



MOTTINGHAM RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD AT 8pm ON 15th MARCH 2018 AT THE CHRIS MUMBRA Y HALL.

PRESENT

Sally Babi (SB)	Robert Blanks (RB)
Edmund Cavendish (EC)	Jane Cornish (JC)
Liz Keable (LK)	Richard Mainwaring-Burton (RM-B) – in the Chair
Lesley Robins (LR)	

IN ATTENDANCE

Cllr. John Hills (JH)	Cllr Charles Rideout (CR)
Ted Rowlands (for item 7)	

APOLOGIES

Laurie Bell (LB)	Margaret Henderson (MH)
Rebecca Young (RY)	Bromley Police
Cllr David Cartwright	Caroline Wilson – visitor

LK opened the meeting with a sincere expression of best wishes to Cllr Charles Rideout who will be retiring from his role as a member of Bromley Council at the end of this session. We also gave thanks to Charles for his unending support of both the MRA and local residents over the many years he has served. (See notes after the Action points below.)

MRA 18- 306 MINUTES OF MEETING

The Minutes of the meeting of 18th January 2018 were approved as a correct record of the proceedings subject to a correction of 297-4(A) where 'Bromley Hall Nursery' should read 'Mottingham Hall Nursery'.

MRA 18- 307 MATTERS ARISING & ACTION POINTS (not covered elsewhere)

307-1 296-1 **Traffic in West Hallows.** Two or three residents from West Hallows will be attending the next Council Meeting on March 21st. where both Mrs. Roberts and Mrs. Lambert plan to speak. RB has passed the responses from the resident survey to Fred Roberts and a new petition is being carried out by Cllr Hills who is providing full support.

307-2 296-3 Local police hub. No further information available,

307-3 296-5 Additional plaques for the war memorial. No further information currently available. The memorial is on a list maintained by Bromley Council but it is still unclear who actually owns it.

307-4 297-4A Land adjacent to the Green chain walk – no further information available at this time. It was noted that Linda Berriman of the Mottingham Hall Nursery had asked to address this meeting as she felt there was some confusion over their activities in relation to the wooded area around the premises. In view of the full agenda we were not able to accommodate this at short notice however she has been offered, and has accepted, an invitation to address the June meeting.

MRA 18- 308 REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

308-1 Bromley Police

Unfortunately, no Police representative was in attendance. Cllr CR advised that the proposal to combine Bromley, Croydon and Sutton police under one Commander is going ahead despite objections from many areas including the MRA and Bob Neill MP. Concern was expressed that the police will no longer be able to effectively service the different committees they currently attend and that police drawn from the wider area will not have the local knowledge so important in crime prevention, the fear being that it will become entirely re-active rather than proactive policing.

RB produced a copy of a brief report passed on by LB which will be circulated post meeting.

308-2 Greenwich Police

Unfortunately, no Police representative was in attendance. Cllr Hills advised that Greenwich Police will probably be merged with Southwark and Lewisham in a similar way to Bromley. The same concerns apply.

The merger proposals follow a trial last year in Southwark which by all accounts was a complete disaster.

308-3 Bromley Residents' Federation

As this month's meeting clashed with our own no-one was able to attend. The next meeting is scheduled for 17th May which SB will try to attend.

308-4 Bromley Planning

- A) An application for a large shed in the garden of 24 Dorset Rd was originally rejected but has been resubmitted. The only access would be over a private Road owned by others so it is a completely unsuitable proposal.

- B) LK advised that EC were consulting on proposals to extend the current alcohol licence for the Marathon Pavilion on Saturdays and Sundays to 2300hrs (currently 1900hrs) plus additionally from 1900 to 2300hrs on Fridays (no current licence). Concerns were expressed that this would be very disturbing for nearby residents.
- C) It was noted that cars recently parked in Kippington Drive had blocked the road to waste collection vehicles which had been forced onto the grass verges causing some damage. These vehicles were traced to 6 form students of the college who have been asked not to park there in future; the problem being that their usual car park has been restricted which building work is going on in the college.

308-5 Greenwich Planning

LK and Cllr JH advised that although we objected to the original plans for 288 Court Rd no objections had been made to the revised application which was much more acceptable.

