

Minutes of Holly Lodge Residents Association Committee meeting, 18th September 2017, 7pm, held at Holly Lodge Community Centre

Present: Andrea, Sally, Deb, Grace, Danny, Shannon

Observer: Roger

Apologies: Josh, Kim, Alison, Rachel

1. Gardens and paths

Deb Froome set out issues relating to the York Stone in the Holly Lodge Mansions/Makepeace garden and the problem of heavy mowers driving over the stones and cracking them (see attachment).

AGREED: Meeting unanimously agreed the proposed resolution. TRA to write to Camden (copied to councillors) to request that the contractors stop using the Ride-On Mower in the gardens between Oakeshott Avenue and Makepeace Avenue because this is damaging the York stone. We will also ask Camden for a named liaison officer to discuss future work to the gardens. Deb to draft and Andrea to send. Andrea to find name of the best Camden contact to send the letter.

2. Bins

Susan O'Hara (Camden) replied to TRA letter regarding bins at the end of Holly Lodge Mansions. She has asked the caretaking team to wash the bins regularly. Steve Boulton, fire safety officer, has been asked to assess the fire safety of the bins.

AGREED: TRA to respond saying that solution is not satisfactory and we would like the bins to be moved or to be enclosed.

3. Fire Safety

Camden quality assurance department (Paul Leavey) has agreed to a meeting for all residents, as have our local councillors, but Cabinet Member Pat Callaghan has not responded.

AGREED: To go ahead with a meeting with Camden officers and councillors (plus Holly Lodge residents) and not wait for Pat Callaghan. Grace to arrange meeting for three weeks' time. Shannon to invite Fire Brigade.

4. Camden Fire Safety consultation.

AGREED: TRA would like to take part in the consultation and have a representative on the proposed fire safety panel.

TRA to ask Gerry (resident of HLM and firefighter) if he would like to be co-opted onto the committee.

5. Website

Meeting thanked Andrea and team for the fantastic website.

AGREED: To make an A5 laminated poster for all the blocks with contact details for TRA. Andrea to make this poster. We will put up this along with fire safety meeting details in all blocks.

6. Parking

Various residents have been fined for parking.

Barbara Wheatley can overturn parking fines, if people aren't very rude or if they have not left it too long (i.e. several months)

AGREED: TRA to put up poster in blocks explaining how to avoid a parking fines and ask the Estate Committee to deliver it all the residents on the estate.

7. Heating and Hot Water

Camden says they are awaiting design proposals from the consultants. Then it will be released to residents for discussion.

8. Film Set Walkabout for 20 people

Andrea wrote to Lewis Barron of Triton Films asking how loud the generators would be. Response: 58 decibels at 3 metres.

Triton have offered a tour of the film set Sunday 15th October, 10am for 20 people.

AGREED We would offer the film set walk about in the first instance to all the people living in the north part of Oakeshott Avenue since they may still be affected despite reassurances that the noise level will be relatively low.

Posters to go up in the flats at the same time as the fire notices.

9. Community Centre and the TRA

Camden has agreed in principle to turn the Community Centre into a TRA hall. We have a draft document to read to understand the legal requirements and liabilities.

AGREED: Grace to circulate draft document. Agreed to have joint meeting of TRA committee and Community Centre Management Committee to work out how this arrangement could best work going forward.

10. Halloween party

AGREED to hold Halloween party in community centre either 28th or 29th October. Shannon to be lead organiser. The party is designed to in effect be a launch of the TRA hall, new website etc.

11. Block Reps

Block reps are very dynamic and it would be good to have them working with the TRA.

AGREED: Roger to ask block reps if they would like to continue being block reps and to liaise between the TRA and residents in their block.

12. AOB

Grace to co-ordinate representation at DNC meetings

Next meeting: 16th October, 7pm, Community Centre

Supporting information for Agenda Item 1 on Gardens and Paths

Agenda Item (proposed by Deb Froome):

that HLTRA formally requests Camden to instruct the contractors to stop using the ride-on mower over the York stone in the gardens. The garden is designated a Local Green Space in the Highgate Neighbourhood Plan, for its quality and importance to the community. The York stone paths were not built for vehicles .

supporting info:

1. get the ride-on use stopped - it is dislodging and moving the stones and cracking the surfaces and mortar between the stones
2. The York Stone paths are getting damaged eg
 - o by recent vandalism by ?kids (who dug up 20 stones) August Bank holiday 2017 (see photos attached)
 - o by regular use of the ride-on mowers that weigh 0.7-0.9 tons, by Camden's contractors iDVerde
3. the paths have been patch repaired (rechargeable) week beg 4.09.2017 by Camden
4. [the garden is designated a Local Green Space \(pages 49-51\)](#)

<http://www.highgateneighbourhoodforum.org.uk/plan/>

Policy OS3: **Local Green Space**

*The Highgate Neighbourhood Forum supports the designation of existing public open spaces as Local Green Spaces. They will be protected from the impact of development which would result in a loss in the quantity and **quality** of public green areas which are of particular importance to the community. The following sites (see Fig 10) are designated as Local Green Spaces:*

LGSD1 Open Land on Holly Lodge Estate

LGSD2 Southwood Lane Wood

LGSD3 Park House Passage

LGSD4 Pond Square

LGSD5 Peace Park

LGSD6 Fitzroy Park Allotments

LGSD7 Highgate Allotments

LGSD8 Shepherd's Hill Railway Gardens Allotments

LGSD9 Aylmer Allotments