

KENLEY AND DISTRICT RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF THE 505th MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE
8th September 2015, Held at Kenley Memorial Hall, Godstone Road, Kenley

Present: Chair: Phil Royse, John Davenport, Geoff James, Mike van der Vord, Richard Cowper and Anthony Lewis. Councillors Steve O'Connell, Steve Hollands, Jan Buttinger.

Apologies: Chris Stanley, Marilyn Poulton, Police

The meeting was quorate.

Visitors: Jeff Laidler, Polly Albany–Ward of the Croydon Advertiser.

505.1.1 Minutes of the meeting 503 held on the 14th of July 2015 were agreed. The minutes of the extraordinary committee meeting 504 held on 25th of August were agreed.

505.1.2 Matters Arising: Action Points from this and previous meetings.

Geoff J 496.3.1 research the commercial email sending services. Action pending until website and online subscription problems solved. On hold until website database is produced.

Chris S 497.3.29 Write/email John Carr to thank him for the list of WW1 service personnel and request if we could use or publish this.

491.3.9 Draft a welcome letter/pack for Road Stewards to hand to new residents.

505.3.1 Write to HEPA expressing our support for their actions in preserving the greenbelt. Also, to send a letter to the Chairman of the Council expressing our concern and objections regarding the situation:

Richard C 499.3.3.1 Feedback on National Rail progress on the New Barn Lane footbridge, from the ESTC meeting on 11th March. RC believes that the bridge has been surveyed and remedial actions have taken place. RC reported that Southern Railway will be discussing this at the next ESTC meeting.

505.3.6 Raise subject of no central white lines on A22 at the ESTC and report back.

505.3.4 Prepare a report on OLL bridge repairs for the winter newsletter.

Mike V 499.3.4 Contact Philip Clifton to ask if he would be interested in becoming an Area Steward. Also to see if he would organise a petition regarding white lines on Hornchurch Hill to prevent parking across driveways. MVV will pass his contact details to CS.

Anthony L 505.3.9 Draft letter to be sent to Area Stewards asking if any of their Road Stewards would be available to help with distributing SmartWater kits.

505.2.1 Council & Police Matters

- a. The council intends to consult across the Borough regarding the introduction of 20 mph zones. The introduction of the 20 mph zone in the north of the borough went through on a very small majority. SH confirmed that the councillors will do everything possible to make everyone aware of the consultation if it gets to that stage.
- b. JB reported that there are a continual flow of complaints regarding parking around schools. Parking restrictions have already been extended around Hayes School.
- c. No Police present.

505.3 NEW, and ONGOING, BUSINESS

505.3.1 Hawkhurst Road Travellers:

- a. There was a HEPA meeting prior to the Kendra committee meeting to discuss the issues in Hawkhurst Rd. The council was well represented, but the police were not. Residents are very concerned about the situation. Actions are under way.
- b. GJ reported that the meeting covered the issues of communication and points of contact. They will rationalise their email circulation lists. They were grateful for the input from AL and from Kendra in general. GJ will act as the main liaison with HEPA. GJ has already made some investigations on their behalf, connect and act as bridge for HEPA to the LGBC (London Green Belt Council)
- c. The HEPA members wish to preserve their anonymity. It is not clear what the long-term intentions of the travellers are.
- d. The council are in the process of confirming the ownership of the land, which has been divided into sub plots, and the travellers claim they own a sub plot on the land.

