

# KSARA Committee Meeting 14<sup>th</sup> June 2022

Attendees: Tony B, Deborah, Tony M, Heidi, Sue, Chris, Jade, Krista

## Key updates and actions:

### Street Party Debrief

- ✓ Overall a good event
- **What can be done better next time?**
  1. Chair locations - consider guiding people to ensure chairs are not all in one corner
  2. Food table location - at the back may be more suitable and would encourage people to use all of the space not congregate at the front (due to rain tables were located near the entrance to be sheltered)
  3. Participation - people from some areas did not join - encourage
  4. The Street Party felt like a party not a community event - review
  5. Location - consider courtyard VS King Street/Canning Street
  6. New resident participation - consider talking to people beforehand to encourage joining especially if anyone has not got connections. Committee members to welcome them when they arrive and introduce to others
  7. Drinks - some people did not expect the drinks reception - let people know beforehand
  8. Wet weather plan - have it in place including an option of a gazebo etc to know exactly what to do
  9. Music - good background music that people enjoyed
  10. Timing - consider time of the day and also if to hold early or later in the summer when warmer
  11. Food - consider an option to provide food - BBQ, fish&chips etc
  12. Raffle - good idea, share profits between committee and a charity, let people know beforehand
  13. Review overall party costs - have a model that works, identify overall KSARA costs per year
  14. Decorations - bunting made the street look good (stored by Tony B along with left over cups and plates)
  15. Consider layout - Jade has an idea from - photo to be sent to the committee

### Welcome Packs

- ✓ 2No New residents - Chris to provide Welcome packs

### KSARA Card

- ✓ Ongoing - possibly re-launch

### Facebook account

- ✓ Ongoing - keep reviewing and monitoring if more people join

### CRAG

- ✓ Feedback from the last meeting - reviewing if it is making an impact. Noted that Handbridge community is involved in strategic planning with a long term vision.

A Councillor is to be elected. Being discussed how to have a vibrant city centre but also consider residents.

#### Licencing Updates

- ✓ Red Lion - The Pub is part of a bigger chain but Tony B has met Manager Chase who wants to get engaged with the community
- ✓ Pied Bull - Tony B has arranged to meet Manager Dave Porter on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June
- ✓ Cozy Club - Tony B has received an invitation
- Chris to provide an update from Licencing meeting including the points discussed and information on helpline (actions from the meeting)

#### Planning Updates

- ✓ No new applications

#### Pedestrianisation

- ✓ Feedback closed now but not known how many residents responded

#### Thoroughfare

- ✓ Traffic changes due to the nearly finished Northgate Development - Committee does not feel there has been an increase in traffic however shall **maintain a watching brief**. Similar situation was after Storyhosue was finished and was not deemed to be an issue.
- ✓ Gate considered at the alleyway between Canning Street and King Street - not deemed appropriate and would not be easy to get permission from the Council.

#### Broadband

- Check speed - do a speed test and report back (available online)
- Discuss at the next meeting

#### Pocket Park

- ✓ Jade has started discussions with YourStreets group who provide funding for initiatives to improve or create green spaces in Chester. The plan is to fence off the area behind the Walls opposite Canning Street and create a garden that could be used by community.
- Need to find people who would be passionate about this and would like to be involved
- Jade to send email with information to KSARA to take this forward

#### History Event

- ✓ Jade has some information and shall hand over to the committee
- Chris to visit Linda in Hoole

**Next meeting: 7.30pm Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2022 (at Heidi's)**

**AGENDA**

Key items to discuss and provide updates on:

- Broadband
- Facebook
- KSARA Card
- New residents
- Planning/Licensing Updates
- Pedestrianisation/Thoroughfare
- CRAG
- Pocket Park
- Remaining events in 2022 - History Event, AGM
- AOB