

Leomansley Area Residents Association

Minutes of Committee Meeting Held Monday 8 May 2006

Present

Mike Wall (MW), Patrick Martin (PM), Graham Edwards (GE), Jeff Fry (JF), Roger Hartley (RH), John Thompson (JT), Tim Shrigley (TS), Valmai Bowden (VB), David Reid (DR)

1. Welcome and Introductions

JF welcomed David who would replace Barbara as the Waitrose representative

2. Apologies

Ian Williams,

3. Minutes of Meeting 6 February 2006

Agreed

4. Matters Arising/Action Points from Previous Meeting

- Contacting Maple Hayes Trust regarding the woods – tipping and fires – MW still to do
- Housing Association properties on Walsall Road – repairs still not actioned. GE has contacted Waterloo Housing Association who have indicated that the repair works will be done but– GE to follow up
- Walnut Walk road surface - done
- Meeting with Taylor Woodrow – on Agenda
- S106 – MW feels LDC is still reluctant to explain the changes made to the S106 agreement in relation to the Blair House site. Could consider referral to Local Government Ombudsman but JF to first try and arrange a meeting with LDC. JT will also speak to Richard King at LDC if needs be.
- Darwin Park Bus Service – Waitrose still pursuing but is now a Zaks operated bus service through the estate
- Parking in Leomansley View – PM awaiting a response
- Neighbourhood Watch – JF pursuing and could be an item for the AGM. RH has also followed up with Community Police Officers and confirmed that the police had succeeded in getting Blair House secured
- Walsall Road Parking –raised at the ARA Meeting as a wider issue within Lichfield but little appetite for residents parking schemes
- Remembrance Gardens - No-cycling signs – JF to write to Lichfield City Council
- RH confirmed the developer will provide bins for 'dog waste' provided LDC confirms the sites.
- Footpath at the side of Victoria Hospital – officially closed.
- Planning Applications –now being received.
- Play Area – implementation now delayed to June. Would be useful to have resident views on site. Have the police been involved? There will also be a multi use games area but not clear where this will be positioned.
- Website – new site now up and running thanks to a financial contribution from Waitrose

5. Finance Report

Received £75.00 from Waitrose
Paid £46.93 to JF for website work
Balance £122.67 credit

6. Neighbourhood Watch

JF has e-mailed round to raise the issue of more volunteers needed to act as contacts. *MW to provide leaflets which will be made available at Waitrose*

7. LDF

Pre-examination meeting attended by JT. There were approximately 80 people in attendance on the day and the process has now been formally underway for a couple of weeks
9th May meeting will focus on Sport. Sport England have indicated that they feel LDC haven't done sufficient work. *JT will attend the meeting*

8. Correspondence

Sandyway farm – appeal against refusal of planning permission continues. Next meeting 18 May. LARA has an invite to attend but all felt the written submission already made was sufficient

Have received requests for membership – previously e-mailed to GE

LDC Statement of Community Involvement – document now formally adopted

Meeting with developer - Agenda will include

- Adoption of Highways
- Bus route
- Play area
- Adoption of open space

NB planning permission for flats on the site of the bungalow at the end of Cathedral walk has been refused but will be resubmitted with changes. No details on what the changes will be

9. Press & Publicity

No specific issues but Blair House is an on-going issue

10. AoB

Footpaths – VB has drafted a letter to the County Council concerning access from Friary Road onto the 'Darwin walk' footpath. VB to circulate for comment and then submit on behalf of LAR

Amendment to Articles – JF to circulate and propose at AGM

AGM – suggested dates of 14 October or 4 November

Dumping of grass cuttings opposite Blair House – to be raised at the meeting with Developers

Planning Application for Leomansley House – JF to respond positively on behalf of LARA

11. Agreed Actions

- *Contacting Maple Hayes Trust regarding the woods – tipping and fires – MW to contact the Trust*
- *Housing Association properties on Walsall Road – GE to follow up*
- *Meeting with Taylor Woodrow – 23 May at LDC offices. MW/VB or PM to attend. Issue of dumping grass cuttings to be added to Agenda*
- *S106 - JF to first try and arrange a meeting with LDC. JT will also speak to Richard King at LDC if needs be*
- *Parking in Leomansley View – PM to follow up*
- *Neighbourhood Watch – MW to provide leaflets which will be made available at Waitrose*
- *Remembrance Gardens - No-cycling signs – JF to write to Lichfield City Council*
- *Play Area – implementation now delayed to June. Would be useful to have resident views on site. Have the police been involved? There will also be a multi use games area but not clear where this will be positioned.*

- *LDF – meeting 9 May – JT to attend*
- *Letter to CC re: footpath – VB to circulate and issue following and comments*
- *Planning Application for Leomansley House – JF to respond positively on behalf of LARA*

12. Date of Next Meeting –

Monday 3 July 8.15pm. Venue – Waitrose