



Shrewsbury Park Residents' Association

Minutes of the committee meeting held in Room 3, Shrewsbury House
at 19.30 on the 13th May 2014

Present:

Robert Million (RM) Chair,
Liz McDermott (LMD) Vice Chair
Len Newland (LN), Vice Chair and NW Area Co-ordinator,
Alex Hayesmore (AH) Secretary,
Ralph Million (RHM) Treasurer,
Nicola Dennis, (ND)
John Field (JF),
Chris Higgs (CH),
Clive Inglis (CI),
Ian Robert (IR)
George Tutheridge (GT).

Item	Action
1	Welcome and apologies for absence. The Chair, Robert Million (RM) began by welcoming everyone to the meeting. Apologies had been received from Nick Fry and Martyn Kither.
2	Minutes of last meeting held 11th March 2014 Ian Robert (IR) had requested an amendment to item 3 via email. This was agreed. RM then signed the minutes as a true record.
3	Matters arising. Michael Wood had resigned from the committee. The committee gave their thanks for his involvement over many years. There were no other matters arising.
4	Association Vision update <u>Shrub Bed 221 to 223 Plum Lane</u> A cost of £193.94 had been agreed for the new shrub bed in Plum Lane. Cleansweep would provide the shrubs and their planting at no cost to the Association. Cheque had been paid and a receipt received. RM would request the Royal Borough undertake the work.



4 Association Vision update (continued)

Succession Shrub Planting

Shrub renewal had commenced and old shrubs had been removed and replanted in several locations. A donation of £75 had been made to the Royal Borough towards the planting of 155 new shrubs to infill gaps. A letter of thanks had been received from the Royal Borough. Len Newland (LN) asked if Wendy from Cleansweep was still working on the Estate. Committee members thought she was.

5 Fire Station LFEPA Mast

RM had written to the planning inspectorate, on behalf of the Association, objecting to the retention of the equipment placed on the mast for the Olympic Games. George Tutheridge (GT) thanked RM for his excellent letter. Ian Robert (IR) felt that commercial interests were being put above other considerations.

6 Neighbourhood watch update. (Len Newland)

LN reported that things were currently very quiet. The main area of concern was residents leaving cars unlocked with valuables inside. These cars were subsequently being opened and items stolen from them. LN also requested that new Neighbourhood Watch signs be put up. RM and LN to pursue.

7 Planning matters.

RM brought the meeting up to date with a summary of the agreed advisory comments made:

██████████-replacement windows-advisory objection, as an out of keeping window design.

██████████ Front Porch-advisory objection, as an out of keeping design, There were outstanding planning breaches in relation to the frontages of this and the adjoining semi at 1 Bushmoor.

RM reported that in early April he and LN had a meeting with Mike Hows and Cllr Denise Hyland to discuss various planning issues including at ██████████
██████████ as well as the new planning guidelines. Minutes of this meeting were to be produced, but to date this had not been done.

8 Homes on Shooters Hill.

At the time of the meeting RM had not had a response to the letter sent to RBG. He would chase this.



9 Plum Lane traffic calming.

New signs had been put up and the road re-marked. RM felt this hadn't made much difference and wouldn't until the Association were able to persuade RBG to extend the speed humps further down Plum Lane adjacent to the Shrewsbury Park retaining wall.

10 Correspondence received.

RM had received an email from resident Pauline Fuller. Someone had posted an anonymous letter through her door complaining about the state of her front garden. It was felt that she thought it was connected with the Association in some way and was very upset by it. She had asked RM to put something in a newsletter about the letter. There was some discussion on tidying of front gardens. It was agreed that RM would write to Pauline advising that the Association could not get involved and to reassure Pauline that the Association had no connection with the letter.

Resident Frances Lennon had written to the secretary, Alex Hayesmore (AH) expressing dissatisfaction at the way the committee had treated one of its former committee members. Clive Inglis (CI) asked if the minutes were available publicly. AH explained that they were published on the website once approved at the subsequent meeting. AH would draft a letter in reply to Frances to be approved by the committee.

11 Any other business

Arrangements for the AGM. The AGM would take place on 19th June. AH would order the wine glasses from Shrewsbury House. RM would purchase the wine and juice and LMD would organise the raffle and table decorations. RM asked if all present were willing to re-stand. Chris Higgs (CH) would be standing down due to work commitments and George Tutheridge (GT) would also stand down for health reasons. The committee thanked them both for their contributions over the years. Liz McDermott (LMD) asked if they would be continuing with SHAM. They confirmed they would. IR gave his apologies as he wouldn't be able to attend the AGM.

GT said that the Bushmoor Crescent Cul-de-sac looked a mess. LMD felt that work was in progress with Cleansweep working their way around the estate.

LN reported that he was unable to collect subs on Bushmoor Crescent due to his health. IR suggested that the four people already collecting split Bushmoor Crescent between them and that this be co-ordinated through Ralph Million (RHM). RHM suggested that collection sheets be used at the AGM sign in.



11 Any Other Business (continued)

LMD reported that more new residents welcome packs were needed. RM said that the new planning guidelines that are included in the pack were more detailed than previously and he had requested 50 or so copies from RBG. LMD had recently delivered several Welcome Packs and asked that committee members let her know when new residents moved in.

Green Flag for Shrewsbury Park. RBG had replied to RM's letter saying that the controlling body (RBG in this instance) puts in the submission. RM had asked them to proceed on behalf of the Association. CI asked if the Friends of the park were aware of this. RM confirmed they were.

GT and LMD mentioned the problem of cars parked by the tennis courts. LMD felt the Association should push for parking permits and double yellow lines. Nicola Dennis suggested white lines. It was agreed that this matter would be opened for discussion at the AGM.

LMD said she was disappointed that the planned gardening event was unable to go ahead and felt this was due to a newsletter not being published in time, but hoped it would be able to go ahead in the future. RM explained the unplanned circumstances relating to school appeals and apologised to LMD and the committee regarding this.

LMD asked RM to update the chair's welcome letter. RM had done this.

RM reported that a newsletter would be published before the AGM and LMD asked if the new subs rate of £5 could be mentioned in this.

John Field (JF) reported that some of the paving on the estate was in a poor state of repair. RM would report this to RBG.

RM asked for the committees' thoughts on how possible over subscription for committee places should be dealt with at the AGM. It was agreed this would be dealt with as in the previous year by interviews and a committee vote.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 20.52

Date of next meeting, AGM, Thursday 19th June 2014 at 19.30.

Signed (Chair):

Date: