



Great Western Park Residents Association Minutes

Date and Time:	Monday 11 th December 2017 at 7.30pm	
Place:	Pavilion, Boundary Park	
Attendees:	David Brignall (Vice-Chair) – DB Natalie Hudson (Secretary) - NH Dave Roberts (BPSA Rep.) – DR	John Boden – JB Ian Snowdon – IS Tammi Williams – TW Yasmin McGoldrick - YM

Agenda

Item	Agenda Item
1	Apologies for absence
2	Minutes of previous meeting
3	Matters arising
4	Correspondence
5	Report back (from officers)
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7	Q & A
8	AOB
9	Close meeting – date of next meeting

Action No	Action
1.	Committee to discuss dog waste bin proposal and action if appropriate.

Item No.	Action/Discussion	Action By
1.	Apologies: Gareth Clarke – Chairman (meeting chaired by Vice-Chair) Paula Walters – Treasurer Rachel Barbaresi – Arts Officer	
2.	Minutes of previous meeting: Reviewed and agreed as a true account of the last meeting.	All present
3.	Matters arising:	

	<p>3.1 Litter pick Further to previous discussion regarding litter at GWP, Chair emailed Rebecca Bowker (Taylor Wimpey GWP Project Manager) – still awaiting action. Chair and residents have set up a litter committee – contact litter@gwpra.org.uk The committee includes John Stephens, Paul Costello – help provide equipment/disposal. Tammi Williams, Yasmin Murray, Mark Bodeker, Hannah Wilson – help provide volunteers. A dedicated stakeholder meeting will take place in January 2018 to address developer and Council issues and formulate a long-term plan. A community litter pick event is to be organised in the new year. IS advised that SODC has a member of staff who can help find volunteers for assisting with this event and others. He will liaise directly with the litter committee.</p> <p>3.2 No cold caller zones Chair has looked into this scheme. It may be difficult to implement at GWP as it is such a large development. Chair has obtained a limited supply of stickers for residents which will be distributed at the January meeting. Residents can then choose to limit cold calling by displaying the sticker on an individual basis.</p>	
4.	<p>Correspondence:</p> <p>4.1 Community Noticeboards – Rachel Barbaresi Proposal stage 2 has now been received. Rachel and the artist are due to attend the GWPRA meeting in January and present proposal.</p>	
5.	<p>Report back (from officers):</p> <p>5.1 Community Defibrillator Project Training 17 people attended the training event. Further training opportunities to be arranged early 2018.</p> <p>5.2 Christmas Event GWP Christmas event took place last Friday. £165.10 raised from the raffle, 112 attendees (majority pre-booked online). The event would not have been financially viable without supporters. Lots of positive feedback received - children loving “Elsa” singing and the snow disco. VOWH District Councillor, Reg Waite attended to support the event. Feedback from residents who attended that it was well supported and well organised. Residents gave thanks to the Chairman and those involved in organising and supporting the event.</p> <p>5.3 Road safety project Vice-Chair confirmed that today Ian Snowdon, District Councillor, has approved the grant application for the full £3,700 project funding. The plan is to buy a ‘Truvelo’ legally recognised device to record data of vehicles speeding at GWP. GWPRA will own the device and can loan it out to other local groups. This will help to</p>	

	<p>identify safety concerns and problems prior to SODC adopting the road. Residents spoke about their safety concerns particularly when trying to cross the road near the shop. Resident advised that the Council will say that as the speed limit is 20mph, there is no need for pedestrian crossings.</p>	
6.	<p>Things to be discussed:</p> <p>n/a</p>	
7.	<p>Q & A:</p> <p>7.1 Dog waste bins Resident YM asked if bins dispensing bags can be placed at points around GWP for dog walkers to use. They have been advised to contact Taylor Wimpey. Vice-Chair has visited the Sylva Foundation at Long Wittenham – carpenters there produce wooden dog waste bins. May be worth speaking to the Arts Officer about the possibility of using some of the arts money to assist. YM has spoken to a company (Pogi's) which makes biodegradable dog waste bags and they have agreed to sponsor the bins and provide the bags. Committee to discuss this proposal and action if appropriate.</p> <p>7.2 Street lighting Resident is a late-night runner and there are no street lights around their house. Vice-Chair advised that this issue has been previously reported to Taylor Wimpey and they are apparently looking into it. Also, no road signs or signs placed incorrectly. IS advised to report to 'fix my street' and he agreed to look into the road sign issue.</p>	Committee
8.	<p>AOB:</p> <p>8.1 Waste collection Waste collection services have had fires in their bin lorries recently – likely to be as a result of batteries/devices placed in wheelie bins. Reminder to residents that lithium batteries are not to be placed in wheelie bins – they can be left in clear plastic bags left on top of the bin for collection and safe disposal.</p> <p>8.2 GWPRA Facebook page General discussion about the use of the GWPRA Facebook page. IS stated that it is invaluable as it allows him to respond to problems and queries quickly and easily.</p>	
9.	<p>Close meeting. The meeting was closed at 8.10pm.</p> <p>Next meeting: Monday 8th January 2018 at 7.30pm, Boundary Park Pavilion.</p>	