



Minutes of Committee Meeting held Wednesday 20th March 2013.

Venue – Elsie Fischer Room St Lawrence Church

1. **Present:** - Ian Brooks(Chairman), Irene Groom (Secretary), Karen Spink, Jackie Redrup, Gawain Cox, Alison Akerman, Carolyn Derecki, Pamela Jean Marr, Mr and Mrs Wright, Chris Head, Lucy Hall (Haydon School), David Harper, Dev Chadha, Dr. Deesha Chadha.
2. **Apologies for absence:** - Alison Holtorp, Ian Murray, Elizabeth Beggs, Linda Laurie, Tom Sharkey, Keith Barnard, Dympne McDermott, Denis Quigley, Cllrs. Catherine Dann, Bruce Baker, David Payne, Michael White, Raymond Graham, Edward Lavery, Andrew Retter, John Morgan, Jonathan Bianco.
3. **Resident's Issues:**
 - Lucy Hall explained her role as Haydon School representative in relation to local residents associations to the committee. IB welcomed liaison with local schools and suggested possible article for next newsletter.
 - Mr and Mrs Wright brought to our attention the problems with parking etc around the Lime Grove area especially at the Elm Avenue end, also speeding cars. IB informed them that a petition did go in several weeks ago and a consultation is to be take place and that it was important that those consulted responded.(links to 6.5. below)
 - Mr and Mrs Wright also brought to our attention the problem of overgrown trees in Acacia Avenue; it would appear that they had not been attended to in years. They were advised that they should contact the Council via the Contact Centre, they should be issued with a reference number and if nothing happens to come back to us. It was reported that the Council has recently been very slow to respond to tree pruning problems.
4. **Minutes of previous meeting:**
The Minutes of the Meeting of the 27th February were agreed.
5. **Actions/Matters arising, not on Agenda and not covered elsewhere in the minutes**
 - Flowers on Lampposts – CG has forwarded to the Cllrs all the emails relating to this problem, no response so far.
ACTION:- Cllrs.
 - The proposed Letterheads were circulated. It was pointed out that as well as letters there was also the newsletter, website, complement slips, etc that will need to be printed. One of the designs was favourite and GC will do some more work on it and circulate it for comments.
6. **Representatives Reports**
 - 6.1 **Planning**
 - The Planning report was distributed. JR brought to our attention the following:-
 - 16 Field End Road – approved.
 - 109/111 Field End Road (Pharmacy) – 2 applications.
 - Eastcote Hockey Club – letter of support to the protesters sent.
 - Old Betting Shop (High Road Eastcote) – Enforcement Officer has investigated and they have been informed that they must submit a planning application before proceeding with further rebuilding work.
 - 150 Field End Road (Initial House) – a second planning application went in before Christmas. One application already approved.
 - 24 Frances Road – Planning permission was given in June 2008 – work has now started - it is claimed that it is not being built in accordance with the plans – the Council has been informed.
 - 38 Coleridge Drive – JR to write.
 - RAF Eastcote (Pembroke Park) – at the recent planning meeting where ERA and other residents objected to 5 planning applications the dormers and roof windows in the roofs of houses facing Azalea Walk were refused, two out of the three blocks of flats were accepted and one refused. An appeal is expected. A letter is to be sent to the Council regarding other unapproved changes to new properties. **ACTION: - JR/IB**
 - In Pembroke Park cars drive over the public footpath – the barriers have been placed so that cars cannot drive through the site from High Road Eastcote to Lime Grove but were put in a position so that the site is split with

more cars exiting via Eastcote Road to reduce traffic on Lime Grove.

6.2 Finance

- No report.

6.3 Road Stewards

- KS reports that subs continue to come in.

