

TILE KILN RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION
Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 24th September 2007

Present: 20 residents attended, together with committee members.

- 1) The meeting commenced with tea and coffee.
- 2) **Apologies** were received from Brian Torrie.
- 3) **Minutes of the last A.G.M.** These were taken as complete and correct.
- 4) **Matters arising from the last Minutes.** Roy went through the points that had been mentioned or raised, and reported on any progress regarding these points.
- 5) **Annual Report**
Roy reported on the various items undertaken during the year. Daffodils had been planted and more sites will be found for more daffodils. A Christmas “Get Together” for all those involved in the distribution of “Birds Eye View” was held as a “thank you”. The extra posts were installed by the public phone box to deter anti-social parking that continues to be put children at risk. The good relationship with Jackie Lane from Chelmsford Borough Council continues and thanks go to her for the assistance she has given from time to time. Nothing further has been heard regarding the Orange phone mast and local residents are remaining vigilant in case there is any activity in the area. We send a representative or two to the Moulsham Lodge & Tile Kiln Police Consultative Group and also to the new Neighbourhood Action Panel and Tile Kiln and although their aims are similar and we will continue to be represented at these meetings. The first is a public meeting and the second led by the Police is by invitation to representatives from all walks of life in the District. Our relationship with PCSO Sandra Strange is strong and we welcome, and thank her, for the good work she is doing with young people on the estate. Roy reported with regret that our Secretary, Anita Bartrum, is standing down but will remain on the committee.
- 6) **Treasurer’s Report**
John went through the accounts. He thanked Mike for his continued support through the collection box within the shop, and also for all other donations received. Again we have received no invoices from the firm carrying out the printing of BEV and it must be borne in mind that if an invoice is received, this sum will be deducted from the balance at bank. The Neighbourhood Watch account has had no movement during the year and stands at £73.77. The two accounts will now be run as one. John thanked Mandy Gooch for auditing the accounts.
- 7) **Neighbourhood Report**
Peter drew attention to several leaflets that had been placed on chairs at the meeting and stated that the big problems continue to be parking on roads, and speeding through the estate. Peter gave details of the person to report any anti-social parking to, and details will also be put in the next issue of BEV.

He reported on an event organised – “Celebration of Youth” – which had been a great success.

At this point Peter asked PCSO Sandra Strange to give details of the “Drop in Centre” that she has been instrumental in organising. All present were impressed, and pleased, that something was being done to keep the young people from outside shops and street corners. This “Centre” takes place at Moulsham School via the Gloucester Avenue gates.

8) **Election of Committee**

As the current committee had volunteered to stand again it was unanimously agreed for all to be elected for another year. Pat Blackwood agreed to take over the post of Secretary.

9) **Date of next A.G.M.** This will be fixed at the next committee meeting.

10) **Appointment of Auditor**

Mandy had agreed to continue as Auditor.

11) **Any other business**

- a) Ken Desborough-Hunt raised the problem of anti-social parking which, in some cases, cause a risk to pedestrians. Peter agreed to contact the person in charge of the appropriate department and ask for his advice on how to deal with this problem. Roy also suggested that residents should contact one of the two councillors for the area. Ken Desborough-Hunt took the opportunity to thank Sandra Strange for the setting-up of the “Drop in Centre”.
- b) Brian Whitelaw stated that the parking had become a problem because many residents do not use their garages and following an incident near his own property he had reported the matter to the Police, then he had written to the Council, but nothing had been done to solve his particular problem. Roy felt parking was something that the committee could do very little about but asked that an article be put in BEV to try to get the message across to all residents who park with little or no consideration to others. Roy will be attending a consultative meeting and he will raise the subject with the Police and ask how they prioritise calls of complaint regarding inconsiderate parking. John Shipp stated that he could remember a condition being written into all contracts by Wimpeys stating that no commercial vehicles were to be parked on the estate. This will be checked.
- c) John Carlo reported the receipt of two letters stating great exception to the article in BEV regarding parking on grass verges and thereby spoiling the display of daffodils. It was felt that the article was justified since the flowers had been planted for the benefit of all residents.
- d) John Pearce asked if an article could again be included in BEV advising residents to obtain a certificate from Neighbourhood Watch to give to their insurers, thereby giving them a discount on their insurance.

The meeting finished at 9.30 p.m.

