

MINUTES OF THE CHESWICK GREEN RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Friday 1st December 2017

Attendees: George, Phil, Barbara, Ian, Helen, Deb, Bob

Apologies: Greg, Becky, Lisa, Debbie

- **Minutes from November meeting:**
 - Approved for publication.
- **Constitution:**
 - Updated (Oct 2017) version approved and agreed for publication
- **People:**
 - George visited the Jay Family and offered all and any support that the CGRA could give. Suggestion was made that the parents would like some administrative help and that it may be helpful if the CGRA were to set up a subcommittee to get a memorial fund/team started.. George will visit again in a few weeks.
 - Flowers to be sent to funeral; on behalf of the Residents Association from all Residents – Helen to arrange.
- **Pennies**
 - Following comments from local Resident Steven Hall, the committee once again discussed the donation to the local Pantomime, once again the decision was that the £30 donation was in order, for the Pantomime had made over £500 profit last year (significantly more than Party in the Park) furthermore that £30 as a percentage of income was far greater than the £100 donated by the Parish council. Comment of the level of funds was also discussed; it was noted that our residual balance has not changed in any significant way for over ten years, thus income and expenditure were under control and whilst we do have a healthy balance there was no need to make any changes at the moment
- **Planning.**
 - Greg had a response from Richard Holt concerning roof bracing and advised if any residents have any concerns to contact a local builder.
 - Solihull Council are considering phasing of the traffic lights at Creynolds Lane.
- **Parish Council.**
 - Recent leaflet distributed to the village asked for comments on Village Hall expenditure and in what order residents would like the money taken via the precept to be spent. The questions were thought to be a little terse in giving the option of “none” thought the biggest concern was the lack of financial information. it was described as akin to asking whether residents would prefer a Caribbean cruise to a new car.. effectively meaningless without knowing the cost implication. It was good to note from recent minutes that PC are pleased with the new Village Hall Management.
- **Party in the Park: 7th July 2018:**
 - Helen to Contact potential bands early in the new year

- **Community Events**
 - Children's Christmas Party – 17th December. Meet at 12.00.
 - Tickets available Sunday 10th: Barbara / Debbie.
 - Present wrapping: Deb
 - Food: Helen
 - Cakes and disposables: George
 - Christmas Lights Competition –
 - £50 Voucher for the winner... votes at Children's Party
 - Race day in June 2018 –
 - Worcester Races anticipated cost between £20 & £50 per person which includes transport with Johnsons Coaches, Maximum 50 seats.
 - Possible Blackpool trip in 2018.
 - Discuss at next meeting

- **Website & Community Communication:**
 - New Website up and running.
 - All communication to be acknowledged, discussed and replied to if considered appropriate

- **Police**
 - More houses being burgled, and cars stolen around the local areas.

- **Pub:**
 - Nothing to discuss.

- **Shops and Public Spaces:**
 - Greg still hasn't had a response from CP Bigwood about tidy up of shops.

- **Any Other Business –**
 - None

Meeting Finished 9:30pm

Next meeting - Friday 6th January 2018