

THORPE WARD RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION
EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD IN
THE RUTHERWYKE ROOM
MONDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 2018

Open Forum: NR welcomed residents to the Open Forum, many of whom had attended the October meeting to discuss their concerns regarding the Coltscroft Development. NR confirmed that he had written to Coda Planning but had yet to receive a reply. Several of the residents have joined a WhatsApp Group to keep each other informed and TWRA Committee Member; Carole James is included within their Group.

The Heathrow Southern Rail Access Link was raised and LG advised that there are currently 5 proposals on the table. It was suggested that should the link go ahead from Chertsey it would be tunnelled through Thorpe. The DOT has to make the final decision and if it does go ahead completion is scheduled for 2023.

The matter of Padd Farm now being with the Official Receiver was discussed. It was suggested that a request might be given to take this land out of Green Belt taking it from agricultural to residential land potentially making the land more valuable.

The future of Lyne Tip was discussed and residents were urged to complete the consultation which is available on the SCC website.

Chair of Virginia Water Football Club, addressed the meeting. He explained that VWFC are looking for additional facilities for the senior teams and land to the rear of Thorpe Industrial Estate has been identified as a possible site. He is due to have a meeting with RBC on 27th November and will report back to TWRA on any progress.

The 24-hour garage at Ayebridges Avenue is causing disturbances to residents and asked that their licensing be investigated. The Open Forum attendees at the meeting were advised that TWRA have already submitted an objection to the proposed new car wash.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting: The Minutes were approved and signed.

Matters Arising: The hedge at the junction of Green Road and Rosemary Lane is protruding approximately 18" beyond it's boundary and MB has requested on several occasions that this be cut back. MF said he would report this to SCC and NR said he would forward him a photo.

MB said he had followed through on the Conservations and Listed Buildings review.

MB had arranged for the gate to the Pound has been repaired and replaced.

Thanks were extended to IP for keeping the Memorial Garden tidy. LG asked that the plaque should be taken off and amended to show Cllr. Elaine Gill's name at the top, as she was the driving force behind the additional plinth.

Councillors' Reports: Reports were distributed to the Committee prior to the meeting.

Cllr. Few added that SCC has no alternative but to find ways to save money and the views of the community are sought.

Cllr. Hodge will be standing down as Leader of SCC on 11th December. A new leader is sought.

Association Officers' Reports: These were distributed prior to the meeting.

NR confirmed that he and PH would be attending a meeting with RBC to discuss the problems around fly tipping within the Ward. RBC is prepared to supply signage highlighting Selecta DNA, which is proving effective in other areas. A map showing where fly tipping has occurred within the Ward should be completed by us and supplied to RBC on a regular basis. It was suggested that perhaps Aileen Baker would join us at our 2019 AGM as Speaker.

Town Planning: BH had visited all the properties applying for planning approval. Where concerns were raised it was agreed that letters of objection would be sent to RBC.

CJ explained that she had written to RBC in October querying the inconsistencies in their decisions, which involved the EA.

Thorpe Lea Proposed Development: There are no updates at the present time.

SCC Consultation on Services: As discussed on more than one occasion, residents are encouraged to complete the online consultation.

Subscription Charges: Although the Treasurer was absent, this matter was discussed again.

Governance: NR said that meetings on this issue would be held over the next few months.

Any Other Business: Cllr. Harnden advised that the FLAME AGM is to be held on 22nd November.