

AVENUES AND PEARSON PARK RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Meeting held at 57 Westbourne Avenue
on 5th March 2013

Present: S. Wilson A. Crummay, S Walker, H Livas-Dawes, M Dawes,
L. Longworth K Stockdale, C Nicholson,

Also: Cllr. Butterworth, A Cleve (resident Ella St)

Apologies: C Bavey, A Worsey, J Sykes

1. Minutes of Last Meeting

The minutes of last meeting were accepted as a true and accurate record with one correction acknowledged – the questionnaire on Wyke area funding - community First was discussed. Thanks to Sally for deputizing for secretary.

2. Matters Arising

- 2.1. [3.4] no reply as yet from A Codd
- 2.2. Letter received from Dave Harris re 240 Victoria Avenue extension. Giving general information on planning. A discussion took place on how objections may be handled by the Council. It was thought that 5 objections mean the application would be called to committee, not sure if this is right. A councillor can call any application to committee but needs to do it as soon as possible.
- 2.3. 8 Muirfield Park – it would seem that silver birch trees have been felled as well as some conifers – the conifers were the subject of a successful application, the birches were not. Cahir to write to council and ask if any new tree replacements were being planned.
- 2.4. Pearson Park – members of the Friends of the park asked if the residents association of the Park should have any input into matters relating to the actual park but keep to the issues relating to the house within the area. It was thought that both groups should communicate to avoid duplication or conflict in the future.

3. Chairman's Report

- 3.1. 99-101 Park Avenue- the letter from the planning inspectorate seems very unsympathetic to the surrounding area and other residents. Chair to write reply and bring up our negative view of the process.
- 3.2. Letter from Cllr Fareham relating to the proposed railings for the park- he said that the old style railings matching others in the area are impossible to recreate. It was thought that the real reason is cost.
- 3.3. The Neighbourhood Network were conducting an awards scheme.

- 3.4. Planning committee. It was wondered if councilors voted on party lines or on the merits of the application.
- 3.5. Regina Crescent – new houses – no response from the fire service on how they were to service this area given the access road fell short of legal dimensions.

4. Planning Matters

4.1. Responses

- 4.1.1. 8 Muirfield Park - approved
- 4.1.2. 10-12 Princes Avenue – refused
- 4.1.3. 172 Westbourne Avenue – approved

4.2. Applications

- 4.2.1. 62 Westbourne Avenue – holly tree felling – ok but ask about pruning
- 4.2.2. 78 Westbourne Avenue – felling of spruce – ok
- 4.2.3. 117 Princes Avenue – retention of 10 bed house – objections as over use.
- 4.2.4. 11 the Parade in Pearson Park – new balcony – ok but what about common styling?

5. Treasurer's Report

- 5.1. Invoice from Double Click IT for balance of website that is now up and running, Laurence will 'train' any user required to input information now paid.
- 5.2. Invoice for continuing use of the domain name paid to Double Click IT
- 5.3. £2500 received from the Wyke Area fund for the P Park appraisal, £1000 spent

6. Any Other Business

- 6.1. An article was circulated that gave an argument for timber over plastic in replacement frames on the grounds of cost but mainly on the carbon footprint difference - it being more efficient to use timber than plastic. It will be inserted into the newsletter.
- 6.2. Plaques – after discussion it was agreed that any new ones should be for persons who had lived here for some time.
- 6.3. Victoria Avenue – dead end - Council to insert bollards and repair highway and mark up the area better, resident Ed Ulyat drew up plans that were accepted by the highways section.
- 6.4. Anne Cleve address the meeting on the issue of an extension at 42 Ella Street. It was started before planning application had been submitted. It was a sort of 'play area' for the resident's disabled child, but has encroached into neighbouring property and has reduced the light into the living room. There is also an issue on the non-compliance of the Part Wall Act which could affect future sales of either property. There could also be issues on the DD Act. It

was thought that a conversation with both parties could help and Cllr Butterworth said she would help as much as she could.

7. Next Meeting

The next meeting was set for **7.30pm** at 48 Marlborough Avenue on Wednesday 10th April 2013

AGM SET FOR WEDNESDAY 8TH MAY IN CHURCH HALL ST CUTHBERTS CHURCH MARLBOROUGH AVENUE

After thanking Lesley for her hospitality, the meeting closed at 9.40pm