



Shelthorpe Community Association

General meeting notes Tuesday 6th December 2005
Charnwood Club 7.30 pm

These notes represent an overview of the topics discussed.

In attendance

Nick Jones (Tenant Participation Officer), Neville Stork (Councillor), Brenda Barnet (Committee Member), Ann Watkinson (Committee Member), Jean Marshall (Committee Member), David Callison (Committee Member), Mel Ray (Committee Member), Sheralyn Bland (Committee Member).

Notes

1. Resignation of Chair

Neville Stork and Nick Jones were updated on the resignation of Mr Cooper (Chair). The resignation was circulated and accepted.

2. Raising funds for the Shelthorpe Youth Club

SB updated the Group on the 'Shopping list' situation from Andrew Lake. It was confirmed that contact had not yet been made with Mr Lake, despite several phone calls and a visit to the Youth Club, however, enquiries will continue to be made. The Group are keen to move this forward and it was agreed that once a 'list' was available, this would be forwarded to Neville Stork in order to progress as quickly as possible.

Action: SB

3. Speeding Motorcyclist

Mel Ray and David Callison reported a persistent speeding motorcyclist on Poplar Road. It was agreed to report this to PC Kev Taylor as soon as possible.

Action SB

4. Epinal Way Extension

Neville Stork reported of his fears of someone getting seriously hurt or killed after using the Epinal Way Extn in the mid afternoon. At this time of day the sun shines directly into your eyes and sensible drivers should reduce their speed to 10-20 mph. This of course does not happen. The Crossings are heavily used at this time of the day, of which a large majority are children just leaving school and travelling home.

Several members of the Group were aware of near misses that had already occurred and it was feared that a serious accident could happen at any time.

After much discussion the Group unanimously agreed the following:

- Neville Stork to write to the Loughborough Echo expressing our concerns and campaign for a safer solution, perhaps a lolly pop person, reducing the speed of traffic etc.

- A Leaflet drop with Nick Jones' help. Every house in Shelthorpe to be notified of our concerns, inviting individuals to share our concerns, and become involved with the campaign.
- Leaflet drop will also invite residents to the February 2006 meeting.
- It was also considered useful, if possible, if the local beat officer PC Kev Taylor could hold a surgery at the same time. (Note: It was also suggested that this could become a regular occurrence).

Action: NS, NJ and SB

5. Officers

Discussions also took place on the lack of elected Officers. The Group proposed and elected the following:

Ann Watkinson – Role of Secretary

David Callison – Role of Treasurer

Sheralyn Bland – Role of Chair

All the positions were accepted.

Nick Jones (TPO) discussed the Training Courses available to the Group and provided a handout. It was agreed that individuals should confirm any training needs as soon as possible.

6. Councillors

It was agreed to contact Councillors Gay and Yardley to confirm that the Group is still active and to invite them to become/remain involved.

Action: SB

7. Date of Next meeting

It was agreed that the next meeting will be on Tuesday 7 February 2006.