



MINUTES - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday 22nd May 2018 – 2018pm

Held at

Clifton Village Hall

Total Membership 264

1 **Apologies:** Clare Ashton, Jill Barker, Jonathon Blacknell, Jan Buck, Linda Pickles, Joe Rice, Maggie Royston, John Spencer

2 **Present:** **31 members:**
Graeme Barker, Glenys Blacknell, Francis Buck, Phil Bull, Sandra Bull, Alma Davies, Julian Davies, Mrs E Edwards, Dan Garnon, Karen Garnon, Helen Huffer, Mick Huffer, Kath Kay, Michael Knight, Geoff Matthews, Sandy McCormick, Kevin McCormick, Pat Moore, Will Morlidge, Ed Peterson, Vendela Peterson, Maureen Preston, Pete Preston, Claire Simpson, Pat Rice, James Royston, E Skinner, R Skinner, Kath Spencer, Dorothy Woodall, John Woodall

3 **Previous Minutes:**
No comment received. To be updated for re-issue on website.
The minutes were proposed for acceptance by James Royston, seconded by Kath Kay and approved by the AGM as a true record. GB to forward to Jonathon Blacknell for placing on the website.

4 **Neighbourhood Watch Report**

PC Nigel Bradley, leader of the Clifton Beat team was introduced to the AGM. Nigel has joined the local team after time in Sneinton and St Anns and noted how welcome he has been made by people in the area.

There have been 12 crimes recorded in the village in the last 12 months. 4 of these are car crimes, including a short spate of activity on Milldale and Groveside. It was not known if the criminals had been caught for there. PC Bradley noted that officers will attend victims of car crime and engage with neighbouring residents to raise awareness and seek evidence or witnesses.

Villagers noted evidence of drugs in the Fishermans Car Park, and PC Bradley advised from the descriptions of rubbish offered, that this is likely to be recreational users.

Neighbourhood Watch- PR highlighted that there is currently no neighbourhood watch co-ordinator in post. Enquires on taking up the role are welcomed from the village. PC Bradley noted their support for the Neighbourhood Watch system, but did highlight that an active Facebook site and good links to the local Police pages are a good substitute for a formal representative. The village maintain such links through the Clifton Village Facebook site.

The Chairwoman concluded the Report by thanking PC Bradley for attending and for all the work the police put in to keep the village safe.

5 **Chairwoman's Report**

The Chairwoman welcomed all to the AGM. The chair opened the report by reminding all villagers that it is a year since the bollard were finally placed around the green, and that apart from one small incursion which was left deep in mud, there had been no further incursions. It is hoped this will continue.

The CVRA continue to make representations to NCC regarding the Old Rectory. The 'overage' clause on the property, which allows profit on the property's redevelopment to be shared with the council are to be lifted by NCC, in return for legal obligations to carry out the works by set timescales. We understand from recent correspondence that works should begin within 8 weeks, and are to be led by a local reputable builder.

The planned housing expansion at Clifton West has recently been submitted for outline planning, and is currently stalled on issues of road access and protection to the ancient woodland to the north. PR thanked all who could attend the recent consultation and hoped that the Woodland Trusts plan to object and push for a 50m deep buffer would help protect this important local asset. The CVRA have objected on the grounds of a lack of open space provision, access and the lack of a suitable buffer to the protected woodland.

The recent Fish and Chip Supper has been another village success, with 86 tickets sold. Jonathan Blacknell was thanked by all for making the evening such a success. PR also noted the success of a new inventive evening of fun, the Krypton Factor, which thanks to the input of Ed, Graeme, Phil and James had proved to be a great replacement for the Wine Tasting, which will return in later years. James's leadership of the 12 days of Christmas was also acknowledged as a calendar highlight.

PR thanked John and Dorothy for their continued generosity in allowing the continued use of their garden for the ever popular summer garden party, as well as the ever present catering team led by Glenys Blacknell and Kath Spencer.

PR also highlighted the work of Alma Davies in establishing a litter pick group for the village, and thanked Alma for all her hard work in this regard.

PR closed her address by thanking Graeme and Helen for their hard work in supporting the CVRA, and that hopefully all work put in by the wider CVRA members was resulting in a village that is free of derelict buildings, tidy and a community that we can all be proud of.

