

## LANSDOWN CRESCENT ASSOCIATION MINUTES

Committee Meeting Friday 10th March 2017 at Rachael's (4 LPW) 7.30pm

**1. Apologies please to the secretary**

Mandy

**2. Minutes of Committee Meeting 18<sup>th</sup> January 2017**

The minutes were approved

**3. Matters Arising from the minutes (where not covered by agenda items)**

(i) Uneven paving stones by Lansdown Grove Hotel (**JW**) – not discussed

(ii) Draft a paper on the final reserve fund (**RK**)

The draft paper, circulated after the meeting by Robin, was discussed and agreed by email and will be issued at the AGM – **action completed - RK.**

(iii) Robin to speak with Judith Liddell regarding carol singing (**RK**) – not discussed

**4. Treasurer's Report (CS) including Actions from AGM**

(i) Constitutional study

The constitutional changes this year are limited to the proposal for absentee voting – see item below.

(ii) Proposal for absentee voting

The draft changes, circulated by Christopher, were discussed and agreed and will be issued with the AGM Calling notice – **action SB**

Approved by committee

(iii) Expense claims – not discussed

(iv) Accounts up to year end 2016 were circulated and will be issued for approval and adoption at the AGM – to be added as an attachment in the calling notice – **action SB**

**5. Hope House (RK, JW & NB)**

- (i) Newsletter and progress – not discussed

**6. Traffic (NB)**

- (i) HGV sign

The HGV sign is now installed in LPE, at the Lansdown Road junction.

- (ii) Untaxed car

Nick has notified the police and the local authority. The vehicle has a valid parking permit, but a query with DVLA did not give a registered vehicle.

- (iii) Parking outside Lansdown Grove Hotel (**Shaws and NB**) – not discussed

**7. Social Events. (MMcN and SueB)**

- (i) *Events 2017*

Social plan (**MMcN**)

Late Summer Party, 10th September, at xxx's (**SBt and MMcN**)

xxx has said that her garden is unsuitable for children. Sue was concerned that children will be excluded. Marian will speak with xxx – **action MMcN**

The committee agreed that children will be invited to subsequent garden parties.

Beckford's Ride event at St Stephen's - afternoon of Saturday 1st April

Potentially an additional autumn event (**SBt**)

**8. Projects**

- (i) Relaying (part of) the cobbles on LC (**JW**)

A more precise proposal is required - James will speak to Rhys Brooks, architect, who dealt with Royal Crescent cobbles – **action JW**

- (ii) Repaving the field-side pavement (**SB**) – not discussed

- (iii) Cleaning the paving stones on LPW (**RCH**) – not discussed

- (iv) Central bench – Contact the xxx and xxx – not discussed

**9. LCA Website (MS) – not discussed**

The assembly of the Annual Newsletter from website material was discussed and circulated.

**10. Neighbourhood Watch (RCH) – not discussed**

**11. Field and Sheep (JW)**

(i) The trees in Hope House by the Dell (**RW**)

The railing, broken by the fallen tree, has been repaired by James.

The committee agreed that the fallen tree should be replaced by a native tree and will be protected from the sheep by fencing – **action JW**

**12. Membership (CT)**

(i) The PERA drafted standing order (**CT**) – not discussed

**13. Planning**

(i) Beckford's Broken Wall

The case has been heard at the High Court and a decision will be given next week, or, failing that, in a couple of weeks. George Scott has written a report.

Listed Building Consent for the Trellis at 14 ULM - no intervention from committee needed

**14. Litter Picking Rota**

(i) Continuous: Field (**JW**) and SL (**DJ**)

(ii) Rota volunteers

Nick for April; Corinne for May; Simon for June; Robin for July

**15. FoBRA**

(i) Feedback & minutes from meetings. (**RCH & RK**):

Not discussed.

**16. AGM (RW)**

(i) Location – St Mary's Church Hall, Burlington Street

(ii) Agenda Items

The nomination of a new trustee, Simon Heale, was approved by the committee and will be included on the AGM agenda – **action SB**

Christopher's proxy voting amendment (about which there was extensive discussion) to be added to the calling notice – **action SB**

Accounts to be added to the calling notice – **action SB**

Add reminder to the AGM calling to pay subscription (or will not be able to vote) – **action SB**

(iii) Speaker

Confirmed Robin's suggestion Patrick Rotheram – Robin has written to confirm with Patrick. **[Actioned]**

(iv) Nominations

Nomination of committee – Simon to collate nominees, proposers and seconders – **action SB**

(v) Food and drink

Sue and Marian have this firmly in hand.

## **17. Future LCA Committee Meetings and Venues (SB)**

(i) Proposals for next committee at Nick Bishop's

Wednesday 3rd May

## **17. AOB**

The nomination of a new trustee: Simon Heale – see 16 (ii).

Gulls

£57K quote to remove gull nests.

Simon commented that unless more is done to reduce the amount of edible waste, then new gulls will simply replace those culled.

Robin read out the LCA public statement, supporting humane culling.

Rachael shared the following regarding rubbish collections:

5700 residences will retain weekly collections, we are awaiting confirmation of the criteria for these residences but it seems that it is based on streets with street fronted Georgian houses many of which are subdivided into flats and have no external storage for refuse. Lansdown Crescent, Lansdown Place West and Somerset Place, which have a high proportion of flats, will all retain weekly collections. Everywhere else in the LCA area will go onto a fortnightly regime