#### KEMNAL RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

#### ACCOUNT EXAMINED

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2021			
	2020/2021	2019/2020	
	£	£	
INCOME			
Subscriptions	10,813.33	10,323.01	
Bank Interest	16.99	76.49	
Total	10,830.32	10,399.50	
EXPENDITURE			
Repairs to road and footpaths	6,273.60	17,145.73	
Maintenance amenity strip and grass	6,962.16	10,040.32	
Insurance	167.54	167.54	
Stationery, postage and phone	262.56	154	
Annual general meeting	0	205.00	
Donations	149.00	0	
Land registry search	23.95	23.94	
Gullies, grit bins & salt	185.38	0	
Total	14,024.19	27,736.53	
Surplus/(Deficit )for the year	(3,193.87)	(17,337.03)	
Bank balance from previous year	23,708.15	39,663.46	
Total	20,514.28	22,326.43	
Represented by			
Bank accounts	20,514.28	23,708.15	
Unbanked receipts	0	120.00	
	20,514.28	23,828.15	
less creditors	0	-1,501.72	
Total	20,514.28	22,326.43	

Wendy Hadler-Cash Honorary Treasurer

I have examined the records of the Association's Accounts for the year ended 5 April 2021 and I have found them in good order. In my opinion the above Financial Statement gives a fair view of the state of affairs of the Association as at 5 April 2021

TH Meredith Independent Examiner

## **Present Officers and Committee**

All posts are normally subject to re-election annually at the AGM, although as a result of there being no AGM last year the current officers and Committee members remained in post.

The Committee wishes to thank Mr. T Meredith for acting as Independent Examiner of the Association's accounts at no cost to the KRA.

Chairman	David Viles	Inglewood Cottage
Vice Chairman	Anthony Burrett	Nizels
Treasurer	Wendy Hadler-Cash	Mulbarton Court
Secretary	Richard Perkins	Acorn Close
Committee members:	Tony Allen	The Coach House
	Avril GreatRex	Trees
	Michael Hollingsworth	Worsley Grange
	Vinod Khanna	Pickwick Way
	Kinga Latte	Inglewood (co-opted May 2021)
	Lin Limbrey	Middlemarch
	Ian McAllister	Cascades

Worsley Grange

Alec McTavish

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Summer 2021

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## NEWSLETTER - SUMMER 2021

# AGM via ZOOM Wednesday 28th July 2021, 7.30pm kra.agm@outlook.com

#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Unfortunately, we weren't able to hold an AGM last year because of the Covid pandemic - we kept members up to date by distributing an interim newsletter in January. So we're now faced with decisions about this year's AGM. Although at the time of writing restrictions are due to be significantly eased, we don't feel it would be appropriate to have a physical AGM at our usual venue. Therefore, we're going to hold the 2021 AGM virtually, via Zoom, on **Wednesday 28 July at 7.30pm.** This will be a new venture for the Association, but we feel many members will now be used to using Zoom or similar programs, and it will mean that you can join us on that date from wherever you are. Hopefully, this will mean that more members are able to attend than is usually the case with our 'in person' AGMs.

This is how it will work. To enable you to join the meeting, we'll need your address details so we can invite you. So please, when you get this newsletter send **your name, address and e-mail address** to **kra.agm@outlook.com** if you want to come – and we hope you will! All these details will of course be kept confidential. We'll then reply to you with the meeting ID code and the password for the meeting. The agenda is on the back of this newsletter.

If you don't already have Zoom, it can be downloaded easily, and for free, to your computer.

We always look forward to the opportunity of meeting members at the AGM so it's sad that we're only going to be able to 'see' you virtually this year, which means also dispensing with the post-meeting drinks. If there are any queries about these arrangements, please contact the Chairman [David Viles] on vilesdavid@hotmail.com.

#### KEMNAL ROAD IS YOUR ROAD!

Kemnal Road is unadopted by the Council, and its maintenance (including the footpath) is entirely the residents' responsibility. Each household in Kemnal Road and its side roads is therefore asked to make an annual contribution to the Road Fund. KRA is headed by a Committee of volunteers, elected annually by residents of Kemnal Road and its side roads (defined as members of the Association). We would welcome new Committee members, particularly from the side roads which are currently under-represented. If you feel able to give some time to ensuring Kemnal Road remains one of the most attractive roads in Bromley, please contact the Chairman on vilesdayid@hotmail.com.

## **OUR ONLINE PRESENCE**

### KEMNAL ROAD WEBSITE — www.kemnal-road.org.uk

Find details of the KRA Constitution and access to AGM minutes and papers and current issues, as well as many facts and illustrations about the history of our beautiful road.

#### **FACEBOOK GROUP**

**Kemnal Road Chislehurst Facebook** page is a private group open to residents of Kemnal Road and its side roads. It's intended to enable residents to communicate freely with each other on matters related to the area.

#### TWITTER

Our Twitter Account - @KemnalRoad. Keep up to date by following us!