6. **Treasurer's Report**

Helen Huffer presented the accounts for 2017-18

Income for subscriptions was slightly lower than last year, but was offset by increased ticket sales and profit from the Christmas party and Summer Garden Party. The Fish and Chip Supper also made a small profit, with the most profitable event being the Krypton Factor evening held in Autumn 2017.

Christmas Card donations of £100 were made to the Village Hall trust. Donations were typically from residents who wanted to support the CRVA but could not come to events. JW noted that this was significantly down on previous years and it was resolved to discuss this at the next CVRA meeting.

Deposit Account interest was £1.54, giving a total income from 2017-18 was £2801.89

Printing and Stationery costs were increased in 2017 to £189.55,
Total Expenditure from 2017-18 was £2480.22

There was a reported profit for the year of £321.67.

The total balance of the CVRA accounts at the end of the year stands at £3,413.73

HH thanked Helen Lander for continuing to audit the accounts. The AGM agreed the presentation of a £25 gift voucher to Helen Lander.

The report was proposed by John Woodall, seconded by Kevin McCormick and accepted by the AGM.

7. **Election of Officers**

Pat Rice was willing to continue as Chairwoman
Helen Huffer was willing to carry on as Treasurer.
Graeme Barker was willing to carry on as Secretary.

JW led the AGM in acknowledging that these officers are willing to continue in their duties for 2018-19. This was formally proposed by Vendela Peterson, and seconded by Dorothy Woodall.

This was agreed unanimously by the AGM and these members were duly elected en masse by the AGM.

8. **Election of Executive Committee**

All committee members confirmed that they were willing to continue on the committee.

The committee were also elected en masse by the AGM. The CVRA committee is therefore made up as follows:

Officers:

Chairperson: Pat Rice, Secretary: Graeme Barker. Treasurer: Helen Huffer

Executive Committee:

Glenys Blacknell, Kath Kay, Ed Peterson, John Woodall, James Royston, Phil Bull.

9. **Honorarium**

Honorarium £50 to the Secretary – Proposed by Mick Huffer and seconded by Glenys Blacknell. Approved by the AGM.

10. **Social Events**

Dates and venues for coming events (will be published in the Newsletter, Website and shown on the Noticeboard):

Summer Garden Party	-	Saturday 23 rd June - "Holly House" (The Woodalls) or Village Hall if wet
Possible Candlelit Support		October 2018

John Woodall reminded the committee that the police should be invited to attend the Garden Party and Christmas Party.

11. AOB

- 11.1 Village Heritage Signage.** GB outlined that the CVRA, in co-ordination with the art group, are looking to host a competition to design the new heritage sign that is proposed to be located in the centre of the Village Green. More details of this will follow through the newsletter.
- 11.2 Litter Pick.** Alma Davies presented a summary of the Litter Pick which she is leading as co-ordinator, supported by Nottingham City Council. NCC are providing equipment and support for collection of rubbish, and volunteers are sought to help litter pick. A sign-up sheet was provided at the AGM. The next litter pick is 9th June 2018. Alma has been in discussion with NTU, KFC and Mcdonalds about providing a staff member to help with the litter picking. Mcdonalds are being supportive, the others less so. Alma would like to ask for another bin in the village. Feedback on locations was sought.
- 11.3 State of the Village Green.** KM raised an issue relating to the poor upkeep of the green. The AGM agreed that it had not witnessed the village green looking so shabby. PR to raise this issue with Paul Brown of NCC.
- 11.4 Parking in the Village.** It was noted that parking from NTU is starting to encroach once more in the permit zone, but there has been on sign of the traffic enforcement team in the village over recent months. PR is to raise the issue with the police / NCC to see whether this can be addressed. The CVRA is in dialogue with Nottingham Trent University over student and staff parking along Holgate and will keep the village availed of progress on this.
- 12 Next Meeting**
The Chairwoman closed the AGM thanking members for attending the meeting. The meeting closed at 8.50pm. The date of the next AGM was confirmed as the Monday 20th May 2019 at 7.30pm.

Graeme Barker, Secretary to the Clifton Village Residents Association