



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CLIFTON VILLAGE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION
HELD AT 4 FARRIERS GREEN
Tuesday 8th September 2009 at 8 pm**

1 Members Present:

Mrs. G Blacknell (GB), Mr. J Hooley (JH), Mrs. H Huffer (HH), Mr. K McCormick (KM),
Mrs. P. Moore (PM), Dr. R Smith (RS), Mr. J Woodall (JW),
Mrs. L H Young (LHY).

2 Apologies: John Spencer

3 Previous Minutes:

The minutes were accepted and approved as a true record,

4 Matters Arising

4.1 **David Jones Memorial** – The dedication will take place in the spring. The plaque has been on display in St. Mary's Church. One objection has been made to its placement in the church.

4.2 **Treasurer's Report**

HH handed out a printout of her report;

HH has made the following payments since last meeting:

£1200 - to Clifton Village Hall - Profit from May Day 2009

£45.42 - to LHY for stationary producing the Autumn 2009 Newsletter

Received: £5 - subscription and donation

Bank balance: Current account £484.47 - Deposit Account £1086.87

(KM handed over £50 to HH by way of donations in respect of 2 advertisements in the Autumn Newsletter)

4.3 **Planning Matters**

4.3.1 **Old Rectory**

KM reported that Mr. Dave White (Clifton Hall Drive), who was interested in buying the Old Rectory, has withdrawn his offer. There is no further development as to future plans from the Council.

4.3.2 **Reading Room**

KM reported that the Council may remove the external door between the house and the Reading Room as the two buildings are separate entities.

4.4 **Newsletter**

LHY reported that the Autumn 2009 Newsletter was distributed early October to all households in the village. Many complimentary remarks have been received as to the newsletter's content and layout. It was decided to roll out the next issue in March/April 2010. The committee joined with the Chairman thanking Lillian Young for her efforts in producing an excellent news letter .

5 **Social Events**

5.1 **Christmas Tree**

LHY reported that Simon Massarella has ordered the Christmas tree, and that Roy Nettleship is willing to lend his scaffold for the erecting of the tree on 5th December 2009.

JW - Mick Ackroyd will supply the electricity.

KM has purchased new lights.

5.2 **Christmas Tree Illumination and Carol Singing 6th December 2009**

JW confirmed that Jill Barker will provide the music.

LHY confirmed that Mavis Forsyth will organise the mulled wine, Mike Ashton the chestnuts etc., and Clare Ashton the song sheets. LHY will purchase the mince pies and soft drinks.

5.3 **Christmas Party - 13th December 2009**

GB reported that the organisation is under control - GB and MM will shortly discuss details and distribute tasks to helpers.

Ticket prices: Adult £5 - Child £2

LHY to write and invite Rector Sarah Clark to the Christmas Party.

It was agreed to put up notices for the 6th and 13th December events on the Website Noticeboard. LHY to contact Jonathan Blacknell.

5.4 **Christmas Card**

LHY reported that 2 donations had already been received. It was agreed to put a notice up on the Noticeboard.

6. **AOB**

6.1 **Street Lights**

KM informed the committee about the Council's new street light scheme and showed the proposed example which will be installed in the village. The lamps will be in accordance with the existing ones so there were no objections to the proposal. The scheme will be handled via a PFI (Public Finance Initiative).

6.2 **May Day**

The committee discussed various ideas for a May Day 2010 event, but no decision was made. KM stressed the urgency for settling this matter. PM reported that her attempts in contacting local schools for providing Maypole dancing had proved fruitless. KM will also contact Mike Ashton to discuss this topic.

6.3 **Minutes - Website**

JW's suggestion for the CVRA Committee Minutes to be put on the website was agreed.

6.4 **New Event at the Old Rectory Coach House**

KM - As Diva and Maurice Bonney have offered the use of their garden for events, numerous ideas were discussed for either a spring or autumn party. LHY will contact the Bonneys to discuss a possible event in 2010. This item to be firmed up at the next committee meeting.

6.5 **Dates for Events in 2010**

AGM	-	Thursday 20th May 2010
Summer Party	-	Sunday 18th July 2010
Christmas Tree etc.	-	Sunday 5th December 2010
Christmas Party	-	Sunday 12th December 2010

7. **Next Meeting**

Tuesday 9th February 2010 - 4, Farriers Green - at 20.00.