



Minutes of the Meeting of Council to be held on
Tuesday 2 April 2019, at Fellowship House, 136A Willifield Way at 8pm

Present: Emma Howard - in the Chair, Tony Brand, Terry Brooks, Tony Ghilchik, Adrian Hodgson, Helen Leiser, Peter McCluskie, Steve Morris, Simon Sackman, Hella Schrader, Ann Spencer and Rosemary Goldstein (Asst Secretary to the Council).

Visitor: Elizabeth Byrne (Queens Court) and Mr and Mrs T Youlden (Coleridge Walk)

1. Risk assessment

A risk assessment was carried out in accordance with the agreed format

2. Note apologies and absences

These were received from Alan Brudney, Colin Gregory, Jeremy Hershkorn, Gary Shaw and Harry Simmonds

3. Question Time for residents who are not members of Council

3.1 Queens Court

3.1.1. Elizabeth Byrne told Council about the problems experienced at Queens Court regarding removal by Clarion of some original features inside the flats despite it being Grade 2 listed; neglect of the building, and problems associated with drug taking and the life style of some tenants. She was asked to provide specific details about the removal of any original features in the flats so that this can be brought to the attention of the Trust.

3.1.2 It was suggested that Ms Byrne attends the next meeting of the Police Ward Group to discuss anti-social or criminal activity and Emma Howard will tell her the date.

Action Emma H

3.1.3 Ms Byrne was informed about the RA Public Meeting to be held on 25th April with elected representatives when some of her concerns could be aired.

3.1.4 If she would like to organise a meeting with the HGS Trust a representative of the RA would be happy to attend.

3.2 Coleridge Walk- various issues

3.2.1 Tom Youlden, a resident of Coleridge Walk was concerned at the speed of the traffic in, Addison Way, Willifield Way and Erskine Hill and lack of observance of the 20mph limit. Also the failure by LBB to insert promised double yellow lines at various corners including junctions of Coleridge Walk and Addison Way (which often makes exiting Coleridge Walk difficult), Erskine Hill with Asmunds Hill (by the H2 bus stop) and Erskine Hill with Central Square (for the left hand turn

here which he said was often impassable for the H2 bus because of parked cars). Emma Howard explained that there had been a lot of complaints about the double yellow lining as residents objected to the loss of car parking spaces, and LBB have to balance the various complaints. In the case of Central Square and the top of Erskine Hill, this had been the subject of a CPZ extension review which was to be heard at the Hendon Town Hall Area Forum on Thursday 4 April. Under the proposals, the CPZ and additional double yellow lining should resolve the issue on entering Central Square from Erskine Hill.

3.2.2 He was invited to attend the next meeting of the Finchley & Golders Green Forum as it anticipated that double yellow lines will be included in the proposed CPZ which will be discussed as well as the public meeting on 25th April with the elected representatives.

3.2.3 Mr Youlden complained about noise from the leaf blowers and gardeners who blow leaves into the road which he said is illegal and dangerous. He was asked to write a suitable letter for publication in Suburb News.

3.2.4 Tom Youlden would like a system to be set up whereby residents can be warned quickly about criminal activity. Steve Morris is looking in to this suggestion. Mr and Mrs Youlden are not members of the RA and it was suggested that they join and sign up to the HGS List email group.

3.2.5 Mrs Youlden complained that the RA objected to cutting back the tree at the corner of Coleridge and Wordsworth Walk, but the RA had not formally objected, although some members had considered that the work proposed was excessive

3.3. Question Time had lasted 35 minutes and Council agreed that although Council meetings should remain open to the public and accept questions it should be made clearer in the 'What's On' section of Suburb News, and on the HGS website, that Question time should only last 15 minutes.

Action Terry B

4. Approve, as accurate, the minutes of Council meeting, held on 5 March 2019

These were approved

5. Action Points from AGM

The points raised under 'any other business' at the AGM did not need discussion at this time.

6 Appointment of Executive Committee

6.1 The EC is composed of the RA Officers (ex-officio) and the Chairs of Standing Committees plus additional members to be decided by Council.

6.2 The following were confirmed as members of the EC:

Emma Howard	Chair
Steve Morris	Hon Treasurer
Peter McCluskie	Hon Secretary and Chair of Consam

Terry Brooks	Chair of Publications
Colin Gregory	Chair of Trees & Open Spaces
Hella Schrader	Chair of Events
Gary Shaw	Chair of Roads & Traffic

6.3 It was agreed that an additional member should be appointed and Ann Spencer was re-elected unopposed to the EC.

7. Approve the:

(i) Resumption of the following Standing Committees

(ii) Appointment of Council members to these committees

(iii) Note individuals co-opted (*), and other volunteers who assist the committees (**)

The following appointments were approved

(a) Allotments (appointment of RA liaison member only)
Alan Brudney

(b) Conservation & Amenities Committee
Peter McCluskie (Chair)
Simon Sackman (Secretary)
Helena Benes*
Patrick Ettwein*
Helen Leiser
David Lewis*
Louise Scheuer*
Ann Spencer

