

Belsize Residents Association

Minutes of Committee Meeting held at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 13th December 2017
at Flat 1, 20 Netherhall Gardens, NW3 5TH

Present: Prabhat Vaze (Chair), Neil Harris, Consuelo Phelan, Anne Stevens, Sarah Courtin

Apologies for absence: Judith Farbey, Michael Jampel, Sanya Polescuk, Lelia Sector, Barrie Tankel

Minutes of last meeting:

Minutes of November meeting: agreed

BRA business

1. HS2 Road Safety Fund: BRA concerned about lorry movements so suggest most effective deterrent would be temporary width restriction posts in residential streets, except those used by buses. (PV)
2. The Winch/BCL: report from LS re any meeting with new chairman and any proposed BRA involvement. *c/f to January*
3. Local Elections: AS to review/update list of councillors given gratis membership.
4. BRA status: AS to circulate final version of constitution. Further consideration to be given to proposed name

Planning

1. Report on planning applications
Comments/objections: 4
2017/4540/P pavement at 44 Belsize Park Gardens
2017/6064/P Hillfield Close
2017/6198/P 3 Belsize Park Mews
2017/6977/P 10 Maresfield Gardens
No comments: 4
2. 100 .Avenue Road: CMP now on Camden website with instructions how to reply to proposals. All residents still very unhappy about open space and Winchester Road usage where residents particularly worried about 14 lorry journeys a day. Viability of EL proposals dependant on CS11 building works being completed which enables loading 'layby' on Avenue Rd. BRA (PV) to write to Camden saying demolition should not be allowed until CS11 built (or at least until Swiss Cottage portion complete). Also to point out that there may be cast-iron water mains/drains in Winchester Road so road maybe totally unsuitable for many heavy lorries, that the Adelaide Road turn into Winchester Road is very sharp - for large vehicles and that the school run lasts considerably longer than EL's estimate of 3-4pm.
3. Camden Site Allocations review closes 09.02.18: PV to discuss with BS & SP
4. Mayor's Draft London Plan: to be checked, particularly 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): PV to check and maybe contact Andrew Dismore

Trees

1. Report on applications
Comments/objections: 5
1 Daleham Gardens
44 Fellows Road
Avenue House, Belsize Park Gardens
Southbank International School, Netherhall Gardens

10 Lyndhurst Gardens

No comments: 13

Publications

1. Newsletter for November: complimented by the committee
2. Website analytics summary: discussed popularity of newsletter page after publication and possibility of lifting certain pages from NL to website.

Events

1. Councillors Meeting on 19.11.17: any matters arising *c/f to January*
2. Carol Singing: Committee members asked to arrive at 4.15 plus mince pies
3. Event Management: JF wishes to pass responsibility to someone else as fully occupied by Newsletter. Would LS be interested *c/f to January*
4. Hustings for council elections: JF wishes to discuss at January meeting

Finance

1. Accounts for November 2017: agreed
2. Christmas donations/gifts: C4WS Winter night shelter £200 donation agreed. Thanks received for Belsize Village lights and from DS for flowers

Membership

1. Changes in November
New members: 1 plus 40 renewals

Any other business

1. S. Hampstead High School, hoarding and dead trees in College Crescent: BRA/CP to write to council and head teacher following reply to MJ from council,
2. Belsize Village Noticeboard damage: Senior Monitor from council to check and phone or email SC by 18.12.17. NB: Veolia now deal with bicycle removals

Date of next meeting: Wednesday 10th January at 7.30pm

Location: 43A Lancaster Grove, NW3 4HB