

MINUTES OF THE CHESWICK GREEN RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

WEDNESDAY 6th July 2011

Present George, Margaret, Brian, Dot, Pete, Ian, Barbara & Chris Noble

Apologies Pat & Mike

Minutes from previous meeting

The minutes were approved with no issues.

Chris was concerned about any ill feeling caused at the AGM over management of the village hall and apologised for any upset caused and said that he had not been prepared for what had happened. There had been some confusion over how meetings of the management committee were held that were not clear without consulting the Residents Association constitution. Members accepted Chris's apology and it was agreed that village hall management would continue to be part of Residents Association meetings.

Margaret had requested a copy of the parish council accounts and Chris was concerned that we had misunderstood the issue of 'closed sessions' at parish council meetings. Margaret and George stated that this understandable and that members had no issues with this. Margaret said that members felt they had a duty to view the parish council accounts and Chris said he had no problem with this. Chris invited members to provide feedback and ideas for future parish council projects and also thanked the association for assistance with the keep fit classes. George thanked Chris for the parish councils donation towards the cost of Party in the Park.

Regarding the recent planning application by Shirley Golf Club for a development along Creynolds Lane, this had seemed to have been originally for a golf academy and then a driving range and then a fairly large residential housing development. This was strongly opposed by both the parish council and the residents association as it was on green belt land and considered very inappropriate and also for its implications on traffic and road access in Creynolds Lane.

Chris reported that the S14 Grosvenor bus service would cease to operate after August 13th and members felt it was a shame as it had been a useful service especially for travel to the sixth form college. Member could however understand the commercial reasons for the failure to maintain the service.

Party In The Park

This year event went well, some points that would help next years PIP included making the cost of food round figures such as £2.00 or £1.50 as items priced at £2.20 made issues with change awkward and slowed things down.

Margaret reported that an operating profit in the region of £330 was made.

Members commented that the Rides/Bouncy Castles had been very good. George suggested that next year we should purchase bigger burger buns. It was also suggested that next year there should be no choice of raffle prizes just a draw for each item.

Meeting closed at 9.30pm – Next meeting arranged for Wednesday 7th September 2011