## **KEMNAL RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION (KRA)**

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

#### MINUTES OF MEETING DATED 21 JUNE 2018 AT WILLETT HOUSE

## INTRODUCTORY TALK BY JOHN HEMMING-CLARK

After an interesting talk by John Hemming-Clark, the leader of 5<sup>th</sup> Chislehurst Scouts, the meeting was formally opened.

## PRESENT:

Officers: David Viles Chairman

Tony Burrett Vice Chairman Wendy Hadler-Cash Treasurer

Committee members:

Tony Allen Avril GreatRex Lin Limbrey Ian Mc Alister Alec McTavish

Apologies: Vinod Khanna Secretary

Mandy Clark

The Chairman welcomed around 25 members to the meeting.

## 1 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Gordon Brown, Richard & Chantal Babington, Mr Grierson (Independent Examiner), Joanna Friel, Donald Wells, Mr & Mrs Sennett.

## 2 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 29 JUNE 2017

There were no matters arising. Therefore, on a motion proposed by Avril GreatRex and seconded by Beryl Burrett that they be agreed, the minutes were approved unanimously as a true record, and were signed by the Chairman.

#### 3 CHAIRMANS' REPORT

The Chairman referred members to the report/newsletter already circulated and highlighted the following points:

- The road and pavements were in good condition and had not required any major work during the year.
- The Amenity Strip: BT Openreach had now completed their works at the
  Ashfield Lane junction and the Trustees had received £1,500 by way of
  compensation for the installation of the BT telephone cabinets. This money
  would be used to implement a landscaping scheme at the junction to improve its
  appearance and the welcome which it gives to Kemnal Road.
- White lines along the edge of the roadway mean 'no parking' for safety reasons.
   The Association have no power to enforce these markings because (as LB Bromley have recently reminded us) Kemnal Road is a public highway and only

they can lay down enforceable road markings. Therefore, everyone's cooperation is requested to help enhance the safety of all road users.

- Gardening: A new contractor has been engaged to keep the verges mowed and
  otherwise tidy and to collect and remove leaves and other debris, particularly in
  the autumn. Residents are asked to ensure that leaves etc. from their own
  properties are not blown onto the road, verges and pavements to avoid these
  having to be subsequently removed by the gardeners.
- Winter gritting: The gardening contractors will also be taking over responsibility for spreading grit from the KRA's 4 bins when required over the winter months. They have promised a rapid and responsive service.
- Gates at the Ashfield Lane junction: LB Bromley have once again reiterated their opposition to granting consent for any gate(s) as Kemnal Road is a public highway.

## 4 TREASURER'S REPORT

Copies of the Income and Expenditure account for the year to 5 April 2018 were circulated. Wendy Hadler-Cash said that the vast majority of residents had paid their annual subscriptions (amounting to £9,880 in 2017/18). The Association had a healthy bank/cash balance of almost £35,000; funds had been transferred to a new bank during the year offering an enhanced level of service. The accounts were in the process of being audited by Mr. Grierson.

David thanked Wendy for her hard work in collecting subscriptions and keeping the finances in good order during the year.

## 5 TO APPROVE THE ACCOUNTS OF THE ASSOCIATION TO 5 APRIL 2018

On a proposal by Lin Limbrey, seconded by Mrs Gannon, the accounts were approved unanimously.

# 6 ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE AND RE-APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

In the absence of the Secretary, Avril GreatRex took the Chair. **There being no other nominations, it was resolved unanimously that David Viles be re-appointed as Chairman for 2018/19.** 

David reassumed the Chair for the rest of the meeting and asked if anyone present wished to stand for the positions of Vice-Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary. He said that Tony Burrett, Wendy Hadler-Cash and Vinod Khanna were willing to continue in their present respective positions.

David proposed Tony Burrett be re-appointed as Vice-Chairman. This was seconded by Avril GreatRex. There being no other nominations, it was agreed unanimously that Tony Burrett be re-appointed as Vice-Chairman.

David proposed that Wendy-Hadler-Cash be re-appointed as Treasurer. This was seconded by Alec McTavish. There being no other nominations, it was agreed unanimously that Wendy Hadler-Cash be re-appointed as Treasurer.

David proposed that Vinod Khanna be appointed as Secretary. This was seconded by Otto Norland. There being no other nominations, it was agreed unanimously that Vinod Khanna be re-appointed as Secretary.

David asked if there were any members who wished to join the Committee or stand down from it. He was pleased that all the other existing Committee members agreed to remain. He therefore proposed the re-appointment of Tony Allen, Mandy Clark, Avril GreatRex, Lin Limbrey Ian McAlister and Alec McTavish to the Committee. This was seconded by Beryl Burrett and **approved unanimously**.

David then asked for the agreement of the meeting to the re-appointment of Mr P Grierson as Independent Examiner. All present were happy with this appointment, so Mr Grierson's re-appointment was accepted unanimously.

Confirmation of these re-appointments (David Viles as Chairman, Tony Burrett as Vice-Chairman, Wendy Hadler-Cash as Treasurer and Vinod Khanna as Secretary), with effect from 22 June 2018:

Signature: Signature:

Name: David Viles Name: Wendy-Hadler-Cash

Position: Chairman Position: Treasurer

Date: 21 June 2018 21 June 2018

## 7 ROAD FUND CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 2018/19

It was confirmed unanimously (on the motion of Otto Norland, seconded by Lin Limbrey) that, in the light of the Treasurer's report, there was no need to raise the contribution and that it should remain at the current level of £40 per household.

## 8 OPEN DISCUSSION – QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON ANY OTHER TOPICS OF CURRENT CONCERN

There was discussion regarding:

Anti-social behaviour. There had been some cases of low-level ASB during the year. The Police should be contacted if their presence was required.

Obscured lamp posts: Some of the street lighting was obscured by foliage. The Committee would be writing to the relevant frontagers about this.

Burglaries: It was felt that there had been fewer burglaries this year than in previous years. The Hew Neighbourhood Watch signs might have helped, but residents were asked to remain vigilant and proactive in reporting any suspicious vehicles/persons to the Police.

Neighbourhood Watch: Lin Limbrey runs the Kemnal Road NW e-mail notification group and would be happy to add any residents' e-mail addresses to the list. David thanked everyone for attending the meeting. He also thanked Selwood House for providing the venue.

Meeting ended: 9.00pm