

MINUTES OF THE CHESWICK GREEN RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION WEDNESDAY 5th May 2010

Present George, Pete, Margaret W, Ken, Pat, Mike, Margaret D, Dot, Brian, Ian, Barbara, Lisa, Paul, Gary. Denise S, Len C and Gill B.

Apologies None

AGM 2010 - Presentation of Annual Reports

George gave his report as Chairman of the Association followed by Margaret's Treasure's Report . Ian's Village Hall Report and Denise's Village Hall Finance Report.

Len C asked if the association were paying for its entries in the local magazine and Margaret explained the terms. On the Village Hall, Margaret proposed getting the exterior doors painted and replacing the damaged polycarbonate windows. Paul offered to look into methods of removing graffiti from polycarbonate so as not to damage it in future. Gill D offered to cut back the shrubs around the hall but Len C explained that this was now covered by the Parish Councils contract dealing with Grounds Maintenance.

AGM 2010 – Election Of Officers

Residents Association Committee

Chairman – George was proposed by Ken, seconded by Barbara

Vice Chairman – Ken was proposed by Margaret D, seconded by Dot

Secretary – Ian was proposed by George, seconded by Paul

Treasurer – Margaret D was proposed by George, seconded by Brian

Election of Officers of Village Hall Management Committee

Chairman – Ian was proposed by Len C, seconded by Margaret W

Treasurer – Denise was proposed by Margaret D, seconded by Ian

Paul praised the work done by the association in helping to create a spirit of community and said he had not come across anything like it before.

There was a break for refreshments and an Informal Chat

Minutes from previous meeting

The minutes were approved without any issues.

Subscriptions

It was agreed that there should be some form of collection point – maybe a box/bucket for unpaid subs at the forthcoming Party In The Park.

Play Area, Shops & Car Park

Following Margaret W's comments at the last PC meeting, the pot holes in the approach road to the Village Hall should be finally sorted out some time this year but there still remain issues of responsibility for the work. Pat has contacted the PC regarding the entrance to the enclosed play equipment – gate and groundwork.

Len C commented that an application for a bench at the far end of the recreation ground , by the river may be looked on favourably by the PC.

Village Hall

Denise pointed out that there had been no increase in the costs of hiring the hall for regular users for the past two years and that an increase was now due. It was agreed to

raise the cost to users by 6% but that there should be no increase for party bookings at the present time.

Regarding the issue of storage, Len C proposed that the Association should look at a small extension for storage and that the PC would look at any estimates obtained by the association. It was thought that SMBC may provide advice and Len offered to ask them if they would be prepared to attend a future meeting.

In the meantime Denise will obtain quotes for 'movable screens' for use in the small hall to hide the array of Youth Club equipment.

There is an ongoing problem with waste collection from the village hall after the move to Wheelie Bins by SMBC. George to look into obtain quotes for commercial waste removal.

Proposed Village Hall Management Agreement

No developments.

Planning Applications

194 Creynolds Lane. After recent approaches by residents and a fresh look at plans it was agreed that the Association would oppose the present plans on the grounds of 'over development not in keeping with the street scene.'

Magazine & Website

Ian has received information from Mike to enable our contribution in the magazine to continue whilst Mike and Pat are away over the summer.

Police Matters

Paul reported on a recent disturbance involving 'drunken teenagers' and there were reports of a quad bike been driven in the car park and recreation field.

Coach Trip

So far 39 tickets have been sold and Margaret has contacted Johnson's to ask for a bigger coach.

Party In The Park

More volunteers are needed to clean up after the event. Entertainment and catering seems to be in hand. Soft drinks to be sold as per last year. There has been a good response to obtaining raffle prizes along the lines of tickets for meals out at local venues.

AOB – None

Meeting Closed at 10:05pm