



Minutes of meeting of Clifton Village Residents Association

**Held at 9 Leabrook Close Green Clifton Village
On Wednesday 10th January 2018 at 8 pm.**

(1) Members present:

Mrs Pat Rice (PR), Mrs Kath Kay (KK), Mrs Helen Huffer (HH), Mrs Glenys Blacknell (GBI), Mr Phil Bull (PB), Mr Graeme Barker (GB), Clare Ashton (CA)

(2) Apologies: Mr John Woodall (JW), Mr Ed Peterson (EP), James Royston (JR)

(3) Previous Minutes:

Clare Ashton confirmed that she did not have a key for the moveable bollards on the green and has to request one from Prairie Bryant or Paul Brown when one is required. GB is to amend the minutes for issue. Minutes were approved by GBI and seconded by HH.

(4) Matters Arising

Paul Ferguson has advised that a new beat team member Nigel Bradley has joined the Clifton group for a short period away from St Anns on an exchange to gain experience of a different area with differing policing needs.

The new sergeant is Nigel Bradley email: nigel.bradley@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk

News agents in Barton Green - GB had contacted them but they had declined to take out an advert in the newsletter.

(5) Chairwoman's Report

PR thanked all parties for their help on Remembrance Day, for facilitating the event and supporting teas and coffees in the hall. It was agreed that the turnout was good and the event should continue to be supported. Rector Owen Page was thanked for leading the service and it was acknowledged that it was positive to see Councillor Gibson in attendance.

There has been good feedback from the Krypton Factor event, and the work of Phil, James, Graeme and especially Ed was acknowledged by the group. It was agreed that this event would be a good one to host another year.

PR thanked all members for helping to sell all 150 calendars once again. Over £200 has been raised for the hall and garden group. 175 calendars will be ordered next year to address rising demand.

PR thanked all for attending to erect and take down the tree, and support the Christmas carol event, which was once again a good success. Jonathon, Roy, Ruth's attendance was once again greatly appreciated by all. The Christmas Party was similarly a well attended event with the buffet being of excellent quality and enthusiastically consumed, along with Francis's mulled wine.

The situation with ice on the village roads was raised, and GB confirmed that the council have only placed Clifton Village on the secondary gritting route, which will not be activated until hell freezes over. GB is to discuss the possible placement of a grit bin or two with the highways department and possibly Prairie once the funding situation is better known.

(6) Treasurer's Report

HH presented the Treasurers Report.

£12 in subscriptions has been received.

The Krypton Factor event raised £450.50 in ticket sales, and after food and drinks were paid for, plus a £21.00 drinks licence, a profit of £270.98 was realised.

The Christmas Party benefitted from a net of £286.26 in ticket sales, once food had been paid for, with a further £202.50 paid out to JR for drinks. Net profit of £83.76 was made from the event.

Other income in the reporting period included £19.00 of donations and £25.00 for newsletter advertising.

Action: GB to forward the Christmas Card Money to Helen. *Post meeting note: £100 has been passed to Helen for onward payment to the Village Hall.*

CVRA Current Acct	£1,686.32
Deposit Account	£1,848.34

The Treasurers report was proposed by GB, seconded by PB and accepted by the committee.

(7) Secretary Report

Newsletters

GB requested input to the next village newsletter before the end of February. The ability to include a feature on historic photos was discussed and will form the backdrop to an advert for a spring event to review old photos and discuss village history. **Action:** GB to investigate possible speakers to come and talk to the village in the spring.

Membership

GB confirmed that membership currently stands at 283.

(8) Village Planning Matters

Ward Boundary Changes

Clare Ashton offered a summary of the proposals for the city councillor ward boundary changes. All agreed that the proposals were not agreeable and the committee unanimously voted to submit a representation on behalf of the village residents association proposing that Clifton be treated as a single council area, separate from Silverdale and Wilford. PR and CA are to draft a document for circulation before submittal to the Council before the 15th January.

Old Rectory

GB advised that no further feedback had been forthcoming from the Council, and having seen Mr Kumar attending the property over the last few days, would seek an update from Councillor Gibson and Rob Percival of the Planning Department.

Village Heritage Signage

It was agreed that a competition would be run for the Village Heritage Sign towards the end of February. **Action:** GB to see whether he can find a signage specialist to come and run an event at the hall on how the design needs to be prepared for the chosen technique.

Parking on Holgate and Nethergate

Villagers have noted that NTU parking has re-started on the unprotected roads of Nethergate and Holgate. GB advised people to take pictures and send them to him for compilation and discussion with NTU Estates Department who have been very helpful in previous years.

(9) Neighbourhood Watch

Parked cars on the pavement are still an issue on Village Road. It was agreed that this would be monitored for the next month before being raised with the police for advice and input.

(10) Social Events

Village Heritage and Photo evening – possible for 19th, 23rd March or 13th April

Village AGM confirmed as Monday 21st May from 7.30pm

Fish and Chip Supper - provisional dates 14, 21, 28th April - GBI to check with Jonathon B

Summer Garden Party – 23rd June. *Post meeting note: GB has checked and this is John's preferred date.*

Possible Candlelit Supper – October – to be discussed further.

Christmas Tree Erection 1st December with carols on 2nd December

Christmas Party – 9th Sunday December from 12.30pm

(11) AOB

11.1 New lights for the Christmas tree were discussed. GB is to obtain details via Dawn and Graham on Clifton Hall drive. A possible permanent tree was discussed and received favourably as an idea by the group. GB is to ask a landscape architect for advice on tree species and nursery for costing and supply. CA suggested asking the Local council for funds for both this and the lights as funding is made available to each area for Christmas community events.

11.2 Speeding through the village was raised as a major concern with a number of prevalent vehicles repeatedly speeding, along with the ever increasing numbers of delivery drivers. PR is to raise this issue with the police to see whether they are willing to come into the village with a speed gun for a day. Alternatively a volunteer is sought with a hairdryer to do the same.

Next meeting Wednesday 14th March at 8pm at 10 Nethergate