

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 4th January 2005
at Fellowship House at 8.00pm

Present: Georgina Malcolm - in the Chair

Jean Barraclough, Carol Boulter, Rosemary Goldstein, Eva Jacobs Rosalind Josephs,
Leonie Stephen
Simon Abbott, Denis Baron John Boulter, Alan Brudney Derek Chandler, Francois
Crompton-Roberts, Richard Kemp, David Littaur, Steve Morris, David Rapson,
Douglas Thomas,

Visitors included Joyce Littaur and Alex Galbinski from the Hendon Times

1 Apologies for Absence

Received from Peter Beesley, Terry Brooks, Colin Gregory, Douglas Blausten, David Lewis, Michael Rowley, Gary Shaw, Richard Wakefield, Alan Walker.

2 Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

RA Constitution

The following words should be added to the 4th line between 'household' and 'Colin':
'Steve Morris as chairman of membership objected to the proposal that a single contact be recorded on the membership cards and not the practice of a family name.'

3 Matters Arising

Telephone Kiosks

Alan Walker had reported that the telephone in the kiosk at Meadway Gate had been reinstated and was working.

Rosalind Josephs has cleaned the graffiti from the box.

St Jude's Church Rooms

Eva Jacobs said that she considered it rather odd that the proposed group who wish to purchase the Church Rooms were not seen to take part in the discussion. Derek Chandler suggested that they be invited to attend any future discussion and Alan Brudney thought that we should welcome them into the community

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Georgina Malcolm had not heard anything further.

Bequest

John Boulter has spoken to the late Mrs Edelman's solicitor.

The Council expressed its gratitude for her generous bequest of £5,000.00 to the RA.

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St Jude's Proms

John Boulter told Council that the RA had been asked to be a gold sponsor and become the main sponsor for the Gala Opening night at a cost of £3500. The EC had discussed this and recommended it to Council who unanimously approved the proposal in principal. Simon

Council agreed that the RA's application form for a grant should be completed. Georgina Malcolm will forward this to Susie Gregson. GM

5 Street Lighting

Derek Chandler said that Roads & Traffic had considered his report on the proposal that lampposts are rented under the PFI project. LB Barnet had agreed to consult the RA on a road by road basis. Siddiek Meer will be writing to LB Barnet confirming this. SM
There has recently been a change of regulations: pathways as well as the roads must now be lit. This could be a problem in part of Meadway where the grass verges are very wide. This could mean more columns are required or some street trees be removed.

6 CPZ

Georgina Malcolm has spoken to Cllr. Jazmin Naghar who is trying to organise a public meeting. However, she has not been able to contact Cllr. Naghar since before Christmas. Siddiek Meer will ask the Trust to take a position on LB Barnet's proposals. SM

7 RA Constitution

Simon Abbott said that he had received comments from Colin Gregory but asked that consideration of these comments should be taken at the next Council meeting as neither Colin nor Michael Rowley was present. Colin was not querying the concept of membership being based on households but raising points of detail. Steve Morris reported that the Membership Committee was still opposed to having a single representative plus other names on the membership card. Simon Abbott asked Steve Morris to provide an alternative proposal. Simon and Steve were asked to sort out the problem. SA SM

8 Any Other Business

New Year's Eve

Alan Brudney and his son were thanked for setting off the fireworks and David Littaur and his team for organising the event. Steve Morris will organise the purchase of champagne bottle openers.

Council noted that the sum of £652.72 collected on the evening had been donated to the Tsunami Disaster Fund. SM

Mobile Telephone Masts at Widecombe Green

John Marshall sent a message that LB Barnet had turned down both planning applications under their delegated powers on environmental grounds. There had been a large protest from local residents.

Membership

Steve Morris reported a late surge in subscriptions during November and December. Membership is now at last year's levels although the subscription income is less.

9 Date and Venue of Next Meeting- Tuesday 1st February at 8.00pm at Fellowship House.

