

**KSARA Meeting
Monday 13 February 2023
Minutes**

Attendees

Sue H (Chair), Chris B (minutes), Deborah L, Mick C, Tony B, Chas W

Chas Warwood was welcomed to the committee, noting that it was great to have a representative from Water Tower Street. Chas will work with TonyB on Local History and Planning/Licensing.

Apologies

Heidi H, TonyMcD

Item 1: Strategic Priority - Community Events

It was agreed that we would organise the following events this year:

- Pub Quiz (Wednesday 3 May, with a Coronation theme)

Action 2023/2.1 TMcD to arrange date with Pied Bull

Action: 2023/2.2 SH/DaveH to lead on questions

- Summer Party (Saturday 29 July)
To be held at the back of King Street / King Charles Court
Might include Summer Fete element, and/or street theatre (Storyhouse Youth Theatre?)
- Potential autumn event eg cake stall to support local charity
Part of the aim would be to develop a model that could be repeated at will
- Local History Event (week beginning 18 September)

Action 2023/2.3 TB to update on progress and invite show and tell from all

Action 2023/2.4 TB/SH to post on Facebook soliciting anecdotes

Action 2023/2.5 CW to lead on history of Water Tower Street

Action 2023/2.6 DL to arrange venue details for this and AGM with Storyhouse (via Jade)

- AGM November (week beginning 20 November)
Vote to be held on charity support in 2024, from list of 4 agreed at September Committee
- Christmas Carols (December)

Item 2: Recurring Items

Previous Meeting Minutes

The minutes from the January committee meeting were approved.

Previous Meeting Actions

All actions complete except as noted below:

Action 2023/1.3 It was agreed that the constitution be subject to a detailed review in 2024.

Action 2023/1.7a CB/TB to document procedures for visitor parking eVouchers

Action 2023/1.7b CW to provide contact telephone number

Strategic Themes

Action 2023/2.7 MC/DL to lead discussion on Business Engagement as June strategic theme

Planning & Licencing

Noted that concerns remain about 7 King Street, in particular with relation to fireproofing and the disappearance of comments on the planning website

It was agreed that whilst the level of AirBnB properties in the local area was not an immediate concern, there was a need for council policy to be developed before it became an issue giving its growing popularity.

Action 2023/2.8 TB to obtain Edinburgh & York AirBnB policies to inform committee stance.

Highways & Parking

Noted that potholes will be fixed if reported.

Action 2023/2.9 All to report local potholes including that outside KingsBuildings.

Action 2023/2.10 CB to add reporting link to website.

Antisocial Behaviour

- MC/SH reported on the CWaC engagement event they attended:
- Chester Purple Flag achievement celebrated
Homelessness in Chester: rough sleepers are “voluntary” in that there are beds for all (but no dogs, drink, or drugs). Four Futures Operation Momentum project is providing outreach support when informed. The Police/Council are operating a 3 warnings policy to rough sleepers accumulating excessive “stuff”.
- ASB in KSARA area raised, and MC subsequently contacted about current spike. Key is to ensure that all incidents are reported to the Police.

Action 2023/2.11 All to continue to feed reports through to MC – noted that this will need to change to individual reporting.

Action 2023/2.12 CB to ensure ASB link on website

Action 2023/2.13 SH/MC to raise ASB, RRR student policy, and lock gate dangers at next University Liaison meeting.

Social Events

See Item 1 above.

New Residents

Bob ?? has now moved in to 2C Kings Buildings, and 3B and 4 Ground floor apartments sold. Sam and Rachel Davidson have moved into 10 King Street.

CRAG

Agreed that we should take turns to attend:

- 29 April – DL
- July – date and attendee tbc
- 19 September – CW
- 6 December (AGM) – CB

AOB

KSARA Krista meal to be re-arranged.

Next Meeting

Tuesday 7 March at 7:30 in the Pied Bull.

Chair: CB, minutes: HH.

Action 2023/2.14 CB to circulate committee date.