6.4 Police Matters

- The Hillingdon Community & Police Consultative Group Newsletter has been received. In it, it stated that the reorganization to local policing includes an increase of 1200 officers, enhanced Safer Neighbourhood Teams and to move 260 officers back onto the streets. Total crime has been reduced in the Borough except for youth/serious youth violence and domestic violence all of which have gone up.
- It was reported that the police did not turn up at Eastcote Library for the advertised Surgery. It was reported in the local paper that they had not turned up at Northwood Hills either. No explanation was given.
- We are advised that SNT will be merging together and one for Eastcote and East Ruislip will be based at Ruislip Police Station.

6.5 Transport and Road Safety

- IB reports-
- Noisy & speeding night time lorry movements – the Council (Alan Tilly) have indicated that subject to vehicle details (registration number) they would be willing to investigate specific complaints of HGVs breaching the `night time lorry ban` via the Anti-Social team.
- Cheney St – temporary installation of VAS (vehicle activated speed) still awaited **ACTION:- BB**
- Cuckoo Hill - traffic safety scheme now fully installed.
- Lime Grove parking obstruction: Consultation on parking scheme is still awaited covering Lime Grove and nearby roads that may suffer displacement issues. **ACTION:- EL**

6.6 Parks and Conservation Reports

- Eastcote Conservation and Eastcote House Gardens
The Quarterly General Meeting of both EVCAAP & FEHG was held Thursday 14th March 2013.
The minutes were circulated 17th March 2013 and are with these minutes.
Any queries please contact Lesley Crowcroft.
- Cavendish Park - no report
 - DATES: Easter Egg Hunt – Easter Monday 1st April.

6.7 Webmaster

- No Report.

6.8 Heath & Community Voice

- The Community Voice report from Joan Davis is circulated. Accompanying the report was subscription renewal notice to CV. It was proposed by CG and Seconded by IB that we continue with our membership and it was agreed by a show of hands.
- IG had received a second report regarding local NHS changes as follows – NHS London and Hillingdon Primary Care Trust will be abolished on 1st April 2013. On that date NHS Commissioning Board London Region will take on specialist commissioning for London, and the Hillingdon Clinical Commissioning Group becomes responsible for commissioning of most local NHS services. Also Hillingdon HealthWatch will replace Hillingdon Local Involvement Network and the new Hillingdon Health and Wellbeing Board will become responsible for overview of local NHS services.
- Hillingdon PCT'S forecast deficit for 2012-2013 is £21.2M, offset by awards and a £15m loan from Brent PCT repayable over three years, so that it will technically break even. The CV has urged all three Hillingdon MPs to appeal to the Secretary of State to avoid Hillingdon CCG inheriting this debt.

6.9 HARA

- The meeting was last Monday 18th March. The speaker was Graham Hawkes of HealthWatch.
- Other items discussed were speed bumps and speed tables, parking problems and speeding cars.
- The next meeting is 20th May and this is the AGM and the speaker will be Ray Puddifoot, Leader of the Council. The following meeting is 15th July and the speaker will be Cllr. Philip Corthorne.

6.10 Newsletter

- IB requested that all items for the Newsletter to be emailed to LL as soon as possible.
- DH/CG delivered Newsletters to Pembroke Park – two new members have joined ERA.

7 AOB/Correspondence

- IB had a meeting with Andrew Riley, Les Drussel and Helena Webster on liaison between Residents Associations and local businesses– a very interesting meeting but it was felt that it was not appropriate as an AGM speaker subject. Les Drussel has offered some support.
- We appear to be having a high turn over of shops in FER and on investigation it would appear that the rents are very high and going up further and also that the landlords will not negotiate.
- Possible Speakers for the AGM – Ray Puddifoot or someone from planning and/or enforcement was suggested - IB will investigate and organise someone. **ACTION:- IB**
- Discussion then followed regarding the housing situation in the area. GC advised that there was a very high turn over in Pembroke Park. Certain areas have very high density of families and in other areas a very high proportion of elderly people.
- We are advised that the British Legion Eastcote Poppy Appeal raised £33,277.

The meeting finished at 9.20pm.

The next meeting will be on the 24th April 2013 at Elsie Fisher Room, St.Lawrence Church at 7.30pm. Apologies to Irene Groom.