers' outstanding payments. **ALL**

It was agreed that it would be useful if delivery date of the Echo next Spring coincided with the date of the Annual Supper/AGM so that the RS's could be given their copies at the meeting. **AL/TD**

15. Councillors' report: None provided

16. Web Site

RK was thanked (in absentia) for all his work on this over the years. Although he has now moved away, Ray has kindly indicated that he is happy to continue as web Master. However, at some point we may need to identify and train a replacement.

17. AOB:

Namaste Lounge: Confirmation sought as to if ongoing building works at the back have had approval. **DF/JM/JB**

Northwood Hills Promotional Video: MG/ARly reported that filming for a video to go on the Website was going to take place at various events over the next few months as part of a Duke of Edinburgh Silver Award Volunteering Project. It was noted that Child Protection issues must be adhered to, without any naming of individuals, unless specific permission had been given.

Chamberlain Way: Ted Adams reported that the volume of and speed of cars on this road, particularly at the corner with Catlins Lane had increased dramatically since the traffic calming measures had been put in place on High Road Eastcote. He agreed to prepare a paper, giving examples of the accidents that had also occurred, so that this could be presented to the Councillors at the next meeting. **TA**

NISA: Raise the ongoing issue of the rubbish outside with JM. **JC**

18. Dates for Next Meetings:

Tuesday 7th March - Annual Supper

Thursday 9th March - Echo copy date

Wednesday 22nd March

Saturday 8th April - Clean-up day 10-11.30am

Wednesday 26th April (incl. Ward Panel)

Wednesday 24th May - AGM

Saturday 3rd June - Eastcote House Gardens Picnic

Sunday 18th June - The Big Lunch

Wednesday 28th June

Wednesday 19th July (tbc)

August - no meeting

Wednesday 27th September

Wednesday 18th October

Saturday 18th November - Christmas Lights Switch-On

Wednesday 22nd November

December - no meeting

2018:

Wednesday 24th January

Wednesday 28th February

Tuesday 6th March - Annual Supper (tbc)

Wednesday 21st March

Wednesday 25th April

Wednesday 23rd May - AGM

The meeting closed at 9.30.