

KSARA Meeting 7 October 2025

Apologies:

Vic, Mick, Simon

Present:

Tony B, Tony M, Deborah, Heidi, David

Planning

Kirkton House

- Developer is "Pure Homes"
- Archaeological investigations ongoing, in doing so they believed they have located evidence of roman barracks on the site.
- At this stage no planning permission has been submitted

Other applications in progress

5 Firemans cottages - replacement windows

1 Firemans cottages - rear extension

Approved consents

30 King St - Listed Building Consent for installation of lateral restraints to front elevation.

Licensing

ACTION Tony B to email Katrina Kerr re Webbers planning application for an entertainment arcade near the cross.

Was raised as how the noise emanating from the courtyard of the Commercial Hotel is allowed, ACTION Deborah to raise at Leadership Meeting.

CRAG meeting feedback

See previously circulated note for details. A few issues to pick out:

Escooters, Ebikes at speed in pedestrianised areas

Trying to create better links with young people particularly students

Highlighted fact that Chester city footfall is now higher than pre-covid

Council looking at whether to tax AirBnBs

Council looking to progress Northgate 2, although build work estimated to begin 2028 and end 2035.

David Parish paid the CRAG subs (owed a further £5 as subs were increased to £30)

AOB

Northgate St Taxis for the Special Needs School. Seems drivers are being encouraged to wait in Watertower street. Further updates will be provided as and when available.

Changes to residents parking zone - focused on extending to include Sunday.

AGM planning

Chris Fozzard has agreed to give a talk on the history of the area.

Outline agenda

30 mins KSARA update and QnA

30 mins History talk

15 mins carols

Book signing to follow

Red Lion windows open a bit at the moment, ACTION Tony to give new manager a heads up that the windows should be kept shut as necessary to limit noise on King St.

Next meeting

4th November, 2025