Tinkers Bridge Residents' Association

DATE 29th June 2023



Present: Deanna Norris (Secretary), Johny Orr (Chair), April Rennie (Vice Chair), Kirsty Rennie (Treasurer), Neasham Galloway, Heather Patterson, Janet Day, Tarnya Page, Lily Page, Ella, Vincent.

Apologies: Terry Weller, Derrek Weller, Ron Ellis, Rosemary O'Day

		Action by whom
1	Welcome	
	John opened the meeting and welcomed all present.	
2	Minutes of the previous meeting	
	There were none present at the meeting will be shared in due course and be passed over to the next meeting.	
3	Chairs' Report	
	Not a lot to report, usual meeting taken place no new updates. Tinkers Bridge Residents Association got the Gold Award from MKC.	
4	Treasurers Report	
	£892.20 General fund	
	£452.75 café / Larder	
	£48.49 Community Meal, today's expenses not included, funds do not seem to be there for us to go forward with this.	
	£398.13 Environmental fund	
	Gold award funding is due to come in £775.00 which goes to general fund.	
5	Funding / UK Shared Prosperity Fund	
	There is funding that can be applied for from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund. Dave has done a proposal based upon the RA members talking, exercise equipment adding into Tinkers Bridge and/or a park relocation on the estate. This needs to have planning permission and land owners' permission (MKC) before we can submit funding for this so this doesn't leave enough time to do this.	
	April has proposed that we apply for funding using this fund to get a newsletter for each house on the estate printed and posted, due to the lack of communication and some residents not being on social media	

and missing out on posts and knowing what's happening on Tinkers Bridge. Janet will get some printing quotes together so an application Approved by majority can be put in asap. We will apply for annual costing for the newsletter to at meeting be printed monthly and delivered to each house. 6 **Events / Summer Event Netherfield** It was decided that we were doing a coffee / tea / cake stall at the Netherfield beach summer party on the 15th July. John is happy to help out alongside Heather and Kerry. We are not applying for funding for this, we will use TBRA money and the money that comes back in with go back into TBRA. Seaside trips, we got funding from WCC towards 53 seaters for 2 trips, it sold out within hours, quickest ever. There are people that have missed out on the trip due to it being sold so quickly. Kirsty and April were talking about raising money ourselves to go towards a bigger coach, Bills have quoted a 79-seater as appose to getting a second coach on each day, this gives us 26 extra seats per day. Kirsty has worked out to upgrade the 2 coaches from 53 seaters to 79 seaters we would need £411, plus the £7 per seat we would sell. April has been given a contribution of £100, Kirsty proposes we take £200 Vote by all from environmental as this fund isn't being used, we can always fund at the meeting raise through the year to get this back up. All of group voted to approve this. We need to apply for funding for any events we want in the next few months, we want to do a zombie trail for Halloween, take photos of the zombie around the estate and let the kids find where he/she is hiding. Vote by all Tarnya would like to get involved in Halloween and events going to get funding forward. We would like funding to be applied for an event at the meeting place, picky finger food / buffet. We would like to try join forces with the MK Community fridge for the lead up to Halloween. Heather will ask Emily if she will face paint for us. Deanna is happy to do some gory wounds and FX make up with small groups. 7 **Environmental Reports / Landscaping** Environmental not much to report. All the bins have been delivered except Marshworth, if we know of any residents that do not have them yet let April know and she will chase them up. Landscaping contract for WCC has come to an end, they have got to renegotiate a contract. What they are being offered from MKC to do the landscaping, does not cover what needs to be done so the councillors have been asked to talk to RA's and see what they would like Woughton to do; Would the people like WCC or MKC to do the contract? Woughton would cover, lowline branches on trees, grass within the estate and the pruning of bushes Comments from the meeting were that WCC seem to respond quicker if we put a call in, they help in the area quicker if we are running an event, Agreed by we have built a good relationship with WCC so we feel we should stick all at the

	with WCC as we do have a good relationship and we can talk to some one personally rather than going to a department at the council and waiting for a response. There have been a couple of cases of Fly tipping, one has revoked his rubbish and apologised and not dumped since. The other has been told that this is no acceptable and it is being monitored. There is an issue with residents putting their bin bags out days early, on purpose, they have been spoken to and asked not to do this until bin day or to leave them in the bin cupboard, they have been reported to environmental and had letters sent out.	meeting
8	Café / Fridge / Larder	
	Café is still running well every 2 nd week.	
	Larder / Fridge is running smooth no problems.	
	Community Meal we need to stop for a while as we aren't getting enough donations back in to cover the costs. Now the weather is warmer we are going to stop and then discuss to reopen in the Autumn time. We did win an award for this project and we do feel we have succeeded with this.	
	Voted to close for now and to review in September to reopen October.	Agreed by all.
9	Email Listing	
	April feels that there are people that should be on the email listings that are not, and there are people on the listing still that have no input in TB at all so this needs to be checked and changed.	
	John advised that this is something that falls under the Secretary's domain and the secretary can delegate this job to another person. Deanna (as secretary) to compile a list for mail outs with discussion with other RA members and send this to Dave for future mail outs.	
	Along side this we need to have a ween through of the members on the Tinkers Bridge official Facebook group as there are trouble makers in the group causing Kaos and there are people in there that have no association with Tinkers Bridge that ned to be removed.	
10	Outdoors Kitchen	
	We have decided we do not want this. It would have been a good item to add in to our collection, but the upkeep of this unit and the use seems like it would not be worth it for us. We have 2 barbeque units and we store them and clean them out as and when needed, we don't feel like we would make the use of another unit, Majority vote	Voted by all
11	Car Park Closure	
	Tesco have taken over ownership of the carpark; they aren't happy with the way the car park and the loading bay is. For 5 weeks in stages, they wil be resurfacing the loading bay and the carpark. The loading bay with be done first and deliveries through the front car park. Then the car park will be done so this will be closed for a few weeks, the disabled bays will	

	be moved and there will be no access to the buildings form the car park. Our larder deliveries will need to come through the site loading bay and people will need to park off site to access also.	
12	Kebab Van	
	With Tesco taking over ownership of the carpark the kebab van is being told he has to move from his current location (in front of the meeting place in the car park), April has looked into this and has been trying to meet with MKC to discuss him keeping his patch. MKC are saying its Tesco wanting to move him. Tesco are saying they want the Van parked in the street of Marshworth and not in the carpark. Donna and April are working on the case with the Manager of the Tinkers Bridge Tesco also. April is supporting him as the councillor and feels we, as a Residents association, should also support him. Deanna will send a letter of support as TBRA Secretary to support his application.	All in favour
13	A.O.B.	
	Vincent wanted to know why there was a high police presence on	
	Blisworth this week, April advised there was a family that had a lodger and the lodger has mental health issues, he was not familiar with the area and he had an episode and the police were called and dealt with the situation. This lodger will not be back as a resident at that house.	
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