



Minutes of meeting of Clifton Village Residents Association

Held at 10 Nethergate Green Clifton Village
On Wednesday 30th August 2017 at 8 pm.

(1) Members present:

Mrs Pat Rice (PR) Mrs Helen Huffer (HH), Mrs Glenys Blacknell (GBI), Mrs Kath Kay (KK), Mr Phil Bull (PB), Mr John Woodall (JW), Mr Graeme Barker (GB), Mr Ed Peterson (EP)

(2) Apologies: James Royston

(3) Previous Minutes:

None raised. Minutes were proposed by JW and seconded by EP. Approved by the committee.

Action: GB to send to Jonathon for the website.

(4) Matters Arising

Event Insurance. HH reported that EP had reviewed the Insurance documents and that no special cover was required for our 'gazebos' as they were of small scale and not large enough to warrant attention by the insurers.

(5) Chairwoman's Report

PR had attended the village ward walk with Chris Gibson and Rob Percival on the 19th June. Issues discussed included the Old Rectory, where issues of rubble, lack of gutters, and the state of the windows were all raised. The village were advised that there were ongoing legal negotiations with Mr Kumar on the site that once resolved should see work re-started.

Issues regarding required works to trees were raised around the village green, along village road and along Nethergate. Paul from the NCC Tree team will inspect these and action where the council has the ownership rights to do so.

PR noted that the Village Hall had been refused keys to the village green, despite being previously promised them. JW noted that the drop down bollards are difficult to see, especially when dark, and raised whether this could be improved. *GB has raised this with NCC for action.*

PR noted that the Music Festival had been well supported by the village, and continues to be a highlight of the village calendar.

PR sadly noted that John Clayton had passed away the Friday before.

(6) Treasurer's Report

HH presented the Treasurers Report.

The summer garden party had continued to be a great event for the village, although numbers were down on previous years. There were some £574.00 of ticket sales, and a further £203.75 taken on the bar on the day. Total income was £777.55. Some £379.73 had been banked after £384.09 had

been paid out for food drinks and tent hire. Once other items such as insurance and bar licence are taken into account the event has made a profit in the order of £100. A further £143.00 was raised for the Village Hall via a raffle.

CVRA Current Acct	£1,415.53
Deposit Account	£1,848.34

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

(7) Secretary Report

Newsletters

GB requested input to the village newsletter by the middle of September so that the document could be produced by the end of September. It was agreed that James would take on the ticketing and distribution for Clifton Hall Drive.

Membership

GB confirmed that membership currently stands at 261. **Action: PR** is to look through the village photos and look to provide a new image for a welcome card as the village ones are about to run out.

(8) Village Planning Matters

Protection of Village Green

PR has written to NCC to thank them on behalf of the village for the completion of the bollards. All agreed that they fit into their setting and hopefully will resolve a long standing issue. The committee observed that the recent encampment had not stayed long, and encouragingly had become bogged down leaving the site. It is hoped that advice on this gets around the traveller community.

Old Rectory

GB has a meeting in the diary with NCC for late September to discuss the Rectory with the planners and local councillors and will feedback to all at the next meeting regarding this.

Barton in Fabis Gravel pit

GB is in the process of drafting content to contribute to the joint objection for the Gravel Pit, and will feedback updates on this to the committee. GB stressed that all residents should prepare their objections for both city and county applications as they are separate.

Barton Green Housing (site known as Clifton West)

Nothing further has been heard. **Action: GB** to make enquires with Chris Gibson / Rob Percival on when this is likely to be submitted.

(9) Neighbourhood Watch

No new co-ordinator has been identified. All members are to continue to follow any leads as this is an important means of communication for the village and is sadly lacking at present. GB is to include this in the next newsletter.

Small bushes have been stolen from outside of Sally Joss's house. Villagers are to be aware and report any suspicious activity to the police.

(10) Social Events

Mystery Evening

Date of event was confirmed with Claire Ashton as the 11/11/17

It was confirmed we would open doors at 7.30pm with events to start at 8pm. Tickets would be £7.50.

EP, JR, GB and PB are to meet to agree events for the evening.

Christmas Events

Action: PR to check that a Christmas tree is on order via Simon Massarella.

Lights were discussed – it was agreed that the CVRA would seek to use existing lights for this year (GBI to check these with Jonathon) and then seek replacements in sales period after Christmas.

Village Hall is booked for the Christmas Party for the 10th December (Sunday).

(11) AOB

11.1 Signage

PB has investigated signage costs for the types of sign seen around the Nottingham County area, including Ruddington and advised that they were costed at c. £2000. Action: GB to include a list of options in the Village Newsletter and request feedback from all.

11.2 Village Road Signage

GB advised that Prairie Bryant had confirmed that signage to village road had been instructed for both the village green and further into the village.

11.3 Remembrance Day

PB is to ask Owen Page whether he would be available and able to lead the Remembrance Day event at the memorial on the Village Green. The Wreath was discussed and it was agreed to make a £25 donation to the Royal British Legion and continue to use the existing wreath. PR is to ask Keith Youlden whether he is able to play bagpipes on the day.

11.4 Weed to Village Green

Maintenance of the Green was discussed as there are concerns that the council will not be able to maintain the ground around all bollards. Committee members, including EP offered to action this on behalf of all if the council do not maintain the areas around the bollard bases.

Next meeting Wednesday 8th November at 8pm at 10 Nethergate