**MINUTES OF THE 597th KENLEY & DISTRICT RESIDENTS’ ASSOCIATION Meeting**

**held on Tuesday 9th April 2024 at Kenley Memorial Hall at 7.30 p.m.**

**Present: Christine Heal (CH); Tony Heal (TH); Geoff James (GJ); Tony Avery (TA); Mike Lott (ML).**

**Councillors: Gayle Gander (GG)**

**Apologies: Paul Keating (PK); Angela Morrison (AM); Linda Richman (LR) John Davenport (JD).**

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| **597** | CH welcomed everyone and gave apologies for the absentees |  |
| **597.1** | **Minutes of Last Meeting (No. 596 d/d 12.03.2024)**  The minutes having been circulated were agreed |  |
| **597.2** | **LBC:** GG informed  **Kenley Good Growth Fund:** Parkletsnow installed in OLL. Play space for children opposite shops is working well. Multiple Wayfinding signs have been erected across the Ward in the past month. They look good (one or two have needed correcting(!), but there’s been no publicity about them so residents have been asking questions.  **Library Consultation:** A number of libraries in the Croydon area are to be closed and then set up as Community Hubs with other services such as family and adult education services and community partnerships running alongside the library services. Currently ongoing to mid April – see LBC website to take part. |  |
| **597.3.1**  **597.3.2** | **Council News:**  **Planning:** GG advised that OK had referred 3 local applications s to Planning Committee, including a retrospective app to a ‘backland’ development in Golf Road, for which little is known. GJ has been trying to make comment with the owner to get more clarification.  **Kendra Admin**   1. **Committee Changes**   CS advised, and read out email dialogue, that AM would not be standing as Hon Treasurer at this AGM because of confliction issues regarding her own career. She was thanked for her 5 ½ years efforts holding that position and that AM would stay to maintain the role, but we needed to find a replacement ASAP.  ML advised that he was willing to assume the vacant committee role of Police Liaison Officer. Committee accepted his offer.   1. **Member Mojo –** GJ reported prior to the meeting that he had to purchase an increased Mailchimp licence to allow up to an 1000 names/membership in view of the new sign-up so far. 2. **Save a Life Day –** PK said it was all confirmed for Saturday 13th April with London Ambulance Brigade at KMH.Starting at 10.00 until 16.00. Main Instructor will give an introductory talk to the anticipated ‘hourly’ groups of attendees in Small Hall, and the other. ‘staff’ will demonstrate 1) Choking Relief and 2) Using a defibrillator PK has issued a resume of how the day should pan out and has engaged the 7th Purley Scouts to provide help at least until 1pm. 3. **New Committee & Speakers for AGM 30th April – Speakers engaged are at Met Police Team Sergeant,** Chris Philp (MP and Police Minister) GJ said Kenley Good Growth Fund (Steve Dennington is available to attend and summarise what has been achieved with the GGF in the 3 years it’s operated. GJ will speak about Member Mojo. CH will review the year and AM will report on accounts. Election of Officers and Committee including JD as a Committee member. All other members have agreed.   TH to arrange usual Wine /Soft drinks purchases. PK has booked microphones for the evening | **PK/ALL**  **ALL**  **TH/PK** |
| **596.3.3** | **Notice Boards**  TA said at the moment they will display the AGM Notice once the Save a Life Day event on 13th April has happened | **TA/PK** |
| **596.3.4** | **Magazine**  Spring 2024 Issue delivered early at start of Easter week. Revised layot format appreciated. Extra 200 mags printed to get them delivered into non AS/RS roads  The front cover ‘Star’ to get members to renew subscriptions online had worked. We had gotten some 50+ extra members plus 20 or so direct chq/cash payers.  GJ suggested the ‘Star’ is repeated for the Summer issue as a further membership drive encouragement. AR/RS will need to receive a listing of their members who are signed up / paid up so they know not to ask those residents for any subs. | **TH/PK**  **GJ/JD** |
| **597.3.5** | **Other Local Issues**   1. **Kenley Advisory Group** – Next gathering to b,e held on 22nd April at KMH 1- 2pm. 2. Proposed new 434 Bus Route from 02/03/24 to run every half hour to the top of Hayes Lane did not materialise. Response to our letter to TfL received and we have to await for outcome of Discussions between TfL and the council to resolve sight line issues in Watttendon Road | **CH/GJ**  **GG/CH** |
| **597.3.6** | **Litter Issues**  PK had advised the next Litter Pick is Sunday 14th April.  He was pleased that the Litterati Group had exceeded to 30 No. of Full Bags collected during the Great British Spring Clean in March.  Disposed NOX containers had posed a problem. LBC have since confirmed they can be collected with normal waste. |  |
| **597.3.7** | **Wattenden Pond. PK reported** No update so far. Weather has been against installing the Bug Homes made by the Scouts  Col Ranger offer of help at the pond has been passed to City of London Parks, Conclusion is it would be too expensive to try and re-install a different liner / solution. A ‘butterfly’ wild area would seem a more acceptable compromise. | **PK** |
| **597.4** | **Committee Reports**  **Treasurer:** AM reported ahead of meeting the 32023 Accounts had been signed off by the auditor (Jerry @ Kenley Financial Services). Committee agreed a thank you gift up to £50 to the auditor.  Bank balance remains healthy, no issues or concerns to raise here.  AM advised she will continue to miss meetings tallow time to catch upon invoicing advertisers for the mag  Discussion held about advertisers who do not pay (Case in point – Oven Rescue for 2022/23 - 2no. ads had not been paid for, but one of them, was Kendra’s choice without advertisers consent.  Consensus vote at meeting was 1. to write off the o/s balance this time and 2. Ensure ads are not included again unless all prior payments have been received.  **Membership – Previously dealt with**  **Planning – See Council News 596.3.1** | **JD** |
| **596.5** | **Any Other Business**  GJ suggested he would order ‘Committee Member’ Badges so that we would be readily be identifiable at any Kendra meetings/gatherings |  |
| **595.6** | **Next Meetings**  **The next meeting will be the Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 30th April, KMH Main Hall**  **Ward Councillors’ Surgery Sat 27th Apr 9.30 – 11 am**  **May’s Committee Meeting – Tues May 14th 7.30pm KMH Small Hall** | **ALL** |

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