

MINUTES OF THE CHESWICK GREEN RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

WEDNESDAY 2nd Apr 2014. 8.00pm.

Present.

George, Brian, Helen, Greg, Gary, Pete, Jason, Paul, Chris Noble

- **Apologises.** Jane, Dave, Phil R, Lisa

- **Minutes from previous meeting.**

The minutes from March 2014 were approved. JT is to send them to Ian for publishing on the website.

- **Village Hall.**

Fluorescent tubes have been purchased and are ready to be fitted. A discussion took place regarding retrofitting with LED's and drivers. Pete is to look in to the costs. Nice idea for saving on running costs but the group believes it is unlikely to be viable to the expected high, initial cost outlay. Mice have been found in the hall. Baited traps have been placed within the hall and the data regarding the poison used has been put in the cleaner's cupboard. George has replied to the youth club regarding perceived damage to the pool table. The manhole cover to the front of the hall is loose. George will contact PR builders to arrange a repair. George has received a request to replace the cooker with a newer model. We agreed that we would only replace it when it was beyond economical repair.

- **Play Area, Shops and Car Park.**

The wire attached underneath the rails outside the shops has been deliberately broken. The wire will not be replaced. The bins around the green will be replaced but will now be mounted at a lower level on the lamp posts. A letter was read out complaining about the condition of sections of road/verges following recent gas mains work.

- **Planning.**

5.1) Bloor Homes.

Residents can still object up to 30th April. The date for the appeal hearing has not been set. One month prior to the appeal hearing a meeting will take place where people will be able to present. We need a structured presentation, possibly led by key residents from the core roads/houses effected. i.e Willow Drive, Saxonwood and Coppice Walk. The parish council is going to arrange a meeting for all those whose houses are directly affected. The public meeting for the appeal is likely to be in the SMBC chambers. The parish council will present at the appeal and one member of CGRA could also present. Once the appeal date is known it needs to go on all the social media outlets we have as we are concerned that some think that this issue has just gone away.

5.2) No news on the Golf Club. No other general planning submissions.

5.3) The parish council want to influence any future developments and want to ensure the housing is proportionate and of the required mix. They plan on creating a neighbourhood plan and request the support of CGRA. Greg volunteers to join the steering group on the neighbourhood plan

- **Website/Media.**

Happy with website. Need to make sure all news on the appeal goes onto Facebook

- **Local Policing.**

It was noted that the latest police bulletin had shown increasing levels of car crime in Dickens Heath. However, number plates had been removed from a vehicle on Willow Drive recently

- **Social Events.**

Based on the age range of people paying the yearly subs we need to decide whether we cater for the higher age range in the social events we arrange. Discuss again at June's meeting. The bulk of the June's meeting will cover the Party in the Park.

- **Any Other Business.**

Subs. £732 currently received compared to £900 total last year. Consideration is to be made for next year as to whether we offer an electronic method of paying. May's meeting will be the AGM.

Meeting Closed at 9.30pm

AGM 8.00pm Wed 7th May

Next meeting (general meeting) . 8.00pm Wed 4th June 2014

Venue . Initially meet at Village Hall. Move to pub for Party in Park discussion?