

Meeting of the 73rd Annual General Meeting of the Eastcote Park Estate Association. 9 May 2011

St. Thomas More Church main hall

Welcome and apologies for absence.

The meeting was chaired by Gerald Edwards the chairman

Apologies from Pam Bailey, Celia Reece, Mary Jungreuthmayer, The Browns

Welcome to Rob Belson, Safer Neighbourhoods liaison officer. Lesley Crowcroft Friends of Eastcote House Gardens.

Minutes of the 72nd AGM

Adopted. Proposed by Richard Maude, seconded by Bill Reilly

Matters Arising

The gate Council have delayed decision and will be looking at with the park as a whole.

Lesley Crowcroft on Eastcote House Gardens.

Lesley noted the Award for London in bloom that was won level 5 one of the highest achievements given.

Emergency repairs needed to the wall and Dove Cot. Lesley met councillor puddifoot to try and get £150,000 which was agreed by cabinet last Sept but council have yet to do anything!!!

Heritage lottery fund is still being worked on by Lesley. There will be another consultation late June/July this year. There is a potential for an archaeological dig of the cellars. This will involve members of the public.

Attempt to reinstate the Dovecot high level window

Removal of trees by Ha Ha as the one that fell was found to have honey fungus.

Museum of London are interested in the Stables and may be older than people think. Maybe related to Hopkites from the 14th Century. Dendrochronological dates awaited.

There will be a picnic in July this year in memory of Sheila Liberty.

Chairmans Report and Social Events

Gerry has chased the Council about roads.

Concern about thefts on estate to be reported later.

The social event went very well and was attended by a lot of people.

This years Easter Egg hunt was packed out with all tickets sold and a good profit made.

Picnic in the Park 9th July this year Friends of Eastcote House Gardens.

Next year in 2012 is the Diamond Jubilee and our 70th anniversary so any ideas would be appreciated.

Adoption of Accounts for the year

We should say Audrey Harrington and Arthur Wilson have again agreed to be honorary auditors. They have done this now for many years so thanks are again in order"

£489.54 surplus for the year with closing fund of £2551.44

237 members in 2010 is an increase. Chris collected = £711 subs, representing 93% of the estate. Collected highest amount ever for Grangewood School £546.93.

Public liability insurance is a must if we are to run any events and is one of our major items of expenditure.
Total £225

Stewards evening is a thank you for all the unpaid work total that they carry out cost £128.51

Easter egg hunt - £36 profit.

Autumn event was very successful with a £190.40 total profit on the event.

Mark Lemon gave thanks on behalf of Grangewood School for monies received from the Estate. Future money needed for Hydrotherapy pool refurbishment.

Proposal made by that Grangewood should remain our nominated charity. All generally agreed this with no dissenters.

The accounts were proposed Enid Minchen, seconded by Bob Reilly.

Neighbourhood Watch. Chris Head

Chris gave thanks for receipt of e-mail addresses which has made life easier.

There have been a lot of vehicle thefts lately so suggestion to assure all cars are locked at night. 0300 123 1212 is the line to report crimes on.

Several weeks ago a row of cars had their wing mirrors knocked off.

Young lads roaming estate. Two recently caught aged 11 trying to break into a van.

No Junk Mail stickers should be available from Library. Chris will try and source some.

Problems with Council parking on pavement at St. Lawrence entrance. Recommendation to photograph and give to Richard or Chris who will alert the Council

Election of committee and Nominations

Existing committee will stand.

Peter Ryder elected to join committee. Proposed by Richard Maude seconded by Gerald Edwards.

Need new committee members – meet roughly once every two months.

Election of Auditors

Agreed to keep Fred Harrington and Audrey Wilson

Any other business

Roads. Gerry has met Highways and they have agreed that Rodney and St. Lawrence have been put on the proposed programme in this financial year HOWEVER up to the leader of the Council to have the final say.

Council are to repaint the one way entrance at Pamela Gardens. They are also looking at the signage at the St.Lawrence entrance at there are cases of cars driving up the wrong side of the road.

Questions raised on Cheney Street rumble strips. It is not sure what the final scheme will be as it is not yet finished.

Many thanks to Baker Pearce for photocopying the newsletter, and their ongoing support.

Janet XYZ has led the charge for a crossing near St Lawrence Church. This will be finalised shortly.

The one way at Pamela Gardens is unclear. Needs no entry signs. This has been addressed by Gerry contacting the Highways department.

Poor quality of pavement repairs is being raised with the council.

Zebra crossing is going in opposite St. Lawrence

Fred noted Billiards club won 11 out of 12 of its games.