# **Belsize Residents Association**

Minutes of Committee Meeting held at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 10th January 2018 at 43A Lancaster Grove, NW3 4HB

Present: Prabhat Vaze (Chair), Judith Farbey, Neil Harris, Michael Jampel, Anne Stevens,

Barrie Tankel, Sarah Courtin

Apologies for absence: Sanya Polescuk, Consuelo Phelan, Lelia Secter

## Minutes of last meeting:

Minutes of December meeting: agreed

# **BRA** business

- HS2 Road Safety Fund: PV to write re BRA concern over and suggestions for mitigating lorry movement disruptions
- 2. The Winch/BCL: report from LS re any meeting with new chairman and any proposed BRA involvement. c/f to February
- 3. Local Elections: AS re review/update list of councillors given gratis membership. c/f to February.
- 4. S. Hampstead High School, hoarding and dead trees in College Crescent: Council reply to MJ says planning application under consideration for additional work before barriers removed (App. ref. 2017/6770P).
- Noticeboards: awaiting response from council re damage to Village board.
  Haverstock Hill board: monitor to resign shortly, committee expressed thanks etc.
  Request for volunteers to replace monitor in Newsletter and AS to email local members.
- 6. BRA status: final version of constitution and proposed name agreed (Belsize Society or BelSoc for short). MJ completing application forms to Charities Commission. Treasurer says no change necessary to auditing arrangements for charity status. AS to conflate explanatory notes for NL and AGM.

# **Planning**

1. Report on planning applications

Comments/objections: 2

2017/6757/P 5 Chalcot Gardens 2017/6644/P 5 Chalcot Gardens

No comments: 0

- 2. 100 .Avenue Road CMP (comments allowed until 31.01.18 and 15.02.18): BRA (PV) to make two comments to council: first, to persuade council to insist all traffic moves via A41 Avenue Road. EL unlikely to accept, especially given no information on timing of CS11 construction for lay-by. Second point is commencement of unauthorised demolition works; Camden should not grant certificate of lawful development because conditions for planning permission and section 106 have not been met. BRA to consider legal position on this point.
- 3. Sir Richard Steele closure for building works. BRA concerned about eventual reopening of pub with existing character as other pubs within group have never re-opened. JF to mention to councillors who also wished to keep pub open.
- 4. Camden Site Allocations review closes 09.02.18: results of discussion between PV, BT & SP. c/f to February
- 5. Mayor's Draft London Plan: PV to check and contact Andrew Dismore re inclusion of item about "no longer rejecting applications in order to preserve the character of historic areas" (draft included in Camden Planning Policy Newsletter for Winter 2017)

# **Trees**

Report on applications
 Comments/objections: 2

12 Akenside Road 6 Parkhill Road No comments: 10

#### **Publications**

- 1. Newsletter for February: David Gluckman interview, AGM & new BRA status + TYCT
- 2. 2018 Newsletter publishing dates:

|          | Copy to Editor | To Printer | To Distributor |
|----------|----------------|------------|----------------|
| February | 28.01.18       | 05.02.18   | 08.02.18       |
| May      | 15.04.18       | 14.05.18   | 17.05.18       |
| August   | 22.07.18       | 13.08.18   | 16.08.18       |
| November | 28.10.18       | 12.11.18   | 15.11.18       |

#### **Events**

- 1. Councillors Meeting on 19.11.17: JF to circulate minutes to councillors
- 2. Carol Singing review: very good attendance, especially given very wet and cold weather. New music leader very encouraging to singers and prepared to lead 2018 event. Event raised satisfactory£254.85 for the Marie Curie Hospice.
- 3. Event Management: JF wishes to pass responsibility to someone else as fully occupied by Newsletter. Would LS be interested *c/f to February*
- 4. Future event suggestions: concert by Primrose Hill Choir and performance by Central School of Drama to be held in BCL. New members event.
- 5. Hustings for council elections: JF wishes to discuss. *c/f to February*
- 6. AGM: JF to book synagogue. Main discussion will concern new BRA status. Final arrangements *c/f to February*

## **Finance**

- 1. Accounts for December 2017: agreed
- 2. Draft Statement of Accounts 2017: JT to audit during next week and discuss arrangements for new status with NH.

#### Membership

1. Changes in December:

New members: 1

# Any other business

Date of next meeting: Wednesday 14th February at 7.30pm

Location: 94A Belsize Lane, NW3 5BH