

Leybourne Park Residents Association

Committee Meeting 23rd August 2018

Notes of meeting

Present: Ray Haffenden, Liz Simpson, Mickey Morris

Apologies: Shaz Newbury, Rupert Keppel White, Lara Odenewu, Nikki Percival, Lewis Pound

Howard

Actions from last meeting

• Fun Day:

Agreed to hold on Sunday 21st of July 2019 (Larkfield Picnic in the Rec, 7th July 2019, East Malling Picnic in Park likely to be Sunday 23rd June 2019)

• Use of social media:

Agreed that changes to Association Facebook page had had the desired result generally, although there had been a two recent postings which had generated the sort of comments we were striving to avoid.

Ray has set up contact form and d email address is readily available on website to deal with enquiries, comments, complaints etc.

Likely to do a door to door survey following on from E&M survey (see below)

Parking update:

- Work has been completed on the pinch point on Sherwood and nearly completed on pinch point adjacent to 20 22 Eaton Place. The next step in drive to improve safety on the estate (allowing free movement of vehicles particularly fire engines) will be to renew double yellow lines and then remove the bollards outside 15 20 Ingram Close and between 38 and 39 Ingram Close. Double yellow lines will then be painted at junctions of Papyrus and Abery and Bellingham Way and Abery. It is expected that the work will be completed within the next month.
- Once completed yellow lines and any obvious obstructions at junctions will be enforced.
- Creation of further parking spaces on site will be expensive and so cannot be done in the short term.
- There are issues with some householders having appropriated visitor bays and renumbered them and some others parking in other households' numbered bays. We will ask First Port to check the plans of the estate against what is the reality on the ground.

- We will also ask First Port to reissue parking permits with the parking bay numbers on them.
- Still keen to pursue the possibility of residents parking in Papyrus Way. The initial feedback from Andy Edwards at TMBC was negative currently but suggested that there might be possibility of parking on Papyrus Way if Bellingham Way is opened-up.

Section 20 Work

- The contractor nominated by LPRA has been invited to tender.
- Residents are still receiving demands for payment for decorating that has yet to take place and being advised they have incurred admin charges for nonpayment. This has been going on for some weeks and Liz will write to Georgia and Darren from First Port and E&M to complain

Replacement of First Port as managing agents

- E&M have notified us that there was a 20% response rate to the Residents Survey and that they have asked First Port to carry out a number of actions and have told them that there will be a review in November.
- However, the survey was only sent to leaseholders and not the houses which is odd as the freeholders also pay service charge
- Ray has had no response to his request to know why freeholders had not been consulted
- Liz will write to E&M and to request a response to that question and also to ask for a copy of the survey results.

Impromptu site meeting 21st August 2018

Ray, Mickey and Lara had had an impromptu meeting looking, in particular, at the problem of cigarette ends on the site, particularly around the housing association flats. Agreed that we would purchase some terracotta pots and fill with sand to place next to flat doors. We would ask Hyde and Golding to empty the cigarette ends out.

We had received reports of the smell of "weed" from part of the estate and the belief that one of the flats might be being used for growing marijuana. This will be reported to Hyde Housing as we are not responsible for policing the estate.

Next meeting: 20th September 2018 7.30 Bricklayer's Arms