**KENLEY & DISTRICT RESIDENTS’ ASSOCIATION**

**Minutes of the 577th Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 10th May at 7.30pm**

**at the Kenley Memorial Hall (Tasker Room)**

**Present: Tony Avery (TA); Christine Heal (CH); Tony Heal (TH); Geoff James (GJ); Paul Keating (PK) Angela Morrison (AM).**

**Apologies: Linda Richman (LR); Conor Campion (CC); John Davenport (JD); Cllrs Ola Kolade (OK) and Gayle Gander (GG).**

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| **577** | CH welcomed all attendees and announced apologies for absence (see note at AOB). Point of note: the meeting was quorate as at least 5 members including 2 officers were present. |  |
| **577.1** | **Minutes of Previous Meeting (12.04.22)**The minutes having been circulated and updated prior to meeting were agreed. Only unresolved matter – limit of the Ward boundary does extend to lower Riddlesdown (map supplied by new councillor GG). |  |
| **577.2** | **LBC**(a) May 5th Local Elections: i) Jason Perry elected as Croydon’s first democratically independent  Mayor of a council with No Overall Control. ii) Ola Kolade (OK) re-elected and Gayle Gander (GG) elected to serve Kenley Ward (b) Kenley Community Fund – GJ advised next meeting will be May 17th when LBC are expected to respond to our written report advising what benefits Kenley can expect to be delivered on this project.**Police**Apologies from CC so no updates. OK advised by email that CC had been made aware of weapons sweep that would occur in our locality later this month. | **CC** |
| **577.3.1** | **COUNCIL/COMMITTEE ELECTIONS**CH had sent congratulatory emails to both Ward Councillors on their being voted in. Respectively, in their responses, and approved by the committee, they had accepted their proposed roles of President (OK) and Vice President (GG) of Kendra for the coming year.  |  |
| **577.3.2** | **KENDRA ADMIN**1. Overview of AGM. Decided it was a good, well run, meeting including using hired mikes – attended by 50+ members including committee.

Disappointing that there was no local Police presence (for only a short term duty!) and review given by our Police Liaison Officer CC. Chris Philp also detained at Westminster for a Government Vote so OK fulfilled three roles, that of CP, himself and Jan Buttinger (unwell), now retired as our Ward Councillor after 26 years. Vote of thanks given and a bouquet of flowers was presented to her at home the following morning.i) Of the motions approved at AGM, email from JD (in his absence from the AGM and this meeting) that the ‘Increase in Subscription resolution’ only grants the committee approval to raise subs, not to implement the actual increase. The committee now needs a formal motion on the agenda for a committee meeting, formally voted on by the committee, and duly minuted for it to be actioned (b) Need to update circulation lists for Committee and Councillors  following latest changes and resignations i.e. emails, Website and  Magazine.  | **ALL****TH****GJ/PK/TH** |
| **577.3.3** | **NOTICEBOARDS**Agreed we need to continue to ‘advertise for new Committee members and Road Stewards.  | **TA** |
| **577.3.4** | **KENDRA MAGAZINE**a)TA/TH have agreed a four issue timetable showing a six weekly production schedule covering Summer 2022 to Spring 2023 issues to be discussed, This is now to be sent to Magazine Setter (SL) for his input. b) Further discussion on whether Kendra could arrange a ‘Bumper’ issue for a Christmas / Winter to try and increase our membership. It was suggested it would help if current membership numbers are known to committee,i) Current timings appear to rule out a pre ‘Christmas’ Issue, with minimal seasonal adverts/articles. ii) To produce a bumper Winter Issue for general (bulk) delivery probably not be cost effective and could be onerous for road stewards.iii) More logical solution could be to produce a 4/8 page A4 booklet for delivery to roads (postcodes) needed to be targeted. PK has received some costings for delivering, but other avenues to be explored, e,g. Royal Mail, Delivery agent firms, Charity Groups – Scouts? | **TH/TA****JD****ALL** |
| **577.3.5** | **OTHER LOCAL ISSUES**ESTC meeting tomorrow 11th May. Another mainly about Train Services across the network. Croydon and Sutton Bus changes still held up while TfL sort out the funding for it. | **CH** |
| **577.3.6** | **LITTER ISSUES**PK has provisional date for next Litter Pick on 22nd May, but awaiting confirmation from the Don’t Mess with Croydon team as to their availability to remove the rubbish we collect.  | **PK** |
| **577.3.7** | **WATTENDEN POND**CH & TH reported that another work party was held Sat 7th May. More tidying, trimming new unwanted growth and mowing pathways. levelling of slope to provide a good ‘walk down’ into the crater.Welcome squash ‘drinks provided by Tracey of Wattenden Arms(WA)PK has now repaired the existing bench seat (newly formed lengths of oak). Another table set to be collected from WA arranging for area furniture to be secured in situ (chain locked into concrete)  | **PK** |
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| **576.4** | **COMMITTEE REPORTS**1. **Treasurer:**

 Ahead of meeting Treasurer had asked for any outstanding  invoices to be handed to her when available1. **Planning**:

GJ advised that, following Jason Perry election as Croydon’s Mayor, JP has cancelled the SPD2, the previous guide to which planning applications could be approved. Although existing plans in the system are likely to be approved using that guide, we wait to see what changes will now happen  | **CH/PK** |
| **576.5** | **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**1. A suggestion from AM for a Standing Agenda Item entitled – ‘Spending Our Funds’. This approach was highlighted by members at the recent AGM, e.g.
2. Working with Charity or other Local Groups e.g. Pick one a year or 3 for a 3 year period (Note: Can Kendra commit for such a timeframe?)
3. Another Kenley ‘Fun Day’. This we discussed.

Not previously a Kendra event - last actioned 5/6 years ago (?) and folded because of lack of interest/funding. Suggest it would need to be run independently with the necessary help from various groups/ supporters. Kendra could provide a representative and some funding. Not a viable or practical option for 2022, it would be planning now for 2023 – if there is enough interest for it. Contacts: Previous organisers/ KAFG/Local Schools/ Scouts and Guides etc / Other ‘fete’ options. Venue (?) Near Airfield (open air – weather issues) or with cover e.g.KMH/OLLBC) c) Show magazine being proactive e.g. ‘Kendra has funded the recent improvements to the Wattenden Pond’1. Committee Absences

It was noted that in view of the current ‘reduced’ number of Committee Members that everyone makes it their duty to attend these meetings. Where this is not possible that they are able to ‘link’ up via ZOOM at the given venue, so that they can participate in such discussion, rather than an opinion/observation given via email.  | **ALL** |
|  | **NEXT MEETING**The next Committee meeting to be held at KMH will be on Tuesday 14th June at 7.30 pm. Note ongoing refurb. works at Hall / around the site e,g. Car Park out of use | **ALL** |

**Signed…………………………………………. Date…………………………**