(c) Events Committee
Hella Schrader (Chair)
Tony Brand
Anita Harlow*
Adrian Hodgson
Jeremy Hershkorn
Stewart Roiter*
Rev Alan Walker*
Diane Walsh*
Patricia Major**
Talat Rashid**

(d) Publications Committee
Terry Brooks (Chair)
Lorna Page*(Secretary)
Daphne Berkovi*
Tony Brand
Steve Morris
Judith Samson*
Frederic Wakefield ** (eNews)

(e) Roads & Traffic Committee

Gary Shaw (Chair)
Barbara Bliss*
Richard Dessar*
Rupert Denny*
Katrina Forbes*
Michelle Roiter*
Stewart Roiter*
Harry Simmonds

- (f) Trees & Open Spaces Committee
Colin Gregory (Chair)
Lynda Cook (Secretary)*
Alan Brudney
Sam Dörger*
Tony Ghilchik
David B Lewis*
Philip Samworth*
Maria Schlatter*
Ann Spencer
David Rose** (hedgehog helpline)

Bute Mews Working Group is not being resumed but see 8(b) below

8. Approve the appointment of Council and RA members to the following individual roles:

- (a) Membership Secretary
Michelle Roiter
- (b) Bute Mews Environment Officer
Barbara Bliss
- (c) Data Protection Officer
Peter McCluskie
- (d) Golders Green Projects Liaison Officer
Peter McCluskie
- (e) Memorial Seats Officer
Harry Simmonds
- (f) Noise Abatement Officer
Gary Shaw
- (g) HGS Website & Lists Administrator
Steve Morris

9. Approve the appointment of Council and other RA members to other organisations:

- (a) Bigwood & Littlewood Management Group
Alan Brudney, Tony Ghilchik and Colin Gregory
- (b) City of London's Hampstead Heath Consultative Committee

Colin Gregory

- (c) Federation of Residents Association of Barnet (FORAB)
(No appointment at this stage)
- (d) HGS Conservation Area Advisory Committee
Helena Benes and Peter McCluskie
- (e) HGS Fellowship
Louise Scheuer
- (f) HGS Heritage
Janet Elliott
- (g) HGS Trust (nominees)
 - (i) Estate Committee
Alan Brudney
 - (ii) Finance Committee
Tony Ghilchik
 - (iv) Property & Plans Committee
Patrick Ettwein, Ann Spencer and Peter McCluskie (alternate)
- (g) Kenwood Landscape Forum
Maria Schlatter
- (h) London Forum
Helen Leiser
- (i) Orchard Housing Society
Alan Brudney
- (j) Garden Suburb Police Ward Panel
Emma Howard (main contact), Helen Leiser

It was agreed that it is useful to have feedback from these representatives, although some bodies link into the existing standing committees.

10. Use of Eileen Whelan Room for committee meetings including risk assessment required for insurance.

The insurance company (Zurich) has informed us that any RA meeting held in a public place requires a risk assessment. Adrian Hodgson was not convinced this was accurate and offered to look into the matter upon receipt of a copy of the policy document.

Action Adrian H

11. April 25 Open Meeting

11.1 This will be chaired by the Revd Alan Walker who will collate the written questions from attendees.

11.2 The three councillors have agreed to attend but Andrew Dismore was unable to come.

12. RA domain and website including new email address formats

12.1 Steve Morris is setting up a new domain (hgsra.uk) and web site for the RA – which he hopes will be completed by June. **Action Steve M**

12.2 New email addresses for RA officers and standing committees will be available very soon.

13. Highway Planned Maintenance Programme

Gary Shaw was not in attendance to update the meeting. He will be asked for a written note that can be put onto the website. **Action Peter M**

14. Wordsworth Walk Twitten oak tree

14.1 Concern was expressed about the proposal by the HGS Trust in response to a request from five households, to carry out work on this tree. This work was considered unnecessary by members of the Trees & Open Spaces Committee and the view of the tree expert consulted in this matter was that the tree would not have survived such a harsh prune if it had been carried out. Fortunately LB Barnet had not agreed with the proposal and it was reported only dead wood had been removed. This however needs to be checked. **Action Colin G/Ann S**

14.2 Concern was expressed that the HGS Trust carry out extensive and expensive work to allotments without consulting the plot owners who have to meet the cost.

15. Update from Publications regarding new editor

There had not yet been any positive response but an article will be included in the next Suburb News. **Action Terry B**

16. Children's writing competition

16.1 A children's competition will be held with three different age groups, to write a poem about the Suburb with prizes of £20.

16.2 Invitations to participate will be sent to the local schools.

16.3 A suitable judge for the competition is being sought. **Action Terry B**

17. Any other urgent business

17.1 Open House

A Motion was proposed by Adrian Hodgson and seconded by Peter McCluskie

'That the RA should make a payment of £800 to participate in Open House 2019 on the basis that both Churches would each reimburse the RA £200'

This was passed unanimously

17.2 Litter Pickers

Terry Brooks will try to locate a list of litter pickers.

Action Terry B

18. Next scheduled meeting of Council: Tuesday 4 June 2019 at 8pm in Fellowship House.

This was confirmed