

# The Croxley Green Residents' Association

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## Committee Meeting

Croxley Green Library, Barton Way 7.30pm  
Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> May 2014

### 1. Apologies for Absence

*Rose Hanscomb, Amanda Mackie (will arrive late)*

### 2. Minutes of 10<sup>th</sup> March meeting (pre-circulated)

*DN proposed, TM seconded*

### Minutes taken by MG

### 3. TRDC Development Site Allocations re Green Belt removal: Watford Health Campus and other planning issues

*BG explained that we are very unhappy about the removal of the land from green belt protection. Roger Emson expressed his disappointment in TRDC councillors who sit on the Parish council. Phil Brading responded with viewpoint of TRDC. There is to be a further hearing on the issue, 16<sup>th</sup> July 2014.*

*Query as to why it is to be called the Watford "Health" campus*

*The glass extension that has been approved at Durrants House was discussed. CGRA are most unhappy that permission was granted when it was not noticed by any TRDC or PC members.*

### 4. New Schools update

*there has been a presentation about the proposed new school. Places will be allocated by distance as the crow flies. Ross asked if we can request information from HCC about whether there will also be houses built on the site. Phil Brading responded that just because there are houses on the site allocation, does not necessarily mean they will get built.*

### 5. Yorke Road School site opening day

*This will be held on Thursday 16th May. MP and Rha have put together a small display.*

### AM entered the meeting and continued to take minutes at this point

### 6 Community plan and local elections

*Wendy Jordan was asked to comment about the way the community plan is developing. She talked about the way the survey was produced and how the data needs to be analysed and reported back to the community. She also made mention of the neighbourhood plan and how this needs to dovetail in with the community plan. There are meetings to be held to take this on.*

*Local elections are being held on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2014. We have the new wards and reduction in councillors standing. BG asked why only the three main parties are represented. No real response. Residents are encouraged to vote and to think about who best serves the interests of the community of Croxley Green.*

## **7. History Project**

*BG summarised progress so far/ We have had money from PC and HCC. MP reiterated what BG said. Brian Thompson mentioned the WW1 commemorations planned for the next four years. MP suggested memorial plaques for residences of soldiers. There was also discussion about a possible display in the library.*

## **8. New rights of way**

*South Croxley new rights of way have been approved and there will be new signs for foot and bridle paths from All Saints Lane to Mill Lane and along the moor and canal tow-path. DN mentioned the issue of the footpath around the Guild pitches and access to Yorke Road school from the field. A discussion about this issue took place. Dudley Edmunds is loath to have too many new signs for the footpaths as we don't want to destroy the local environment.*

## **9 Finance**

*MM reported back. We have £3840 in bank. Suggestion of invoicing advertisers £10 to be included on our website as we are not running an issue of the Resident this spring. Some old advertisers will be contacted again. If companies don't pay by a certain date their adverts will be removed from the website.*

## **10 AOB**

*JZ – CGRA will fund a rose for Rose Cottage at YRS at a cost of around £8 plus compost and a plaque. Unanimous agreement at this proposal.*

*BG mentioned the Revels, 21<sup>st</sup> June 2014. Volunteers are needed as usual for marshalling duties.*

*BG also mentioned the poor state of repair of the railings at Croxley station. London Underground will not paint them. **MG proposed that CGRA write a letter, AM seconded.***

*AM asked people about an attack on a young man in Barton Way park, to see if anyone had seen anything and, if so, to contact the police who are looking into the incident.*

*MP – boards at the station can be used for community displays*

*DN – pelican crossings need to have the timings changed. WJ suggested emailing Janet Martin (road safety committee) and Steve Drury about the problem. Pat Foster also asked about having railings at all crossings.*

*Dudley Edmunds mentioned the issue of parking along New Road and Dickinson Square. The PCSOs have been asked to look into this issue.*

*Dudley also mentioned the pollution of the River Chess due to storm water discharge at the Chesham works as a result of all the heavy rain we have had. Phil Brading asked why the Environment agency don't have a duty of care to report this type of issue.*

**Meeting finished at 21:10**

**Date of next meeting: 7<sup>th</sup> July (TBC) 7:30 p.m. Croxley Library, Barton Way.**