

**TILE KILN RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION
AND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH
Minutes of meeting held on 29th October 2007**

Present: Roy (Chairman), Arthur, Linda, John, Peter, Jan, Pat

- 1) **Apologies:** Adrian, Dave and Claire
- 2) **Minutes of the meeting held on 1st August 2007**
These were approved.
- 3) **Matters arising**
There were no matters arising.
- 4) **Financial Report**
John reported various donations received. £73.37 had been transferred from the Neighbourhood Watch account into the TKRA account. Several amounts had been paid out – speed watch training – hire of hall for AGM - £100 to the Swimming Club towards insurance – and a sum for bulbs. Advertising income had been received.
Balance at bank £899.82 (plus £10 John is holding.....)
- 5) **Neighbourhood Watch**
Community speed watch training had been undertaken by some of the committee. Peter circulated a sample sheet that would have to be completed while on a speed watch. The committee members will liaise with the Police as to what areas are being covered. Peter, John and Roy had attended some NAP meetings. Peter quoted from the Minutes of the last meeting which drew attention to several well known problems in the area, i.e., parking, gathering of youths outside the shops. 16th January 2008 is the date of the next meeting of NAP at Moulsham School. Peter distributed the latest Neighbourhood Watch news letter.
Peter mentioned that at a meeting of the Police/Council Acquisitive Crime concert and the Jamboree and these are now available to borrow if thought necessary, e.g. Robin Way shops perhaps.
Roy stressed how important it is to keep contact with the Police Consultative meetings because matters raised at these meetings are always acted on.
- 6) **AGM on 24th September 2007**
Peter circulated draft copies of the Minutes for approval. At the meeting a major problem was voiced with regard to inconsiderate parking. This seems to be a problem that no-one is able to tackle, with even the Police saying their “hands are tied” with regard to a solution for this.
- 7) **Two letters of complaint**
John handed out a draft reply to the two letters of complaint were received just prior to the AGM and the Committee agreed this letter says all that needs to be said and hopefully this will be the end of the matter. Arthur stated that now there is only one car parked continually on the grass verge in question and the Committee felt that this matter should be reported to the Council Highways Department – a note of the registration number will be passed to the Council.

- 8) **Bulb planting**
Jackie Lane had written asking for suggestions as to where bulbs were needed and a suggested date for planting was given – Saturday, 10th November. A bag of daffodils and crocuses will be donated. Roy will prepare a plan of where the crocuses could be planted and the daffodils will go in the plots as agreed last year. Roy will tell Jackie Lane that we are again trying to involve the schools in this venture.
- 9) **Committee member contact details**
John distributed details of all committee members contact details.
- 10) **BEV – Feb 2008 Issue**
This matter will be discussed in full at the next meeting when Dave and Claire will be resent.
- 11) **The year ahead**
- a) Peter suggested another “get together” of everyone involved with TKRA, including those who help with the distribution of BEV as it was such a success last year. Linda will speak to Anita on this. Watch this space.
 - b) Distribution of BEV – Auntie “Bev” had been doing this for a long time and has now decided to “retire” and someone is needed to organise this. John offered to undertake this task. Pat has all the street distributor names and will liaise with John.
 - c) Arthur suggested another “litter pick-up” in the Shops car park area and John offered to do this while others are doing the bulb planting.
 - d) Jan suggested having a “best kept garden” competition with a decent prize offered to be held in 2008. Advertise in the next BEV
 - e) It was suggested that speed monitoring should be done at regular intervals and plans will be drawn up when Dave and Claire are back from holiday. All the equipment is kept in their garage.
 - f) Another “Christmas Lights” competition was suggested and at this point Arthur was asked if he could take on the responsibility of updating the website. It was agreed that Arthur will speak to Adrian on this with the view to getting more residents looking at the website.
 - g) Peter suggested that a copy of the draft Minutes of the AGM be put in the next issue of BEV and also be put on the website.
- 12) **Date of next meeting** – 14th January 2008 at 7.45 pm at Linda`s home.
- 13) **Any other business**
- a) Roy had brought some apples from home and offered them to committee members to take home. They soon disappeared.
 - b) John said he would pass the cheque book to Peter before he went on holiday.

The meeting finished at about 9.30 pm with thanks to Linda for her hospitality.