**MINUTES OF THE 599TH KENLEY AND DISTRICT RESIDENTS’ MEETING held on Tuesday 11th June 2024 at Kenley Memorial Hall at 7.30 p.m.**

**Present: Christine Heal (CH); Tony Heal (TH); Paul Keating (PK); Tony Avery; Mike Lott (ML) Linda Richman (LR); Dawn Bennett (DB).**

**Councillor: Ola Kolade (OK)**

**Apologies: Geoff James(GJ) John Davenport (JD) Stella Stocker (SS)**

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| **599** | Chairman (CH) welcomed everyone and read apologies. CH mentioned that Angela Morrison would be visiting at 8.30 p.m. |  |
| **599.1** | **Minutes of Previous Meeting (14th May 2024)**  The minutes of the previous meeting had been circulated. JD had sent some comments (a) SS should be formally co-opted onto the Committee as she was not voted on at AGM. This should be minuted.  (b) 598.3.2.b Unanimous Agreement to mean that a membership fir 2924 will only be accepted if it is paid by 27th February 2025. (c) 598.3.5 concerning comment on widening bridge – this would be an expensive nightmare because of need to ensure that the vertical flexibility of the new contiguous foundations matched that of the heavy existing structure. Remove footpaths from existing bridge and use it for motor vehicles only and build new bridge for foot passengers only. Other more expensive option keep existing bridge for one way traffic and build new 6m wide heavy steel single span bridge about 2m east from existing bridge.  The minutes for 14th May were then agreed and signed |  |
| **599.2** | **LBC: OK reported**  1. Due to forthcoming elections OK said his report would be quite brief. On Sunday 9th June 5 or 6 offenders went into the Co-op and proceeded to shop lift quite a lot of items. The Co-op are being targeted up to 4 times a day by the same offenders, sometimes up to £300 of items stolen per incident. Police are not responding as they only prosecute if amount involved is over £200. It is assumed these people come on train do their shoplifting and go back on train. DB said it sounds the same as Tesco in Broad Green. OK said that there is an ‘Operation Retail’ whereby lots of retailers belong to a national database where shoplifters ID are on the database. If several shops are targeted in a day they hope they can catch the perpetrators.  2. The police delivered a Free Bike Marking event in Riddlesdown Common car park on 2nd June. Another is being planned – date not yet known  3. OK said there was not a date set for July Ward Panel meeting.  4. CH mentioned the 434 bus and had communication with Sarah Varnham When bus does start – after a 12 week consultation – it will be a ‘hail and ride’ approach before it’s decided where permanent bus stops should be. They are making decisions on where to put the yellow lines to introduce parking restrictions to enable the 434 bus route through Wattenden Road.  PK said he saw a breakdown lorry towing a single decker bus along higher Hayes Lane which didn’t look good.  5. OK & GG in contact with TFL about crossing by Godstone Road/Hayes Lane. Tfl confirmed consultation in early July 2024. They have also talked to parents & children as a large number of the people who would use the crossing are school children. CH suggested writing a letter to Council/TFL from KENDRA also talking to Sarah Varnham & Neil Garratt.  **Police:** ML said he had not attended a meeting yet and was waiting for a date. He met PC Karolina and made himself known to her as he is the Police Liaison officer. | **CH** |
| **599.3.1** | **Council News –** TA asked OK for poster for Cllrs Walk In surgeries at KMH | **TA/OK** |
| **599.3.2** | **KENDRA Admin – a) Increasing Membership**  PK said we can produce leaflets. He had sent email to RS. Basically KENDRA does not communicate very well, we are not selling ourselves. Members die or move away and new people who move into those premises are not chased. A new RS found a family who had never been asked to join KENDRA. PK said we should have more RS and also we should target those members who membership had lapsed. Cumberlands is one area where nearly every household was a member now since no RS there are hardly any members. TH asked if it was the remit of a RS to look for a new RS if they retired???? It was agreed that more social events with RS & AS need to be organised and organising community activities like Safe a Life day need to be implemented.  **(b) Vacancy for Treasurer –** CH said Simon Brew, who lives a few doors away from GJ contacted her and said he would be interested in becoming Treasurer and outlined his history which included 5 years a Treasurer for Croydon Conservatives. CH contacted GJ who spoke to GG who agreed it was worth pursuing. CH and AM had meeting with him. AM then arrived and gave her thoughts on Simon Brew. After discussion it was agreed CH invite him to the next meeting and he be co-opted on to the Committee. TA asked AM if it would help to have another meeting with Simon and show him the invoicing system.  CH handed AM a card with a vote of thanks for all her hard work from everyone..  **(c) Committee Vacancies –** approval for co-opting new members as per JDs comments. GJ requesting email addresses need updating with new members on committee. | **ALL**  **CH/AM**  **ALL** |
| **599.3.3** | **Notice Boards**  TA said VOTE FOR KENLEY poster would stay up until after election | **TA** |
| **599.3.4** | **Magazine**  TH said he was collecting articles over the next couple of weeks. PK will be putting magazine together. He had communicated with Simon who was happy with that. TA said he had 11 pages of ads. | **TH/PK/TA** |
| **599.3.5** | **Other Local Issues**  (1)Meeting by Kenley Community Advisory Group /Healthy Streets workshop, chaired by GJ delayed by General Election until 14th July and will be held at All Saints Church. Only 2 people from roads that are affected, mentioned previously are invited. OK said it is important to raise point on more traffic being diverted.  (2) St Barnabas – Patronal Festival Service held on 9th June to which CH and GG were invited and attended; Bishop of Southwark in his address said that although the church is closing it will not be turned into flats. | **GJ/CH**  **CH** |
| **599.3.6** | **Litter Pick**  PK said the last Litter Pick was not well attended. The next one is July 21st. | **PK** |
| **599.3.7** | **Wattenden Pond**  ML said the lawn mower that was hired was used for 3 ½ hours. Next mag will have an article to suggest a butterfly and insect area and seek butterfly friendly flowers from resident’s surplus plants. | **ML/CH** |
| **599.4** | **Committee Reports:**  No Treasurer’s report  Membership – Regarding cash payments – JD, GJ and PK to have meeting to find some solution.  Planning – Retrospective application for Fernlea House Farm, Golf Road & 2 Kenley Lane . As GJ not in attendance no report. | **JD/GJ/PK** |
| **599.5** | **Any Other Business**  PK spoke about KEV (KENDRA Extraordinary Volunteers) - Talking to several members about the shortage on the committee gave rise to an idea. There are members who definitely do not want to or cannot be on the committee, for various reasons. But they wouldn't mind helping out with specific projects or events. These might be things they are particularly interested in or just willing to help out in a general capacity when they can. Litter picking is an example where we have a mix of group and individual participants. Sunday morning isn't convenient for some, so they do their own thing. (Ditto Tuesday evenings).  Delivering leaflets or magazines, helping with the pond, gardening activities, a fun run, beautifying Kenley, etc. could be done with willing volunteers. We could have a volunteer to organise volunteers. Who knows?  Committee agreed KENDRA would accept the offer of a free projector screen which could be stored at KMH for future use by speakers.  Regarding Kenley Place sign – TA said we need to know size. | **TA/GJ** |
| **599.6** | **Next Meeting**  The **next meeting on 9th July** will be held at KMH at 7.30 p.m.  The informal garden meeting on **Tuesday 13th August will be held at 161 Hayes Lane** | **ALL** |

**Chairman………………………………. Dated………………………………**