

# **HANGER HILL GARDEN ESTATE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION**

## **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2006**

The meeting was opened by the Chair Bill Bailey who welcomed all attendees including: Councillors Diana Pagan and Nigel Sumner, Neighbourhood Watch representative Leo Colgan, Police Insp. Ray Elbourne, PCs William Hermitage and Keith Long.

Apologies were noted for Councillor Barbara Yerolomou, Committee members Nigel Sharman and Isabel Mahoney.

1. **2005 AGM. Minutes** were approved. There were no matters arising.

### **2. Community Policing on the Estate**

Guest speaker Inspector Ray Elbourne gave a very illuminating presentation on the Safer Neighbourhoods scheme. He introduced two members of the local team, currently based in Provident House, Acton. They will work bi-monthly with local Focus Groups, comprising a cross section of the community in the wards, to identify key issues and trouble spots. A presentation on the Smartwater property identikit was also given.

### **3 Annual Report: The Estate**

#### **West Acton Control Parking Zone F**

Planning and site meetings were held with LBE Highways Dept, to agree the detail of the scheme, which was implemented this April, following a favourable consultation with residents. A number of questions were asked and clarification given on how the scheme operates. Residents with garages were encouraged to use them.

#### **Traffic Calming**

A 20mph speed limit had been introduced on the Estate, following the favourable survey with residents,

#### **The Roundabout at Vale Lane / Monks Drive**

Meetings had been held with the Highways Dept, with support from Councillor Sumner. Proposals were received to control traffic flow and will be submitted for planning approval.

#### **Street Lights**

Previously reported plans to replace and upgrade street lighting across the Estate progressed. Detailed plans were reviewed with EDF the Council's contractors. The scheme is due to be implemented this summer.

#### **The Uxbridge Road Tram project**

The Residents Association continued to support the Save Ealing's Streets Campaign. Their efforts helped to overturn the plans to divert Uxbridge Road traffic into Queens Drive.

#### **Neighbourhood Watch**

A vote of thanks was proposed to Leo Colgan who is retiring after sixteen years as local Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator. Trudy Prescott his replacement was introduced and spoke about her new role. A review of Neighbourhood Watch, including a resident's survey, will be undertaken.

#### **Vote of Thanks**

A vote of thanks was also proposed to the Ward Councillors, prior to the council elections, for their unceasing efforts on behalf of the Hanger Hill Garden Estate ward.

#### **4. Annual Report: Houses**

##### **The Gardens**

The new gardens maintenance contract was started and will be kept under review during the year ahead. A sum of £2250 was paid towards restoring the new boundary fence around the Pond Garden. A similar amount has been committed towards restoring the garden itself.

##### **The Service Roads**

Repairs to the Monks Drive / Princes Gardens were completed in the spring of 2005. VAT was reclaimed, thus keeping down the cost per house. Nearly all residents concerned paid their contribution for which the Residents Association is extremely grateful. Outstanding contributions are still being chased.

##### **Service Roads Gates**

Discussions were held with planners, the Crime Prevention Officer and residents on other estates where gates have been installed. A planning application was submitted to the Council. Quotes were obtained from three companies. Utility plans were acquired and a Rights of Way search undertaken. Detailed drawings are being prepared.

##### **Service Road Lights**

The Council were requested to survey them and defective units were replaced.

##### **Conservation & Planning:**

Sergei Turceninoff is the new secretary of the Conservation Panel. All planning applications are sent to him for scrutiny. Unauthorised building works should be reported to him on 020 8992 0769 and to the Council on 020 8825 6600. Residents were asked to advise neighbours of the need for planning approval.

#### **5. Annual Report: Flats**

##### **The Flats Residents Association**

The Flats Committee continued to liaise with the HHGE Ltd the flats company Board and Gross Fine the Managing Agents and represented residents at their meetings and held regular meeting of its own.

##### **Local Issues**

The Flats Committee liaised in particular with the Houses Committee with regards the implementation of Traffic Calming, and the CPZ scheme in view of the lack of garage parking available for flat residents. Input was also given on the proposals for new Street Lights and to improve pedestrian safety.

##### **Service Roads**

It was noted that the service road parking restrictions were successfully keeping the service roads clear of illegal parking.

##### **Pond Garden**

Two concept plans, for the redesign and planting of the garden were prepared by Able Gardeners and had been displayed at Japan Services and 9 Rutland Court. Consultation is now taking place with local residents.

##### **Vote of Thanks**

Anthea Douglas thanked Graham Flowerdew the Estate Manager for all his hard work during the year

#### **6. Treasurer's Reports:**

**Houses** – Victor Jundi presented the Audited Accounts

**Flats** – Anthea Douglas presented the Flats Accounts

## **7. Election of Officers**

The Meeting unanimously re-elected Bill Bailey as Chair and Carole McLoughlin was elected as Vice-Chair.

## **8. Election of Committee Members**

The Meeting elected members of both Committees unanimously.

### **Houses Committee**

Bill Bailey	134 Princes Gdns - Chair
Sergei Turcheninoff	43 Monks Drive - Secretary
Victor Jundi	187 Princes Gdns - Treasurer
Harriet Lalor	9 Monks Drive
Isabel Mahoney	20 Princes Gdns
Gill McCaffery	195 Princes Gdns
Alan Merrett	15 Queens Drive
Sharad Parmekar	155 Princes Gdns
Gary Richards	39 Princes Gdns
Nigel Sharman	22 Princes Gdns
MC Tsang	167 Princes Gdns
Barbara Young	7 Monks Drive

### **Flats Committee**

Robin Bowden	11 Essex House
Carole McLoughlin	2 Essex House - Secretary
Anthea Douglas	2 Buckingham House – Treasurer
Renate Sohnen-Theime	11 Devon Court
Julia Wong	21 Oxford Court

## **7. Subscription Rates**

Flats Subscription to remain at £2, except for new members. Houses Subscription voted to remain at £30.

## **8. AOB**

### **The HHGERA Website**

A question was raised about the status of the website. Bill Bailey advised it is not currently operational and a new webmaster was being recruited. MC Tsang has subsequently volunteered to take on this project.

### **Conservation Panel**

A request was made for new members of this panel and in particular anyone with an architectural background.

**9.** The Meeting closed at 9.15pm. Bill Bailey thanked all those for attending and supporting the Residents Association and in particular our local Councillors and Home Beat Officers.