

Tinkers Bridge Residents Association. A.G.M.

Minutes for the 27th of February 2020

Attended: 13 people and 2 visitors.

Apologies and welcome .

No apologies. Welcome 2 visitors. Donna Fuller from Woughton Community Council and Mhay Green from MK Council, Resident Involvement Team.

Committee stands down and new committee selected.

Donna presided over the voting in of the new committee.

Dave Lee proposed John Orr as the new Chairperson, seconded by Ron Ellis, Bill Fuller and Cliff Green. John accepted.

John nominated Liz O'Shea as the secretary, seconded by Dave, Cliff, Ron. Liz accepted.

John nominated Antonia Lifu as Treasurer and as additional signatory on TBRA bank account, seconded by Bill and Cliff.

Bill nominated Cliff as Vice Chairperson, seconded by Liz. Cliff accepted.

John nominated Ron, as Environmental Officer, seconded by Cliff.

Ron nominated Terry and Derick Weller as assistants, seconded by Ron. All three accepted.

John nominated Dave as IT co-ordinator, seconded by Liz. Dave accepted.

John nominated Sheila Taylor as Funding Officer, seconded by Ron, Cliff and Bill. Sheila accepted.

John nominated Sarah Mitchell, in her absence, as editor of The Bridge and children's events, seconded by Bill, Ron and Cliff.

John proposed Bill Fuller, Caroline Bell and Barbara ? as additional members of the committee, seconded by Bill and Cliff. All three accepted.

All were duly elected.

Minutes of the last meeting

To be presented at the next meeting

Chairs report.

John spoke of his main objectives for the year, as chairman, as getting more residents involved in the Residents Association.

John proposed we reaffirm the mandate for the working group to carry on planning and putting the R.A.'s ideas into action. The proposal was carried by a unanimous show of hands.

Guest speaker Donna Fuller. Woughton Community Council.

Donna reports that they are still working on parking issues.

7 properties on Tinkers Bridge have reported being flooded. Donna needs to know of any others that were flooded or came near to being flooded. An open evening is being considered to discuss flooding issues, a time and venue yet to be decided.

A huge event to celebrate V.E. Day's 75th anniversary is planned for May 8th. To take place in Coffee Hall council rooms and the church.

Donna is lobbying about the inadequacy of the street lighting. Ron says they can be turned up but Donna says they are sometimes in the wrong place and not always working.

We discussed the problems we have had with making an application to the Public Realm improvement Fund. Donna says she will investigate other pots of money to fund speed humps but thinks we may have more success with a 20MPH speed restriction.

The issue of who has the right of way onto the dual carriage way V8 from Aldenam. Apparently cars leaving Tinkers Bridge have the right of way. It was agreed that this would be useful to put in The Bridge.

ACTION SARAH.

Police ask that we be vigilant as some stolen cars are turning up on Tinkers Bridge. There is Police forum at the meeting place on Feb. 28th.

Guest speaker. Mhay Green of the Residents Involvement Team.

The Residents Association accreditation is due in April. Mahy asks that all documentation be sent in ASAP. Mhay praised Sheila for all her organised work in this area.

ACTION WORKING GROUP

Mhay needs a list of all the committee members. **ACTION WORKING GROUP**

Mhay wants names of all the council tenants, if any, who want to be on council panels.

ACTION WORKING GROUP

Mhay says that we need to register a participant for the upcoming training courses soon . A particular person need not be named yet. **ACTION WORKING GROUP**

Treasurers report

Mavis was not present so there was no report. Sheila said that the accounts are now with Ruth, the auditor, who says they are in order.

Environmental report & first steps working group update.

John asked Ron to report to the council that's Mears are not clearing away their rubbish when work is carried out on a house. This is because independent rubbish collection is now used and is not longer 'in house'.

ACTION RON.

MKC consultations.

2 consultations to mention.

1. Regeneration strategy. RORE says it does not mention the why of regeneration, so, it still valid ? If not their money should be spent on general improvements and maintenance rather than focusing on pulling houses down and rebuilding others.
2. MK 20250 consultation. The council wants to double the size of Mk . Do we want this ? A document is available to read their policy and a group response would be advantageous . John has volunteered to look into this. Lots of discussion about why it is not acceptable.

ACTION JOHN. To work on the response.

John to write to the council to find out how much tenants are engaged in the development of council houses and how much say they have in the maintenance of the their houses.

ACTION JOHN

Funding committee update.

From 2019-2020 there have been 2 grants from MK council

1. For the health check for the Residents association
2. Community grant funding . £800 for winter activities.

Woughton community council money paid for our sea side trip.

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MK development partnership gave us £500 for the raised flower beds.

Councillor Hannah O'Neil has agreed to make a grant for the newsletter. Sheila has asked her for £300.

Sheila thanked John Orr for the £200 he gave and was used for the Easter Egg Hunt and the wooden bin in the play park.

Sheila asks for more volunteers to help her with the funding. This plea to go in The Bridge.

ACTION SARAH

A round of applause was given for all Sheila's hard work and organisation which was endorsed by Mhay.

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Approval for funding to be sought for web site, seaside coach, summer fun day, pantomime trip, Christmas party, Easter egg hunt, summer arts and crafts for children, and newsletter.

It is minuted that a unanimous vote was taken to ask for funding from this February 2020 to February 2021, for all of the above.

AOB

Ron says we are waiting on a report about the walk about from Colin the Environmental Officer from Mk Council.

Thanks is given to Mavis Boatwright, who is standing down as Treasurer. It was agreed Mavis has done a fantastic job of organising the account and therefore making it easier for a new person to take over the role.

Next AGM 25th February 2021.

Next R.A. Meeting. 26th March.

