

CHESWICK RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Wednesday 1st December 2021

Committee Attendees: Greg Allport (GA), Simon Coles (SC), Debbie Taylor (DT), Becky Cash (BC), Rory Cash (RC) Adam Tullett (AT), Audrey Reynolds (AR), Kirsty Jenkins (KJ), Debbie Bradshaw (DB), Clare O'Reilly (COR), Emma Moore (EM)

Paris Council attendees: Margret Gosling & Mick Swain
Members of the public 10 attendees

Apologies: Helen Watling (HW) (Zoom Join) Dave Brown (DB), Lisa Allen (LA)

Minutes From Last Meeting

- All agreed

Items arising from those minutes.

- New years eve all agreed not to proceed – others idea put forward but not considered viable at short notice reconsider next year.
- Email Friction – to prevent miscommunication all have agreed any communication sent on behalf of RA should be pre agreed by a 2nd RA member
- RA background for new members of the committee given – keen to establish what we are and how we want to be seen. All agreed we want to be about the events and activities that establish strong community. SC states the RA want to work closely with all aspects of CG and welcome PC and support they can offer.
- The RA should be the lead on social and community events with the backing and support of other organizations where required.

Update from PC:

MG provided feedback regarding opposition to dog kennel lane proposal, where 3 PC were in attendance (MG, MS and Sam Sedgley) acting on behalf of the residents.

Main points were that the Borough had faired badly with several proposed or started building sites, these sit on flood plain, using green belt land, with now merging boundaries. Effectively we were anticipating a further 1000+ homes with no consideration to impact on infrastructure no shops GP or medical care centers. The good point on why we weren't using brown sites, empty shops etc. to accommodate required homes. MG/MS stated next steps waiting on an examiner to consider and then PC will feedback and propose where we go next.

MS also spoke about the other proposal regarding motorway service, stating the current junction cannot cope with heavy flow now a new set of services would increase this, considering current pollution target for reduction this would be counterproductive. The Original proposal opposed and was rejected this is now back out for appeal. Want correct infrastructure to cope

Next hearing regarding expansion Jan 2022

Kenneth Hawkins has fed back regarding Bloor homes visit on Facebook.

Pathways meet the plan so no change, but have agreed to rake excess, blend to allow colour differences to be reduced and to make more ascetically pleasing. There is no intention to change the path between the soaks and intend to handover from Bloor in Apr 2020

Recreation ground improvements WWF have planted 700 plants to encourage wildlife and help reduce flooding. Anyone free to help on 10th Dec would be greatly appreciated.

Year 6 attended an educational visit this week led by Jake, helping children understand what we hoping to achieve. The ponds have been fenced off to help with residents concerns over safety and restricting access whilst plants establish. Residents have asked for a depth of water sign? Is this possible?

Discussion regarding a play kitchen to be added which had received mixed views, should go back to the rec committee meeting, possibly raised the thoughts of a Fort but still not great support.

It was suggested to look at Severn Trent funding to support rec improvements as we live on flood plain so could put in good evidence for support.

Nothing to be raised by Residents in the room.

DT put forward Louisa Gold for Residents support flowers as she has broken hip

Ed Norm garden maintenance added chipped path to the Forest School free of charge.

The point was raised the school used to use the mount, **any ideas why school don't use the mount?**

Craft Fayre

Happening on 5th Dec, Notices are out, leaflet drop covered, marquee arriving on 2nd Dec there is concerns about who will look after it and if it will be used by locals for shelter in the evenings, can residents help support and keep eyes on it

Agreed tables: Candles, Chocolates, craft goods, raffle PTA table.

Amy our Brownie leader will be our first Aider for the day, we will be provided with ear piece and HiVis jackets. Brownies will be helping clearing down. KJ offered additional first aid kits left over from last event if required.

BC and DT will be looking after the bus taking tickets at site and ensuring smooth hand over 75 tickets sold and additional ones will be available on the day in the tea room.

Food offering being supplied by Phil Breeze in the car park, pizza, chips, hot dogs and burgers.

KJ will be covering Marquee, bar hot choc baileys

Open Mic will be happening between 1-3, 16:30 potential fire breather, KJ recommended that the fire breather will be behind the fence in the pub.

10am set up

11am Kitchen being covered

Need help with tidy up

Close at 5 when Santa arrives and move people onto the pub

VHMC will be putting decs up, will need litter pickers which GA can supply the equipment.

Need to reminder for car park closure

Elfie board to be supplied to take photo's

Cheswick green Ale arriving on Friday all proceeds going to charity, KJ concerned over settling discuss with PC.

Car park

3 owners, 2 currently agreed to split cost of carpark renewal. Waiting on the 3rd to confirm action.

The area around the shops is showcase of village and car park front area looks untidy. A few shop owners were unwilling to contribute in the past.

We discussed asking the shopkeepers if we could aid putting pressure on the Managing Agent. GA agreed to speak with the Off Licence and SC with the Newsagent.

Still some conflict over the part by the pub where deliveries are taken

NHW – Can we restart we need volunteers. GA stated that the role is not to approach and move on those who are acting suspiciously but to report it. Hopefully this will spark more interest.
Can we approach dog walkers as first port of call?

Youth Club restarting Jan

EM Would RA consider supporting DBS check costs? Open for discussion in Jan 22

AOB

Big Breakfast – appeal to older generation or non family orientated thinking Saturday morning buy a brekkie and socialize could we pair with footie event, Less favoured as think it should be focused and directed to those less likely to attend family orientated events.

Can we get some Cheswick place attendees to combine village? Possibly Reena or the Swains

Local charity events to support In the past we have looked at things like the diabetic Association

Can we look at how we can involve PTA and spread community word events through parent pay to reach broader audience?

Flower boxes will RA look after them? Not long term this should be allocated to close resident but can look at plant supply and initial plant out

Charity collections food collection happening same day as kids Xmas party accept donations 19th.

KJ asked if was just food as they do a toy collection for Fill santa's sack GA to look into this

Meeting finished at 9:45pm