

**MINUTES OF THE AUTUMN GENERAL MEETING OF THE
KENLEY AND DISTRICT RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION
24th October 2017, held at Kenley Memorial Hall, Godstone Road, Kenley**

Committee present: John Davenport, Geoff James, Tony Heal and Tony Avery and
Mike Van der Vord. Councillors: Steve O'Connell and Jan Buttinger

Members present: 60 members with 3 visitors including PC Jay Howlett and PCSO Janice Tomlinson

Apologies: Chris Stanley, Anthony Lewis and Cllr Steve Hollands, Mike Street.

2007A.1 The evening began with a short reception for members with wine and soft drinks on offer. Cllr Steve O'Connell took the chair (in the absence of Chris Stanley), welcomed everyone and gave a brief outline of the meeting

2007A.2 Minutes of April Annual GM had been published onto the Kendra website for general publication and copies were available in the hall.

2007A.3. There were no matters arising.

2007A.4 Kendra Administration and Notices

The chair welcomed Conor Campion, and co-opted him, with the meeting's agreement, as the replacement Kendra Committee Member Liaison for the Safer Neighbourhood Panel/Police Liaison Advisor

2007A.5 Report on Kenley Activities

- a) **Litter Picks** Co-ordinated by member Paul Keating in conjunction with LBC's 'Don't Mess with Croydon' campaign, a number of members had turned out on pre-advised dates to help collect litter from our streets – to good effect.
- b) **Airfield Revival Project** Alan Morgan gave an update on these ongoing developments, including new Information/history boards to be erected (over 40) around the airfield, a schools' education project, plans for the Officer's Mess, as well as security/graffiti issues experienced.
- c) **Downland Conservation** Andrew Wood advised of their successful 25th Anniversary Open Day in May (weather could have been better). Other items covered: Juniper Glade Completed pathworks by regular volunteers, a nature survey of butterflies, tackling rhododendron issues in Higher Drive, creating Bug Hotels and sheep grazing on Riddlesdown
- d) **Kenley Funday** In view of the ongoing Airfield Project the next Funday is not expected to take place until 2019

2007A.6 Current Local Issues

- a) Croydon Local Plan: Geoff James explained the latest proposed plan out for consultation and the proposed Intensification Zone for Kenley
- b) The current LBC Administration have intimated that in future Croydon's Open Spaces will not have development protection as previously afforded. Although no specific plans to build on any of them at present, we need to be aware of this change
- c) Communications Mast for corner of Abbots Lane(top end)/Hayes Lane to go ahead. Overruled by Planning Inspector after Croydon Planning objected
- d) i) Hayes Lane traffic speed with blind sight line issues and 2) planned introduction of 'blanket' 20 mph throughout the borough – due for next Spring. Lack of any consultation of the latter, compared to LBC's approach with the north of the borough, has been the main gripe.
- e) Hawkhurst – Travellers' issues. This has now been resolved.

2007A.7 Q and A for Councillors and Police.

Godstone Road consultation – report awaited, but other items covered above. The Police presence is appreciated around Kenley and there will be a full team available to respond to any situation. Contact/advice is now available via their website <http://content.met.police.uk/team/croydon/kenley> or email kenley.SNT@met.police.uk

2007A.8 A.O.B.

a) Planted hedge along grass verge on corner of Hayes Lane/Wattendon Road

GJ explained that home owner was entitled, under his title deeds, to have this hedge.

b) Carl Roche thanked SO'C for the successful meeting.