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THE KEMNAL ROAD RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION.

MINUTES of the Committee meeting held at the Bull Head Hotel Chislehurst on the 14th September, 1959 at: 8.15 p.m.

PRESENT:

Mr.H.W. Clifton (Chairman)  
Mr.C.M. Dunn (Secretary)  
Mr.L.H. Gilbert (Treasurer)  
Mr.A.D. Jackson.  
Mr.J. Langlands.  
Mr.C.E. Coulter.  
Mrs. J. Smith.

ABSENT:

Major Ian Gibbs.  
Mr. R.B. Thompson.

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1. MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THE 31st AUGUST, 1959.

The Meeting was opened by the Secretary, and the Minutes of the last Meeting were approved by all present.

2. SELWOOD DEVELOPMENT.

Mrs. Smith had telephoned the Ministry of Housing enquiring whether the Minister had yet had an opportunity of looking into this, and if, in fact, he had yet reached a decision. Mrs. Smith was informed that the Minister was firstly replying to the letter sent by Miss Pat Hornsby Smith, M.P., and would then deal with our correspondence. During the course of conversation, it was revealed that the Minister did not like interfering with County matters, particularly when the local authority concerned had sanctioned the plans. However, the Minister would be looking into the matter, and we would hear from him in due course.

Mrs. Smith also contacted the Local Authority with regard to the preservation of the oak trees in the grounds of Selwood and was informed that unless any tree had a Tree Preservation Order it could be removed without anyone's authority. There is no such Preservation Order on any of the trees, particularly the oak, in the grounds of Selwood.

The Chairman remarked that he would write direct to the Forestry Commission with regard to his own oak trees, and see what sort of reply he receives.

The Secretary remarked that he had not yet had a reply to our letter and it was suggested that the Chairman should write to the K.C.C. confirming the details of the meeting at Selwood stating that the Chairman would still be willing to buy the grounds in front of Selwood and donate them for the permanent use and recreation of the Old People living there.

3. SIGHT LINE AT TOP OF ROAD.

The Secretary stated that action is being taken in this respect, but it was no good to rush things through as it was better to have it done properly. It was felt by all present that it would be better to wait and see what action was being taken by the Church Missionary Society and the R.A.C., and to let either party contact us, when we could go ahead and move the posts back on our side of Kemnal Road, as may be proved necessary.

The Treasurer felt that it would be best left in the hands of The Chairman and Secretary to let them decide what action should be taken. This was carried unanimously.

4. DATE OF NEXT MEETING.

This has had to be left in abeyance pending replies to our various letters concerning Solwood. An Agenda would be sent to all members as soon as there was anything definite to report. It was agreed that the next meeting should be held at the Bulls Head Hotel, Chislehurst.

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

The Treasurer brought up the point about the sending out of the Agreements to the Householdors in Kemnal Road. This was all in hand, and it was expected that they would be sent out the following day, namely the 15th September. The Secretary suggested that it was now time for The Treasurer to form his Sub-Committee to help with any "following-up" work which may be required.

The Treasurer suggested that there should be two signatures on any cheques signed on behalf of the Kemnal Road Residents' Association and in this respect it was agreed that the Treasurer and the Secretary would be the authorised signatories.

Frontages would now have to be ascertained and Mr. Jackson, with the support of Mr. Langlands, has agreed to measure these.

It was suggested by the Secretary that the Wellington Trust should be sent a letter asking them to pay a proportionate cost of their frontage to Mulbarton Court, until such times as the new residents commence their contributions.

It was suggested by The Treasurer that in all future Minutes the heading should read: Minutes of the COMMITTEE meeting held at etc.etc.....  
This was agreed by all present.

SEPTEMBER, 1959.

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