

KEMNAL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Minutes of 1st Annual General Meeting
held at FOXBURY
on Friday, 20th June, 1986 at 8.30 pm

Present:

P. Low (Chairman)
G. Coates (Treasurer)
B. Andrews (Acting Secretary)

Apologies had been received from many Members who regretted they were unable to attend.

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

It was proposed, seconded and carried, that Mr. Peter Low continue as Chairman.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved and countersigned.

3. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE

It was proposed, seconded and carried, that the present Committee should be elected.

4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman reported on:-

4.1 Matters arising from the inaugural meeting -

4.1.1 Road Humps

Because Kemnal Road is an unadopted public highway, approval must be obtained from the Local Authority before these can be installed. Designs have been submitted by the Association. The Local Authority has suggested various alterations, as well as the positioning of warning signs which have to be illuminated. Estimates will be invited for this work and then put before all the members of the Association for approval, before proceeding with the installation.

In reply to a question, the Chairman agreed that the Association should write to the relevant Authority at Scotland Yard, asking them to clarify the situation as regards Kemnal Road and its status with respect to the Road Traffic Acts.

4.1.2 Contributions from Commercial Road Users

The Chairman said the Woolwich Equitable Building Society had been very generous in their support of the Association, and had made many intangible contributions.

Mr. Stanley of Kent Turf had paid the basic contribution last year but had not replied to our letter suggesting we should meet in order to introduce ourselves now that Mrs. Tostevin has left the area. The Chairman said he would write again.

As Kemnal Road is a public highway, no demands can be made on road users, so it was proposed to invite the flat contribution once again from commercial road users. There were no objections.

4.1.3 Amenity Strip

Mr. Dunn, who was Chairman of the Kemnal Road Residents' Association, and a Trustee of the Amenity Strip, has passed over to the Association £2,500. He has, however, retained about £800 to be used to protect the interests of the Trustees should that at any time become necessary.

A **resolution** was proposed, seconded and, with an amendment, passed **"That the Committee should continue to negotiate with the Trustees for the strip to be handed over to the Association, together with the outstanding funds"**.

4.2 Road Repairs

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- 4.3 Most repairs have stood up well to the very bad Winter. There are two very bad areas, but some deterioration had been expected.

Work on the road will begin during the week of 23rd June. The potholes will be repaired and the surrounding areas will be sprayed with tar and granite chippings. In all, 400 sq. metres will be made good, including the bend by Woodheath and the area outside Cascades, at a cost of £992.00 + VAT.

The Gas Board will repair pavements and level off grass verges.

It was suggested the pavement should be extended down the road. The Chairman promised to bring the matter up in Committee.

4.4 Donation From London Borough of Bromley

The Local Authority, which has a frontage in Kemnal Road, i.e. the Old People's Home, had been very generous and donated the best part of £1,000 which was a third part of the cost of the repairs. This contribution was made as a grant and is unlikely to be repeated.

4.5 Erection of Signs

The London Borough of Bromley has put up an "Elderly People Crossing" sign as requested and it is hoped to have a "Neighbourhood Watch" sign erected in the near future.

4.6 Grit and Salt Bins

The London Borough of Bromley has agreed to supply two salt bins - one to be placed in Dickens Drive and the other in Acorn Close. Another bin, paid for by the Association, will be placed in the Amenity Strip by Ashfield Lane, subject to the agreement of the Trustees.

4.7 Planning Applications

During the year, the Association has been active in objecting to some planning applications affecting the road. The Chairman also said that a Public Enquiry is to be held on **Tuesday, 15th July at the Civic Centre, Bromley**, to consider the planning appeals concerning land at the side and rear of Hoblands and the demolition of a listed building in the grounds of Woodheath. The Chairman urged all Members who could, to attend the Public Enquiry.

4.8 Neighbourhood Watch

This is now in operation. For those who did not attend the relevant meeting, the Chairman has a stock of information pamphlets about the Scheme, which he will be pleased to hand out.

4.9 Social Events

The Association held a social evening at Foxbury in December which had been a great success.

A Barbecue will be held at Foxbury on Thursday, 24th July. The cost will be £5.75. Mr. Allison has obtained a Licence until 11 o'clock. It is regretted that children under ten years of age cannot attend.

4.10 Resignation of Secretary and other Committee Members

Regrettably, Mrs. Tostevin had to resign as Secretary on her departure to live in the West Country. During the year, three other Committee Members had resigned for business reasons. Fortunately, all retiring members have been replaced.

5. TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Coates presented the Audited Accounts of the Association to the Meeting. Their adoption was proposed by Mr. Norman Brooks and seconded by Mr. Roger Grant.

The Treasurer then suggested that the road subscription should remain at £15.00 per household for the current year, plus £1.00 membership fee for each adult member of the Association. This was proposed, seconded and passed.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Coates proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman for all his hard work, and another to Mrs. Tostevin for all her efforts in helping to form the Association.

The Chairman thanked the meeting for their good wishes, and his Committee Members for their support during the year.