Minutes of the KSARA Committee Meeting 10th September 2024

Chair

Mick Confrey [MC]

Minutes

Sue Houghton [SH]

Attending

Deborah Lindsay [DL] Tony McDermott [TM]

Apologies

Tony Barcroft [TB] Heidi Hackett [HH] Chas Warwood [CW]

1. Minutes of the meeting of 23rd July 2024

These were accepted.

2. Matters arising

(a) Website

TB has uploaded minutes to date and will have ongoing responsibility for the website and email list.

(b) Action TM/HH – cheque to be sent to CRAG, for membership fees, as soon as practicable.

Completed.

(c) Action TM/HH – cheque to be sent to DL, for monies owed from purchase made for previous events, as soon as practicable.

Not completed but chequebook is now available. DL was thanked for her patience in awaiting refund of £97.71 from 2023 Christmas event + £36 for Summer Party leaflets.

Action HH - cheque to be sent to DL ASAP

(d) Action SH a visit to show flat for 8 residents is to be arranged for 2nd August 2024

Four residents attended and were impressed by the quality of the build. There had not been a strong push from residents to arrange a repeat visit, and Blueoaks are now organising regular drop-in Open Days that residents could attend. SH agreed to retain ongoing responsibility for liaison with Blueoaks if any issues arise.

(e) Summer Event at Alexander's

All actions from previous minutes were completed. An event flyer was produced (with £5 drinks voucher) and posted to all KSARA residents and advertised through Facebook.

The general view was that the event had worked well. There were 30 attendees including Committee members, with 8 apologies. Some new residents had attended.

The costs of the event were £36 to print leaflets plus £93.30 on the bar. It was noted that the event had not raised money as would be normal for a summer event organised by the Committee (e.g. through a raffle) but this can be recouped through donations at the AGM. Review next year whether or not to give a free drink.

(f) Action TB to send MC contact details for multistorey car park so that MC can explore options for discounted residents parking.

MC has checked and costs are disappointingly prohibitive at £2620 per annum.

3. Parking

The petition for changes to Zone F remains with CW to update on his return.

4. Community Leadership

DL to attend CRAG AGM on September 19th.

DL will attend the Community Leaders' Lunch on September 27th. There will be discussion of a "Good News" Newsletter for Chester residents. DL will mention the Alexander's event.

5. Planning

TB reported that there was no further information on development of Kirkton House on Hunter Street.

A G2 listed property on White Friars has been allowed 12mm double glazing in wooden frames, which sets a noteworthy precedent.

6. Anti-Social Behaviour

No issues to report. Students seem to be using Canal Street in preference to King Street.

7. Facebook

Nothing to report.

8. AGM

Normally held in November but discussion whether to combine it with a Christmas event. Make this a priority for the October Committee Meeting. Noted that papers will need to be circulated one month in advance.

Action: DL to check with St Peter's at the Cross about availability in the first week in December and the possibility of singing carols

Action: All to check availability to attend Committee meeting on October 1st so that alternative date can be set if necessary

9. Future Meetings

October 1 st	Chair SH	Minutes CW
November 5 th	Chair CW	Minutes TB
December 3 rd	Chair TM	Minutes DL