

Present: TB, CB, DL, HH, SA, TM, KN

Actions:

TB has emailed Biffa re bottle collection wagons and encouraged HH to do same.

TB reported a positive response re extra parking spaces and electric charging points. The council are looking at 2 extra spaces which could be in Water Tower Street. Felt worth them putting this to residents to see what response would be. No-one doing anything re charging points at the moment.

Clockwise: Nun's Road also closed now until drain finished in 2022. Traffic is backing up, but felt to be better flow.

Building, going up a pace, a lift shaft in for carpark. There have been issues with noise and late working and early starts.

Email login: we are all on now.

Refuse survey: responses are all in, and our views are being taken into consideration and represented at the forum being held.

Email sent out to residents to save the date for summer party. Aiming to try to have events outdoors for now. Pub quizzes will need to wait as indoor events will have different challenges. Feeling that there is still a lot of nervousness out there and social distance could still be part of the advice in July.

Carol Concert was good and could be repeated in same format.

It was agreed that something outdoor in late September would be nice.

It was agreed that putting our flyers for socials into student accommodation, inviting them to join would be nice. TB reported that King's Court feel out on a limb, get invitations, but don't feel they are part of the 'old housing'.

Roles and Responsibilities

Roles and responsibilities discussed and agreed as per attached list. Most roles shared. Most time consuming is the KSARA card. All agreed it is valuable and it was felt that this almost needed starting from scratch post pandemic. It was felt to be valued by residents and traders. Agreed to re-visit existing ones and work on new ones. Signs in window really helpful for residents. The background was outlined to new committee members, agreed to continue with the voluntary contribution for the card and a re-issue each AGM.

Discussion on how to engage more residents and in particular those new to the area. Agreed to put together a letter outlining our purpose, offering membership, asking for details to be updated by current members (if necessary) and details for the many new-comers to the area. A sort of Welcome pack. We would encourage committee member who is nearest neighbour to welcome them to events etc. TB has contact at King's Court and could encourage engagement as it is for the whole area (2 of committee live in newer houses).

Also discussed newsletter and the need for one with contributions from all areas. To go out before Street Party as reminder.

Events

Street party the next one and will need planning, next meeting dedicated to that.

AOB

TB reported that with the house move at no.19, he had been given an archive on King's Street. It was felt that this would be good on the website for new owners of houses to access. Census material and much local history in the archive.

Also, a time for another look at the website and how best to engage on social media.

Email received from a resident re a complaint about his parking to the council, which was anonymous but seemed to infer that it was from the KSARA committee. The committee discussed this and all confirmed that they had not been in touch with the council regarding this resident's parking nor did anyone intend to do so. Also no committee member had been approached privately about this issue. We also have no idea where this has come from and share his concern that KSARA's name has been used in this way and if it occurs again, he has the support of the committee in investigating further. It was agreed that a response making these points would be sent to the resident.

It was agreed to spend the next meeting planning the Street Party.

Next meeting 10th May, HH to send out zoom details