

## **Croxley Green Residents' Association**

Committee Meeting -  
Croxley Green Library, Barton Way  
Monday, 12th November 2012

Present: Barry Grant (chairman), Tony Munroe (vice chair), Mary Mitchell, Joan Zanelli, Rose Hanscomb, David Neighbour, Mandy Grant, Margaret Pomfret, Amanda Mackie

### **1) Apologies for Absence**

*received from Judith Turnbull.*

### **2) Minutes of 10 September meeting (pre-circulated)**

*Minutes were proposed by RH and seconded by MG and signed*

### **3) Media-Sub-committee (website and The Resident)**

*TM reported back about the website. JZ proposed a vote of thanks be recorded for the work that Ross Humphries has been doing with the updating*

*Resident is out a week ahead of plans. Those present gave general positive feedback.*

### **4) Croxley Green Community Plan**

*BG reported back*

*A meeting was held a couple of weeks ago. Questions are ready. Wendy Jordan is going to run them past the PC. Questionnaire likely to be distributed early New Year. In response to a resident question, BG explained that the survey will go live on a website and will also be distributed in paper form to every household. It is likely that this will be around 2<sup>nd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> January, with forms returning up to 30<sup>th</sup> January.*

*There is an aim of reporting back to the PC at the AGM in April*

*DN said that it will be important to discuss how the questionnaires will be collected and the data analysed.*

### **5) Tesco. Renewal of planning application**

*BG reported that the application has been resubmitted as it's been three years since the original. It is worth registering a complaint against it, for example on the basis that the data is old, e.g. traffic, footfall. There are new council policies that have come into place since the original application against which this resubmission will have to be measured.*

### **6) Applegarth (just off The Green). Another planning application**

*Permission granted for two houses. Now trying to change access route. Alison Wall reported back about appeal/ approval last year. PC has objected and other letters have been sent but HCC has approved it.*

*ACTION – BG will write letter to oppose the application for change in access. AW will pass on information that she has regarding the application to BG*

### **7) Yorke Road school building update**

*RH had little new information. Bats were found although foraging not roosts. The website has an article about the situation. Ross Humphries reported back that there should be a planning application being submitted. We will have to wait to see.*

*Steve Farrell reported that Leukaemia Research have a new architect looking at what could be done at the site.*

## **8) Village Centre initiative - Parish Council**

*TM and DN went to meeting. Nik Bennett reported that the PC have a budget for professional advice about taking this further. Councillor Chris Mitchell is leading this project.*

## **9) All Saints Church chimes**

*Nik Bennett also reported back on this in his role as a Parochial Church Councillor. There will be an appeal pre-hearing at the magistrates court. Nik urged people to continue to write in support.*

## **10) Plans for planting in Stones Orchard**

*BG commented that there are many residents who want to see a suitable management plan for planting of trees. It would be good to set up a Friends of Stone's Orchard. MP reported that there would be the possibility of funding for a volunteer group. AM reported back about an email from Councillor Leighton Dann regarding moving the trees that were planted earlier in the year.*

*ACTION – MP will pass information that she holds on to BG and Ross for inclusion on the website*

*Steve Farrell gave a short presentation on the background of Chorleywood Community Orchard and that this prompted him to look into options for supporting and preserving Stones Orchard. Steve has plotted the number and species of all the trees in the orchard. There will be a presentation at the Local Area Forum (November 28<sup>th</sup>). Steve asked CGRA for support in setting up a friends group.*

## **11) TFL & Herts CC public consultation re Croxley Link**

*Nik Bennett reported that the Parish Council have negotiated being involved in the consultation on design for the viaduct. There was a short discussion about the need for the project. CGRA committee passed thanks, via MM, to Councillor Mitchell for attending the consultation*

## **12) Croxley Green Road Safety Committee – update**

*TM feedback about various local issues including speeding on Links Way, 30mph signs on the roads on the Green, setting speed zones up in Croxley, upgraded pedestrian crossings, change of lane use up Scots Hill and a consultation about yellow lines on Dickinson Square. Ross Humphries gave some information about the length of double yellow lines. BG mentioned the end of Harvey Road which Howarth Homes should have turned into a raised table to help with traffic issues but which, in reality, is not very effective. Complaints have been made to TRDC. The next meeting of the CGRSC is on 19<sup>th</sup> November 2012*

## **13) Getting items onto a Parish Council meeting agenda**

*Nik Bennett reported that the PC have surgeries on the second Saturday of the month at Croxley library. If residents have issues, Nik suggests attending a surgery or contacting your councillor – their details are on the PC website. BG asked about the feasibility of having an open session at the end of PC meetings. NB said that this is no better than using email. If there is something urgent, such as the church bells, then an EGM can be called. PC meetings are not designed to be open forums.*

*ACTION – Nik Bennett will write a synopsis of the Parish Council and how it works to go in the Parish Pump*

*Nik also mentioned that the next edition of My Croxley will contain something similar*

## **14) Projects:**

### **a) Boundary Walk**

*NB and BG reported that the signs have been delivered. An email has been sent to a core group of volunteers and they will be put up asap. PC has plans for a map and is looking at ways of publicising the walk.*

### **b) Local history project**

*JZ reported that information has gone onto the website and will be put into the next issue of the Resident. Ross suggested purchasing a domain name for the project. MP has a name but did not declare it for fear of someone else then purchasing it! JZ proposed that we purchase a name and MG seconded. There was a unanimous decision to purchase the name at a cost of £11 p.a.*

*ACTION – BG/MP to liaise with Ross Humphries and purchase the domain name.*

### **15) Finance**

*MM reported back. Most advertisers have paid up.*

### **16) Any Other Business**

*BG has received an email about compliance planning.*

*ACTION – BG will forward his thoughts about this to members of the committee*

*Reach Free School have sent out a formal consultation document*

*5<sup>th</sup> December is the PC Charity Quiz night*

*A resident asked if anyone knew about the Coach and Horses being closed. No-one could add anything further at the time.*

*Since the meeting AM has discovered that the owner of the Artichoke and the Feathers in Rickmansworth has looked into purchasing the Coach and Horses.*

**Meeting closed at 9:50 p.m.**

### **Dates of next meetings:**

**PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE IN FEBUARY**

**Feb 4<sup>th</sup> 2013, March 11<sup>th</sup> 2013 with AGM**