

BELSIZE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Committee meeting held at 19.30 on 11.05.16. at 14C Belsize Square

Attendees

>Prabhat Vaze, Judith Farbey, Neil Harris, Barrie Tankel, Sanya Poleskuk, Sarah Courtin

Apologies

>Anne Stevens, Maria O'Sullivan, Consuelo Phelan, Alex Crisp

Minutes of last meeting

>Minutes of April meeting approved

Belsize Business

>Noticeboards: NH will pursue

>Belsize village photos to be offered for sale at Garden party on 26th June and other suitable events.

Holdovers and progress reports from April meeting (not covered elsewhere)

>Neighbourhood Forum meeting on 17.05.16. SP and BT to attend. Interest in views of whether forum boundaries should be kept to Belsize Ward or include Swiss Cottage, particularly Winchester Road.

Action: SP to report at June meeting,

>Belsize Community Library: BRA meeting with Friends of BCL re Winch proposals:

BCL belongs to the church and can only be used for education or as library or residential house. Camden and Winch not forthcoming about exact conditions of lease. Winch thinking of renting out to children's charity/creche. BCL wish to keep as library and would like to take over as CIC (Community Interest Co.)

Action: M'O to follow up and investigate possibility of subsidies from bookshops (?and/or publishers) such as Daunts.

Planning Applications

>16 applications were reviewed with 4 meriting comments/objections.

>Sir Richard Steele now for sale. Change of use and new planning applications to be monitored.

>HS2: Petition has been lodged in House of Lords and BRA will consult with residents in due course.

>192 Haverstock Hill: Sainsbury's has withdrawn application.

>Draft Clean Air Consultation response: targeted at individuals, not associations. Actual proposals acceptable so no further action.

Tree Applications

>Comments/objections: 2

2 Upper Park Road: remove 3 x elder, 2 x cypress - no reason given

25 Lancaster Grove: rear, remove 1 x copper beech - healthy, mature, not causing damage.

>No comment: 8

45 Belsize Square

28 Belsize Park Gardens

20 Maresfield Gardens

20 Lyndhurst Road

10 Eton Avenue

30 Daleham Gardens

Stanbury Court, 99 Haverstock Hill (2 applications)

Events

>JF planning new events such as local get togethers and, based on success of Belsize film, investigating possibility of more film showings.

Finance

>Accounts for April 2016 approved.

Publications

>Newsletter: request for submissions from AC.

JF to write appreciation of Pat Holden.

>"What's On" notifications: being researched by M'O.

Membership

>Changes for March & April 2016 carried over to June meeting.

>Membership nos: some discussion about increasing membership, including benefits of being member and possibility of revitalising paper form but further thoughts to await June meeting when AS will be present.

Any other Business

>Swiss cottage CS11: possibility of new Mayor's interest.

Next Meeting

>Date: Wednesday 8th June 2016

>Venue: Flat 1, 20 Netherall Gardens, NW3 5TH