

Southdown Rise Residents Association

Minutes of the committee meeting 30th January 2013

Apologies: Mick Frogley, Sue Crane, Maggie Grimsdell, Vic Ellis

Present: Sally Trelford , Hazel Nation, Grenville Nation, Steve Marsh, Val Knight (Vice Chair) , Rob Rosenthal (Chair), Jo Whitehead Secretary, Ed White, Jim Grozier, Helen Weir, Nicola Jackson, Marisha Respinger (Treasurer), Andrew Williams, Sylvia Peckham, Chris Tredgold, Alistair Mant, Susan Davis, Andy Briggs, Councillors Littman and Jones, Suzanne Perfrement, Hubert Smitz, Mary Barnett, Andrew Barnett, Clair Mathieson, Chania Carr, Eva Marsh, Nicola Jackson,

Item	Discussion	Action
Traffic orders	<p>Rob invited attendees to break into groups and discuss the specific plans for the CPZ. Folks then put down their comments and requests on post it notes and Rob collected them to collate into a document for SRRA feedback. Comments will be circulated.</p> <p>Query how many parking vouchers each household could have = 50 per year</p>	Rob
CPSO report – Simon Turvey and Kieran	<p>There were concerns about recent burglaries. Our CPSO informed us that there had been several break ins and car crime and arrests had been made. Police are increasing patrols in hotspots from five ways down to Springfield Road Letter drops are also happening and Simon brought some to the meeting.</p> <p>Rob asked if there was a possibility of a CCTV on the railway bridge and councillors were asked to investigate this possibility via BT Police</p> <p>There was a concern that car drivers were speeding in our streets. Simon informed the membership that there was a website for reporting this – Crackdown</p> <p>The Police have a regular newsletter which Simon will send to Jo to circulate</p> <p>The meeting noted the increased presence of Police in the area and thanked Simon and Keiran for attending</p>	Mike/Leo
Councillors	Concern regarding 143 Ditchling Road	

<p>questions/items – Mike/Leo</p>	<p>being boarded up. Mike has noted this and has reported it to the relevant department.</p> <p>Blakers park traffic calming measures are going ahead with road narrowing and tree planting</p> <p>New street lighting that has been put in may have to be moved</p>	
<p>Wheelie bins and other obstructions to pavements - Jo</p>	<p>Springfield Road is a mess and members would like to tidy up wheelie bins and recycling boxes. Ed informed the meeting of a council officer that was excellent in supporting Warleigh road residents to do the same thing – Damien Marmusa. Jo Ed and Val to arrange a meeting with him for help.</p>	<p>Jo/Val/Ed</p>
<p>Website - Steve</p>	<p>The meeting discussed the purpose of the website and agreed it was to:</p> <p>Provide updates and news e.g. parking and burglaries</p> <p>Repository for information about the local area</p> <p>An archive of documents</p> <p>Gren noted that Steve had done an excellent job and Steve agreed to continue to moderate the site. There was a suggestion of an admin group – Sally Gren and Jo were all interested in this – to contact Steve</p> <p>Suggestion of a business links tab but a consensus that there wouldn't be advertising on there</p>	<p>Jo/Jim</p> <p>Steve/Gren/Sally/Jo</p>
<p>Playing out</p>	<p>Sally and Val had put a lot of thought into this and checked out other areas in the country where this was happening.</p> <p>It is an opportunity for children to play in</p>	

	<p>the streets during a time where cars were limited in an area (although residents would still be able to park) which would be an advantage to children and the community.</p> <p>Parents would be responsible for supervision (i.e. it isn't a crèche) and also ensure there was no damage to cars etc.</p> <p>Ideas such as hopscotch, marbles and conkers were put forward.</p> <p>Councillors are in favour of this idea and will check out other areas where this happens in order to organise road closure etc.</p> <p>Suggested areas – outside the pub, at the south end of Southdown avenue.</p> <p>Sally and Val to take forward, check out with other parents</p>	Sally/Val
Trees - Mike	<p>Ed has been very active in pushing the council to get on with this. Planting season is until April and Rob Geeland who has responsibility for this has assured Mike they will go in this winter. Peter Turner who is responsible for Road markings wants to visit to see where protection must go.</p> <p>It is not clear why we don't plant fruit trees.</p>	
DRARA feedback - Jim	<p>DRARA are having a community noticeboard on the Signyman wall</p> <p>Planning issues continue behind the Open House</p> <p>AGM Friday 1st February – all welcome</p> <p>Bridgewatch – members are painting out graffiti as it appears and trying to address</p>	Jo

	<p>the issue of icy steps</p> <p>London Road Station Partnership is there for anyone wanting to help out in the garden</p> <p>Presentation by Abi Walker about Shaftsbury place being a good place to play out</p> <p>Looking at areas for bike parking</p>	
Icy Bridge-Helen	<p>Helen will laminate a contact number for residents to call if the grit bin is empty. Residents can use the grit for the bridge in icy weather. SRRRA and DRARA residents prepared to do this.</p>	Helen
Treasurers report	<p>We have £213 and collected £24 this evening as counted by Marisha and verified by Jo.</p>	
AGM	<p>March 13th 2013. Jo and Marisha will get together to take this forward and involve others.</p> <p>.</p>	Marisha/Jo
Next dates	<p>6th Feb – committee meeting</p> <p>13th March - AGM -</p> <p>April 17th-committee meeting</p> <p>June 12th – Public meeting</p>	