



**WORKING FOR OUR COMMUNITY
Kingswood Residents Association**

**KRA Committee Meeting Minutes
5th December 2016**

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| PRESENT: John, Anthony, Jo, Sam, Glen, Lorraine, Mary, Arthur, Beryl, Ken, Averil, Rita, Tim, Mel, Keith, Derek, Graham, Sue | |
| APOLOGIES: Amanda, Chandra, Joy, Pat | |
| <p>MATTERS ARISING:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bench near shops – defer to February meeting. Service Road clear up – following on from suggestions about cleaning up service roads, there has been a further suggestion on Facebook about a community BBQ. It was suggested that the two events could be combined, the clean up followed by BBQ. For info, the Council 'Big Clean Up' event take place during the first week of March. Tim will forward email with info to John/Anthony. Anthony offered to write something for newsletter and Street Reps were asked to canvas residents opinions. Hole in Meadow Road pavement – Ringway have stated this is not a safety matter, so the hole will not be dealt with. Derek offered to raise this matter at the next council meeting. Concerns have also been raised about small holes appearing in Meadow Road. Trees undermining pavements– John/Derek still to do walk round. Ken noted that Sheepcot Lane is very bad. | <p>Tim John Anthony Street Reps</p> <p>Derek</p> <p>John/Derek</p> |
| <p>CHAIR'S REPORT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There has been ongoing issues with Louise not keeping up with her Treasurer duties. The Officers discussed this at a meeting last month and Louise has stepped down as Treasurer and Glen has taken over the role. A405 Speeding Petition – This issue will be discussed at a Highways meeting on Wednesday and it is also being taken to a Transport panel in February. There was over 650 signatures on the petition. Yellow Lines in Greenwood Drive have been cancelled. Briar Road resurfacing has finally been done. This was paid for from Derek's budget and the KRA thank him for this. | |
| VICE CHAIR'S REPORT: It was suggested that pictures from KRA events could be shown on the big screen at the AGM next year. It was agreed this was a good idea. | |
| SECRETARY'S REPORT: Nothing to report | |
| <p>SOCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In Pat's absence, Ken reported that Tinsel and Turkey in Eastbourne went very well. Lynne has booked next year's Isle of Wight trip however, this will be the last trip she organises as she will be moving to the south coast. Jo reported that Children's Christmas Party went very well and has received lots of positive feedback in person and on Facebook. A huge thanks to everyone involved in planning and organising such a successful event. The KRA runs events for all ages. John has been asked whether the KRA could host a sociable event in the school grounds including food and a live band. John will follow up and look into the possibility. | John |
| <p>TREASURER'S REPORT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Balance £4,713 plus £687 cheques still to be paid in. Membership is now 700. Having taken on the role of Treasurer, Glen noted that advertisers appear not to have been invoiced for 2016 which amounts to approx £3,000 in lost revenue. Following a | |

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| <p>discussion, it was agreed to write to the advertisers stating that, due to an administrative error, their invoice was not sent out and asking them to pay now. Jo has cheque for new advertiser.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A query was raised about £730 paid into bank in March of which £500 were cheques. The reason for this credit has not been documented. If anyone can shed light on this, please speak to Glen. Ken keeps a list of social event payments and will liaise with Glen. • Please be aware that December is end of Financial Year for the KRA. If anyone has outstanding invoices or expenses, please give to Glen for payment asap. • Thanks to the Councillors for their kind donation to the Children's Christmas Party. This has been paid direct to the Entertainer and has not gone through the KRA account. | Glen |
| <p>FUNDRAISING SECRETARY'S REPORT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andy's health is improving slowly and he has done the December LHD, He now feels able to carry on with Briar Road (lower end) until someone else comes forward. • Joyce Narroway will be giving up her part of Fern Way at end of March and now that Glen is Treasurer, he wants to give up his part of Meadow Road (higher numbers). Two new Street Reps will be needed. Anthony knows someone who may be interested and will pass his details on to Sam who will contact them • Someone from Garston Crescent queried on Facebook whether their road could be included in the KRA. John invited them to tonight's meeting but they did not attend. If they have someone who is willing to take on the Street Rep role, the KRA would consider them joining. It was noted that there was also the same query from a resident in Avon Way. • The Street Reps were thanked for all their hard work this year and presented with gift tokens. • Lucky House Draw deadline is 15th December and Sam will get info to Jo by 18th. | Anthony Sam |
| <p>EDITOR'S REPORT: Jo has yet to confirm deadline dates for newsletter and delivery of magazines. Once she has liaised with the printers, she will pass information on to Lorraine to email out.</p> | Jo |
| <p>PLANNING MANAGER'S REPORT: 58 Fern Way has until end of December to put in an appeal.</p> | |
| <p>WEBSITE MANAGER'S REPORT: The website is up and running again and the new web hosting is working well.</p> | |
| <p>STREET REP'S REPORT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Averil – there was an article in the Watford Observer about Oxhey receiving funding for the Number 8 circular bus. This bus used to visit the Kingswood before the cuts a few years ago and it is missed by many residents. Keith offered to speak to Joan King, the Councillor who arranged the funding to see if there is a possibility of getting the service extended to our estate. • Rita – a query has been raised by a resident as to whether they would be able to receive a refund as they paid for a trip but then couldn't go. They notified someone on the Social Committee before the trip but has not heard back. At present the KRA does not have a refund policy. This will be discussed at the next Officers meeting and a policy put in place. | Keith Officers |
| <p>ANY OTHER BUSINESS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keith has information that the Baptist Church has been sold to organisation who want to set up an supplementary school. They are not planning to do any major building work but want to use the building to run classes after school for children in main stream school who are struggling. They will use the rear service road to access the car park and they have also bought the house. They are believed to be from Afghanistan and their organisation has charity status. They would also like to meet with the KRA about the possibility of it being used for community use. Keith to pass their details to John. • The councillors would be happy to make a donation to the Senior Citizens Lunch - Tim will liaise with Glen about this. | Keith Tim/Glen |
| <p>DATE/TIME OF NEXT MEETING: Monday 6thFebruary 2017.</p> | |
| <p>MEETING CLOSED: 9.05pm</p> | |