



MOTTINGHAM RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD AT 8pm ON 18th JANUARY 2018 AT THE CHRIS MUMBRAY HALL.

PRESENT

Laurie Bell (LB) – in the Chair

Sally Babi (SB)

Edmund Cavendish (EC)

Liz Keable (LK)

Lesley Robins (LR)

Robert Blanks (RB)

Jane Cornish (JC)

Richard Mainwaring-Burton (RM-B)

Rebecca Young (RY)

IN ATTENDANCE

Cllr. John Hills (JH)

APOLOGIES

Margaret Henderson (MH)

Cllr Charles Rideout

Cllr David Cartwright

Caroline Wilson – visitor

MRA 18- 295 MINUTES OF MEETING

The Minutes of the meeting of 23rd November 2017, 2017 were approved as a correct record of the proceedings.

MRA 18- 296 MATTERS ARISING & ACTION POINTS (not covered elsewhere)

296-1 279-1 **Traffic in West Hallowes.** There is no indication yet of any action or traffic counters being put in place; it was suggested that nothing will happen this financial year. It was suggested that a West Hallowes resident should perhaps attend a future meeting of Greenwich Council to raise the issue in person. 5 days' notice of attendance would be required with a short statement detailing the issue that would be raised. The Council meetings are recorded thus whatever is said will go on the record and a response will either be provided there and then or in writing shortly afterwards. EC advised that if no resident was able to attend he was prepared to do so on their behalf provided he was properly briefed. RB will raise with residents of West Hallowes.

296-2 279-3 **Commemorative Plaque.** LK-LB agreed to measure the available space on the bench and LB will take the matter forward. (*post meeting note; a plastic plaque has been sourced at a cost of £92 including artwork.*)

296-3 Local police hub. LB raised this issue with Sue Turner (CAP Chair) who understands that the Community Hall is still available should Bromley Police wish to use it. LB will discuss with PC James or PCSO Sue Kennedy.

296-4 Distribution of paperwork to the 'Courts' and Sidcup Road. LK confirmed that she had delivered to Sidcup Road but RM-B confirmed that the 'Courts' were still proving to be a problem.

296-5 294 Additional plaques for the war memorial. LB confirmed that we had made some progress but still need to confirm with Bromley whether they actually owned the Memorial and if not who did.

MRA 18- 297 **REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS**

297-1 **Bromley Police**

Unfortunately, no Police representative was in attendance.
LB will raise the matter of non-attendance with PCSO Sue Kennedy.

297-2 **Greenwich Police**

Unfortunately, no Police representative was in attendance.

297-3 **Bromley Residents' Federation**

As this month's meeting clashed with our own no-one was able to attend. The meetings 15th March and 20th September also clash however subsequent meetings on 17th May, 19th July, 15th November do not so volunteers required to attend these if possible.

297-4 **Bromley Planning**

- A) Mottingham Hall Nursery. LK confirmed that she had spoken to Chris Ryder, Bromley's Chief Tree Officer but the Nursery seem to have a 'reason' or excuse for whatever they wish to do. However it appears that this is not being properly monitored or checked thus we have asked to be advised next time tree work is proposed so that we can ensure it is investigated properly.

The question was raised as to who actually owns what land along the west side of the green chain walk by the nursery.

- B) LK spoke with Bromley about the matter of conversions to HMOs but it is not such an issue for them. Bromley are reluctant to object in principle fearing liability if it is over-ruled on appeal. There is also the concern that the Council is now having to house people out into Kent thus they need all the capacity in the Borough that they can muster.
- C) LK raised the issue of 288 Court Rd (which is also shared with Greenwich) Cllr JH advised that he will be objecting to Greenwich. LK undertook to register the MRA's objections to both Boroughs.
- D) As regards Eltham College, at a meeting held by the Headmaster in November it was noted that planned works access had been moved away from the Mottingham Lane entrances. The College has agreed to cut back the fence and railings on the corner of Mottingham Lane/Grove Park Rd to improve visibility

though the extent of their property will still be marked out. EC also reported that the College had planted a large number of trees to provide additional screening of certain areas. Proposed changes to ease traffic in Mottingham Lane have been delayed due to objections raised by Bromley Council

297-5 Greenwich Planning

Nothing of significance to report.

297-6 Festive Lights

RB advised that the lights had not been as successful as we had hoped for various reasons beyond our control but the appeal had produced donations totaling £2,485 which, after costs left £2,433.22 to be carried forward to next year. We will have to re-assess the tree lights next year so will need extra funding. RB also advised that Ross Howie and Jim Heath may not be able to deal with the tree next year. Also due to high winds this year the tree was blown off centre breaking the stand so that will have to be replaced.