- e. The committee unanimously agreed that the Kendra Chairman should write to HEPA expressing our support for their actions in preserving the greenbelt. Also, to send a letter to the Chairman of the Council expressing our concern and objections regarding the situation: motion carried 5 in favour to 2 abstentions.
- 505.3.2 **New street lighting: issues with intensity of lights/ design/ placement:**
- a. SH informed the meeting that they have received some contact from residents regarding the new lighting, mainly regarding positioning of the lamp posts. The councillors have contacted Skanska in these circumstances who have tried to accommodate requests. PR reported that he has also managed to persuade Skanska employees to reposition posts. There is a possibility that the council could reduce the brightness of the lights on an area-wide basis.
 - b. MVV commented that the new lights create considerable glare whilst driving. We shall have to monitor the effects of this once the leaves fall from the trees. The project has been ongoing for 6 or 7 years and Skanska are very efficient. The lamp posts in Caterham appears similar although their lights gives less glare.
 - c. PR noted that there is a piece on the website giving more detail and inviting residents to comment.
- 505.3.3 **Arrangements for GM/committee meeting on 13th of October:**
- a. MP to be asked if she still has the glasses from previous meetings. It is normal to invite other residents Association. There is no speaker for the meeting. PR has had a discussion with the Area Enforcement Officers, who have confirmed they are happy to attend meetings.
 - b. The committee discussed the possibility of NHW speaking at the meeting. AL reported that there appears to be some disorganisation within NHW. Brian Udell, Chair of Croydon NHW will be invited to join the Q&A session, as will be the Police and Area Enforcement Officers.
- 505.3.4 **Old Lodge Lane Bridge replacement:**
RC reported that the work will be taking place between 16 December 2015 and 11 January 2016, with the road being closed. Between 30 December and 4 January the new bridge will be lifted into place and there will be no pedestrian access, so transport will be laid on to ferry pedestrians around the site. RC will prepare a report for the winter newsletter.
- 505.3.5 **New committee members:** JL was in attendance but no other potential members attended.
- 505.3.6 **No white lines on A22:** GJ reported a previous comment by SO'C that TfL are adopting a policy of not putting white lines in on safety grounds. RC will raise this at the ESTC and report back.
- 505.3.7 **LMD waste: enforcement actions, noise (MVV):**
- a. MVV reported that the site appears dangerous and there is a "mountain" of rubble. MVV has been in contact with a local resident who wishes to remain anonymous regarding this issue.
 - b. AL reported that there is a procedure to escalate the issue if Tandridge Council there is a procedure which could be used/escalated if there were a significant number of recorded (i.e. in writing) complaints. MVV will relay this to a local resident.
- 505.3.8 **Purley skyscraper:** CS is tasked to write a letter of concern to the council.
- 505.3.9 **SmartWater update & NHW(AL):**
- a. AL and GJ have been erecting signs. Only 2 NHW coordinators turned up at the recent meeting. AL has received 3 referrals so far. AL is not confident that NHW coordinators will be able to distribute kits.
 - b. It is expected that Police referrals will start to come in shortly. Because the funding has been received from MOPAC, we are not able to make use of police resources in distributing the kits.
 - c. AL to draft letter to be sent to Area Stewards asking if any of their Road Stewards would be available
- 505.3.10 **Recent Burglaries:** 10 in August, 12 in July, 10 in June and 15 in May, which is a very high rate for our area. GJ reported that there was a burglary in the flats near Hawkthirst Road. AL reported that the SNT have put on extra patrols. It would appear that the burglaries are targeting properties likely to yield gold or expensive vehicles, rather than on an opportunistic basis.

- 505.3.11 **Newsletter: Autumn issues, new editorial team:** Tony Avery has already secured 2 new advertisers for the newsletter. The newsletter is targeted to be distributed at the end of September.
- 505.3.12 **Heritage Day review, raffle prize:** it was a coincidence that the Red Arrows flew past nearby.
- 505.3.13 **Pavements –ZigZag, Kenley Hotel (GJ):**
- a. SH thought that the pavement immediately outside the hotel was privately owned; SH will pursue this.
 - b. The Councillors have been checking on road conditions across the ward and have arranged for Parfour Drive to be resurfaced
- 505.3.14 **Recent Accidents on Hayes Lane around Aerodrome.**
- a. SO'C informed the meeting that a Council official, Mike Barton, is looking into the options for putting speed restrictions on Hayes Lane around the Airfield. Current thinking is that it will remain 40 mph until the "S" bend, and then reduced to 30 mph.
 - b. PR reported that 60% to 80% of users of the road who are found to be speeding are from out of area.
- 505.3.16 **Purley Hospital MIU campaign; Consultation:** MVV attended the photo shoot. Chris Philp and CS spoke at the meeting.
- 505.3.17 **New OLL fly-tipping, and Kendra role (MVV) Litter-picks; cameras+legal, OLL:** we had previously agreed to consider joint funding of the project with the Council, but there has been no progress on this. It appears that the wire fencing has had a positive effect. No further action required.
- 505.3.20 **CCC meetings and minutes; CCC AGM 16th July:** the next meeting will be in the KMH on 30th September. Senior Police officers have attended previous meetings.
- 505.3.21 **Community Youth Grants: Do we do another round of invites:** the committee agreed to continue with this until the AGM.
- 505.3.26 **AOB**
- a. It would appear that PR is not receiving emails from the committee email address.
 - b. Unfortunately, one of our Road Stewards, Mike Webster passed away last week; he will be sorely missed. MVV and/or PR will attend his funeral on 22nd September. The committee agreed to authorise PR to arrange for a donation or flowers up to the value of £40.

Date of next Committee meeting: Sep 29 Geoff's Kitchen, Oct 13 Shortened Committee meeting followed by GM in main Hall, Nov 10 Committee meeting, Dec 1 Committee meeting.

505.4 OTHER ONGOING / OUTSTANDING BUSINESS

Support of vulnerable residents (CPJS), Croydon Energy-from-Waste, Liaise with schools as means of promoting KENDRA (CPJS), Closure of Purley Fire Station, Archives and financial documents, Glider Cable incident, Changes to Insurance policy, Kendra signs at east end of Valley Road, Material dumped by 261 HL + Golf Road stables and fence and electricity, Northwood Ave parking, Interest in LinkedIn, Area grants; other sources of smaller grants, New notice boards, LMD dust and noise at Whyteleafe

505.5 Committee Reports.

Written reports received & circulated from: Vice Chairman, Treasurer, Planning, Website.

505.6 PREVIOUS BUSINESS (Dormant or semi-dormant but unfinishable)

Higher Drive Recreation, Mosque on OLL, The Moorings PP Group. Unannounced changes to train timetables Bridge by Kenley Primary School, Parking station/shops, Lamppost design & programme, Litter-picks; funding for cameras+legal, OLL