

**MINUTES OF THE CHESWICK GREEN RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION
WEDNESDAY 3rd June 2009**

Present George, Pat, Ken & Margaret W, Brian, Dot, Lisa, Gary, Ian & Barbara

Apologies Margaret D, Pete, Mike

Minutes From Previous Meeting

The minutes were approved with no issues.

3. Coach Trip To Windsor 13th June 2009

So far there are 26 people booked to come on the trip. The coach seats 49 so we need more if we are to approach breaking even. Ian to put one of the posters on display in the village hall as it is polling day tomorrow. Coach trip will go ahead even if ticket sales are down though.

3. Party in the Park 4th July 2009

Brian and Pat will bring barbecues. The bouncy castle man has been informed. The small hall will be available from 1.30pm on 4th July, Simone has exams in large hall till 4.30pm. Hedge to be trimmed back, one week before. One goal post to be lifted and moved on the day. Outside lights on village hall not working – suspect dawn to dusk sensor - Ian to investigate. Margaret has food arrangements covered but need someone to prepare onions. Agreed we purchase approx 120 bags of crisps. Dot agreed to do raffle collection.

Agreed 6.30pm start. George to put up posters two weeks before, Ken to let Police know and Gary to contact Community Police Support Officer.

Current insurance will cover event as required by the interim Parish Council, Brian to prepare Risk Assessment.

There will be a pre-event meeting in the Saxon at 8pm on 24th June to finalise arrangements.

4. Play Area, Shops & Car Park

Dot was concerned about raised drain cover by the Youth Shelter as children have dug away soil around it exposing the iron drain cover which could be dangerous. This is on parish council land so Ian to email Marie Zizzy newsolihullparishes@hotmail.com Ian was concerned about the state of the 'shrub' areas in front of shops. These were removed by Solihull MBC but never reinstated so now just a mass of weeds and rubble. Pat said Mike would contact Mathew Gardner, The Patch Manager and will also mention an area in Foxland Close that has become untidy.

5. Village Hall

Barbara Sill reported that all testing and servicing is up to date, This includes PAT Testing, Fire Extinguishers tested/replaced, Gas Boiler serviced and landlords certificate given.

Barbara reported that the Allotment Association had requested the hall in August and it was agreed that they could once again have it free of charge as it was considered an exceptional and worthwhile community event.

6. Planning Applications

Very little to report (just one item), Nothing contentious

George noticed the derelict bungalow in Creynolds Lane may have been broken into

7. Magazine

Pat said that the August edition will be four pages and content is needed, this should include photos from the Windsor Trip, Party in The Park. There was also interest in requesting our new Parish Council to look into providing an allotment for Cheswick Green. This could be an item in the magazine. Also maybe something on the increase in nuisance from pigeons.

8. Tubs Planters

Nothing to report

9. Police Matters

Nothing to report

10. Any other matters arising

Pat commented on the amount of space now being taken up in the small hall of the village hall by Youth Clubs equipment. This has been a problem of late with complaints from users of the hall. Ian to write to Julian R at Youth Club to ask that no further equipment be stored in the small hall, and if possible to remove any little used items. Maybe some equipment could be stored in the parish office if it is not being used? It was agreed we will ask them when the new parish council is established. It was reported that the new parish council will cover Cheswick Green and Ilshaw Heath and Tanworth Lane up to Dog Kennel Lane, an area of aprox 1962 residents.

George closed the meeting at 9.55pm