TILE KILN RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 5th March 2007

Present: Roy Knivett (Chairman)

John Carlo (Treasurer) Arthur Salmon (BEV Editor) Anita Bartram (Secretary) Peter Duthie (NHW)

Jan Duthie (Minute Secretary) Adrian Faiers (Web Master)

1) **Apologies received from:** Linda and Sue Hill

2) Minutes of previous meeting

These were accepted.

3) Matters arising

- a) Sue Hill is interested in becoming a committee member but was unable to attend tonight's meeting. Following the Christmas "get-together" Sue Sharp had said she would consider joining the committee and a copy of these Minutes will be sent to both ladies.
- b) Adrian reported that one of the shrubs put in Skylark Walk had been removed.

4) Financial Report

John reported several outgoings and deposits since the last meeting. The balances on both accounts were as follows:

TKRA £755.76 Neighbourhood Watch £73.77

No invoice has been received from the printers since last May. It was agreed that we wait to see if an invoice is sent in the near future. It was suggested that if a certificate is issued for house insurance purposes then a charge should be made of £1 for NHW funds. Peter reported that there may be the chance of a grant from Chelmsford Borough Council to cover Neighbourhood Watch costs. This grant could also be used to cover some of the cost of BEV. John asked if perhaps the time is right to transfer the money held in connection with the phone mast into the TKRA account. This matter will be put forward at the next AGM.

5) Neighbourhood Watch Report

Peter distributed the current Neighbourhood Watch news letter and gave details of a Quiz to be held on 27th April. Various other leaflets were handed round and discussed. Peter reported on several incidents that had occurred on Tile Kiln. A new Pc will be on duty within the Estate area as from next week and PSO Strange is already in action in the area and has already made a good impression. Peter suggested that some committee members might like to get involved with the "Community Speed Watch" scheme working in pairs on a voluntary basis. Roy suggested that a special meeting be convened with the PCSO to discuss this new project and then details of the estate's and the committee's involvement could be mentioned in the next issue of BEV. Peter said the Council has now acquired a mobile CCTV system and that perhaps this could be borrowed for use at the shops area if the need arose. Perhaps we should inform Mike of the Convenience Store.

Roy suggested that this could also be discussed at the special meeting with PCSO Strange. A provisional date of 18th April was suggested for this meeting.

6) **BEV**

It was agreed that any commercial advertiser not living on the estate would be charged £40 to advertise. John offered to contact the Video Shop and "Friends" to see if they wanted to advertise. Anita suggested an Editorial in each issue and Roy offered to deal with this. The next issues of BEV will be in May and August.

- 7) a) Press release this has been done by Adrian but it has not yet been published in the local paper.
 - b) Roy will take photographs of the daffodils and these will be put on the website. Copies will also be given to the schools to show to the children who had helped with the planting.

8) Council matters

- a) There will be a Parks Friends meeting on 9th March. A letter had been received regarding this meeting and Roy replied stating that the matter of Chelmer Park will be discussed at our meeting on 5th March. A reply was received in respect of his letter asking that if any problems arose within the park they would welcome being informed so that they can see if they can help in any way. Linda had been informed that funding had been received for a BMX track at Chelmer Park and this will be discussed at a meeting on Friday, 9th March. Roy will e-mail Freda Mountain regarding this meeting.
- b) Walkabout with Jackie Lane It was suggested that something from the NEAT newsletter be included in BEV. It was agreed that Jackie Lane had done a lot of good work for the estate.

9) ML and TK Community Consultative Group

John and Peter had attended this meeting and John reported that several PCSOs had also attended and this had had a good effect on the meeting. There were still rumours surrounding the pylon site and it was thought this site may be used as an access road for further development within the estate. The shop area appears to have become quieter with fewer complaints.....

10) Any other business

- a) Arthur asked if more trees could be planted and this will be discussed at a later meeting.
- b) Anita asked for the date for the AGM to be fixed and 24th September was suggested.
- c) Whitbread Action Earth no decision appears to have been taken whether this will be supported this year.

The meeting finished at 10.10 p.m.

The next meeting was provisionally arranged for 18th April at which hopefully PCSO Sandra Strange will attend. Peter will arrange. Venue at present unknown.