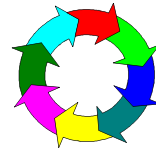




Shelthorpe Community Association



General meeting notes Tuesday 7 March 2006 (Amended)
Charnwood Club

Present

Mrs S Bland (Chair), Mrs J Marshall (Committee Member), Miss K Gilmour (Committee Member), Mr N Stork (Councillor), Mr M Ray (Committee Member), Mrs A Watkinson (Secretary), Cllr R Brown (Chair of Road Safety Committee), Mr D Callison (Treasurer), Ms M Fellows (Committee Member), Mrs B Bartlett (Committee Member)

Apologies

Mr N Jones (Tenant Participation Officer), Cllr Terry Yardley

Minutes of Meeting 7 February 2006 and Matters Arising

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed and there were no matters arising.

Chair wishes to thank all who attended the meeting with Cllr Max Hunt at Shelthorpe School and welcomed the feed back. In addition the leaflets that Mr Callison picked up would be useful.

1. Road Safety

Chair thanked Mel Ray for representing the Association at the Road Safety Committee meeting. Cllr Brown informed us that Highways are already aware of the difficulties that are arising from the Epinal Way, and are taking measures to monitor cars and speed. A number of measures were discussed including flashing lights to warn motorists of the possibility of school children crossing.

He also was appalled to witness two school buses racing, this will be reported to the appropriate authorities as this is not acceptable. The matter will also be brought up at the next Road Safety Committee meeting.

He also informed us that the Charnwood Road Safety would be available to do any research or studies we may require. After a lengthy discussion it was agreed to write a press release for the Echo addressing our concerns and informing the Community of our progress.

2. Raising Funds for the Shelthorpe Youth Club

Things are moving along very nicely. Chair was pleased to report the donation of a Combination TV/Video and an X box games machine. In addition a 4ft 6" pool table has also been pledged.

With the £1,000 grant the youth club have purchased a lap-top and materials for arts and crafts etc.

3. Estate Clean Up

Nick Jones (Tenant Participation Officer) informed us prior to the meeting that the supply of four bins had been agreed by the Council, two before April 2006 and two after April, the sites for these bins is yet to be arranged. Chair suggested that it would be nice if a plaque could be placed on bins to let the Community know that the Association had successfully obtained them.

Cllr Brown informed us that in Sileby if residents leave black bags near their bins, the refuse collectors may take notes of the house no's involved which could result in a letter being sent them. A penalty could then be enforced on these residents.

Mrs Bland remarked on the no show of any street cleaners, also Mrs B Barnet remarked on the state of Shelthorpe and particularly Park Road.

4. Beat Bobby / Street warden

Still no sign of PC Kev Taylor (beat bobby), it was agreed that Cllr Stork would make enquiries. It was also agreed to find out if Shelthorpe has got an appointed street warden. (previously vacant)

5. Any Other Business

Tesco / Epinal Way

Mr Ray informed the group of Cllr Hunts meeting, and discussed a question of the proposed traffic island at Tescos, a letter had been received from Cllr Hunt in reply.

Mr Ray passed this information onto the Chair for consideration. It was generally felt a good idea to obtain the proposed plans of Tescos extension. It was agreed to request this from Cllr Clay. ***(Chairs note: Happy to report Cllr Gay has provided a copy of the plans and these will be available at the next meeting).***

Cllr Brown also suggested that photos of lorries queuing to unload if seen, should be taken.

Cllr Stork commented that the Council's future plans (ie; Charnwood 2021) could have a significant impact on the traffic along the Epinal Way and should also be considered.

Bank account.

Chair prompted the issue of a bank account and the problems we have had obtaining the necessary documents from the Co-Op bank. Cllr Stork agreed to pick up the forms.

Councillor N Stork

Cllr N Stork suggested that Mr J Winslow of WREN would be a good contact to have in regard to further funding applications. (phone no supplied).

Cllr Stork also suggested that building a relationship with the Loughborough University Students Union could be useful. It was agreed to contact the President of the Union, Mr Gab Stone.

Park Road

After discussions, it was agreed to attempt to contact the owners of the derelict shops on Park Road, (Chair reported she has the name and address of the letting agent) with a view to possibly renting/purchasing as a Community Centre.

The meeting came to an end at 8-30pm
Date of Next meeting: Tuesday 4th April 2006
Venue: Charnwood Club

Minutes by Ann Watkinson