MRA 18- 298 CHAIR'S REPORT

Nothing to add that is not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

MRA 18- 299 TREASURER'S REPORT

290 LB presented the financial report from 01.04.17 to date, a copy of which is attached to these minutes for the record. All debts have been settled up to date although there are still a few subs to be collected.

MRA 18- 300 MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT

A brief report from the Membership Secretary had been circulated ahead of the meeting. It was noted that we still had a few vacancies for Road Reps. LK agreed to take on Beaconsfield Rd and numbers 456-504 Sidcup Rd. RY agreed to take on the vacant part of Mottingham Rd. LR undertook to create a generic appeal to be sent to residents of Roads where additional reps are required. It was agreed we should produce two Newsletters again.

MRA 18- 301 FREE SCHOOL PROPOSAL

Key issues remain - principally that there is inadequate school provision for primary school children in the Mottingham Village area. Concern remains that DRIS is a short term arrangement as has been confirmed by the Spring Partnership Trust. With the 'leakage' of pupils in year 2 it would seem unsustainable.

It was agreed that the Prospectus should be updated and the search for a suitable sponsor progressed. It was also agreed that a simple plain English briefing should be prepared for distribution to residents with the AGM notice in March.

Thanks were expressed to LK for her unstinting work on this issue.

MRA 18-302 THE PORCUPINE PUB

It was confirmed that Lidl had indicated an intention to submit a fresh planning application although no details are yet available.

MRA 18-303 AGM

RB agreed to circulate the necessary paperwork for Committee members to indicate their willingness to stand for re-election and an indication of what needs to be done on the night.

Consideration was given to possible topics for a talk. LR agreed to investigate Severndroog Castle in Shooter's Hill; LB agreed to contact Eltham Palace.

LB Raised the issue of officers for the coming year noting that he will not be able to attend either the next Executive Meeting nor the AGM itself. RM-B agreed to stand in for him and chair those meetings. RB agreed to remain as Secretary on condition that someone else takes on the Festive Lights.

MRA 18- 304 LOCAL ISSUES & MEMBERS' CONCERNS

Nothing to add.

MRA 18- 305 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

LB advised another attempt is to be made to open a collection point in the Kimmeridge Rd area for the Lewisham and Bromley Credit Union. Start date 22nd February.

Dates of Future Meetings

Thursday, 15th March, 2018.

Thursday, 21st June, 2018,

Thursday, 20th September, 2018.

Thursday, 22nd November, 2018.

2018 AGM to be held on Wednesday, 25th April, 2018 in St Andrews Church Hall.

There being no other business, the meeting was drawn to a close at 22.30.

ACTION POINTS		When by	By whom
296-1 West Hallows Traffic	RB to raise with residents prospect of attending Council meeting.	ASAP	RB
296-3 Police use of Community Hall	Raise with PC James or PCSO Sue Kennedy	ASAP	LB
296-5 Additional plaques for war memorial	Confirm ownership with Bromley Council	ASAP	LB
297-4 (A) Land to west of Green chain walk	Confirm ownership	ASAP	RB/LK
297-4 (C) re 288 Court Rd	Register MRA's objections to both Bromley and Greenwich	ASAP	LK
MRA 18-301 Free School Proposal	Update prospectus and proceed to identify sponsor. Draft plain English brief for distribution	28 Feb	LK
MRA 18-303 AGM	Circulate paperwork for committee members and AGM taks	28 Feb	RB
MRA 18-303 AGM Speaker	Investigate/ invite speaker for AGM	28 Feb	RB

Mottingham Residents Association

P&L 2017/18

Opening balances @ 1/4/17

Barclays	784.28
Nationwide	13000

Total 13784.28

Expenditure

St Andrews Church hire x 2	60
Newsletter printing x 2	250.06
Keegan & Pennykid, Insurance	179.2
Remembrance Wreath	20
Festival Lights	500
AGM notice printing (cash)	20
Bromley Residents Federation	10
AGM Hall hire	
Total Expenditure	1039.26

Receipts

AGM Raffle (net)	80
Nationwide Interest	6.26
AGM Refreshments	42.6
Subscriptions 2016/17	130
Subscriptions 2017/18	1900
Donations	29.2
Total Income	2188.06

Closing balances @ 16/1/18

Barclays	1926.82
Nationwide	13006.26

Balance remaining 13784.28 12745.02 14933.08 14933.08