308-6 Festive Lights

RB advised that there were no significant changes since the last meeting. A balance of £2463.22 is being carried forward for next year. Accounts will be sent for auditing next week.

MRA 18- 309 CHAIR'S REPORT

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

MRA 18- 310 TREASURER'S REPORT

The latest accounts were circulated with the Agenda. A copy is attached is attached to these Minutes for reference.

MRA 18- 311 MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT

A brief report from the Membership Secretary had been circulated ahead of the meeting.

LR advised that Margaret Henderson has resigned as a Road Rep after 14 years in post although she is quite happy to help deliver leaflets or circulars if required. LR proposed to make a special mention of all recently 'retired' road reps at the AGM.

MRA 18-312 THE PORCUPINE PUB

Ted Rowlands, Chair of the PDC gave a summary of the history of Lidl's purchase of the Porcupine site, the attempt to build a Lidl store and their refusal to accept a price for the site that does not fully match the costs they have expended. It is Lidl's intention to submit a new planning application in June/ July in which they propose to meet all the objections raised against the original application. It was agreed that if they fail to address the safety issues previously raised we should again seek to fight it. We should however sound out the residents again on the general proposal for a Lidl store before objecting on a point of

principle. A document could be circulated with the AGM Notice and/or the matter could be addressed at the AGM in April.

MRA 18-313 AGM

Margaret Henderson has decided not to stand for re-election to the Committee this year. All other members of the Committee have signified their willingness to stand for re-election with the exception of Rebecca Young who could not make this meeting. (*Post meeting note RY has agreed to stand for re-election*).

RM-B advised that he would not be able to attend the AGM this year. In the absence of the Chairman it was agreed the LK would chair the AGM in his place as deputy Chair.

Mr David Sleep, a Visitor Assistant and Membership Recruiter for English Heritage at Eltham Palace has agreed to speak at the AGM on the subject of 'Eltham Palace and the Courtaulds' who left us with a great legacy and had a major influence on the Palace's history.

MRA 18- 314 LOCAL ISSUES & MEMBERS' CONCERNS

314-1 LK advised that the introduction of the Credit Union collection point in Kimmeridge Rd. had not gone well with only 7 people joining.

314-2 EC advised that parents of Eltham College students had asked whether it would be possible to have a formal crossing over Grove Park Rd. It was noted that this had been proposed before but rejected by Bromley. The Committee saw no real problem to a pedestrian controlled crossing if appropriately sited.

314-3 LK advised that the MRA's support has been requested for a 60th Anniversary event for St Edwards which will be held on 14th July. RM-B agreed to advise the Mottingham Band.

MRA 18- 315 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

RM-B advised that the Mottingham band's Easter concert will be at 7.30pm on Wednesday 21st March at the RC Church in Leysdown Rd.

Dates of Future Meetings

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 22.00.

ACTION POINTS		When by	By whom
307-2	Local police hub – availability of Mottingham Community Hall	ASAP	LB
307-3	Memorial Plaques -	ASAP	LB/RB
307-4	Identify owner of land adjacent to Green Chain Walk	ASAP	LK
308-1	Circulate Police Report	Immed	RB
308-6	Festive Lights Accounts for auditing	23 rd March	RB

MRA Farewell to Cllr. Charles Rideout 15.03.18.

2001 Byelection

2002 re-elected

2002-2004 Fight to save DRIS (considerable political cost)

2008-10 Village Signs

2010 Festive Lights

Newsletter 12/13 Rev Noel Mellish VC MC

2013 Porcupine

Throughout

- Library, meetings, reassurance to staff, behind the scenes
- Support for individuals
- Kimmeridge, Learning Shop, Big Local, multiple initiatives to engage community.

Unstinting in gift of time & effort, fount of knowledge.

Contribution beyond reasonable expectations

Impossible act to follow.

**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 3	90
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
Gift	50
AGM Hall hire	
Total Expenditure	1119.26

Receipts

AGM Raffle (net)	80
Nationwide Interest	12.82
AGM Refreshments	42.6
Subscriptions 2016/17	130
Subscriptions 2017/18	2170
Donations	29.2
Total Income	2464.62

Closing balances @ 15/3/18

Barclays
Nationwide

Balance remaining	13784.28	12665.02	15129.64
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