#### **CONTACT US**

To contact us online with any comments or problems – **Comments@kemnal-road.org.uk** or via 'contact us' on the Kemnal Road website.

#### **GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION 2018**

The KRA will use your e-mail and residential addresses solely to contact you in relation to e-mail alerts about the road, Neighbourhood Watch, the AGM and information about paying annual fees. Your data will at all times be kept confidential and will not be released to others.

## **ROAD MATTERS**

• It has been, to say the least, a very strange year. Fortunately, given the problems and pressures caused by successive lockdowns, Kemnal Road has not needed any significant work done during this period. The only incident of note was the sudden winter freeze which occurred in February and which threatened to bring traffic to a halt. Fortunately, our arrangements with the gardeners for spreading grit from the 4 bins in the road worked well and we were able to restock all the bins afterwards with the assistance of one of our Committee members, also helping residents of Dickens Drive when their LB Bromley-provided grit supply ran out.

However, some cavities in the road surface and the pavements have deepened and need filling to avoid them becoming potholes, and we intend to have these attended to over the summer.

- Please note that a white line means 'no parking,' for safety reasons! Worn
  markings along the road were repainted last autumn.
- The gardeners mow the verges on the east side of the road (except those which are mowed privately), keep the edges of the road and the pavement free from encroaching vegetation, and collect and remove grass clippings, fallen leaves etc. Operatives visit the road regularly to carry out this work, at a cost of over £5,800 in 2020/21. Residents are asked to ensure their own gardening activities do not blow leaves and debris onto Kemnal Road which then have to be removed by the gardeners.
- There were few responses regarding the replacement of the stolen horse trough outside
  Hoblands Cottage, as featured in the January newsletter. It's not impossible that the
  trough might be recovered, but if not the Committee has concluded that there's no merit
  in spending funds in replacing it. The present stone base could instead be planted with
  flowers and shrubs.

## **NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH (NHW)**

Our Neighbourhood Watch presence now extends to more than 80 households in Kemnal Road and its side roads. If you wish to receive regular Neighbourhood Watch updates and other local information via our NHW mailing list, please email our Neighbourhood Watch coordinator on lin.limbrey@virginmedia.com. N.B. Your email address and contact details will never be shared with other NHW members or anyone else.

The Chislehurst Police Safer Neighbourhood Team is located at Bromley Police Station, High Street, Bromley BR1 1ER, tel. 020 8721 2612, e-mail: Chislehurst.snt@met.police.uk



**Kemnal Manor Woods** 

## **AMENITY STRIP**

The wooded area between The Coach House and Ashfield Lane is administered by 4 Trustees, who are also KRA Committee members. At the 2015 AGM, members agreed to contribute up to £1,000 per year to allow the Trustees to carry out essential safety work to trees and bushes encroaching onto the roadway or posing a hazard. There are some dead trees in the strip which will be removed for safety reasons.

## **ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR**

We do get cases of selfish and even criminal behaviour taking place in our road and its tributaries. Fly-tipping is mercifully rare, but if it happens you can report it on the Dumped Rubbish – Flytipping page of Bromley Council's website. There have been reports of drug-dealing, with the accompanying noise, mess and petty criminality. If you witness drug dealing, report it to the Police but please also post details of the incident on the Kemnal Road website (comments@kemnal-road.org.uk) or the Kemnal Road Chislehurst Facebook page. This will alert other residents and enable the KRA to maintain a log of such incidents so we can add our voice to representations to the Police to take action.

## THE WIDER AREA

We are continuing to monitor the situation regarding the speed and volume of traffic in Ashfield Lane in co-operation with the Ashfield Lane Road Safety Group, and to comment where appropriate on planning applications affecting the road. Over the last year, we commented on 2 redevelopment proposals and objected to one on the grounds of its effect on Kemnal Road. The Association is one of the bodies which LB Bromley has undertaken to consult on any proposals to reconfigure the roads around the Common in order to reduce the number of accidents - we will monitor the effects of these on traffic in Ashfield Lane as they develop.

## **ROAD FUND**

Looking to the immediate future, we know from past experience that each stretch of road between 2 road humps costs around £17,000 to resurface and that the cost of road repairing materials has increased considerably as a consequence of the pandemic. As our end of year balance stands at just over £20,500, we are seeking Members' approval to increase the annual fee per household in 2021/22 from £40 (which it has been since 2016/17) to £45 per household. This will be collected, as usual, next spring. The accounts for 2020/21, approved by the Independent Examiner, are printed overleaf.

# **2021 Annual General Meeting**

Wednesday 28 July 2021, 7.30pm – virtual meeting via Zoom AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for absence
- 2. To approve the minutes of the last AGM held on 27 June 2019
- 3. Chairman's report
- 4. Treasurer's report
- 5. To approve the accounts of the Association to 5 April 2021
- Election of Officers and Committee members and appointment of Independent Examiner, Mr T Meredith
- 7. To confirm Road Fund contributions of a minimum of £45 per household for 2021/22
- 8. Questions & discussion