

## WARREN AND DISTRICT RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

- Minutes of the virtual Committee meeting held via Zoom videoconference
- Date: Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> Nov 2020 commencing 19.30hrs
- Present: Elisa Miles (Chair), Hayley Brommell (Treasurer), Martin Brommell (Secretary), Pam Reynolds, Alistair McLean, Bob O'Neill (by audio), Robin Bentham, Jane Bickerstaffe
- Apologies:

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### 1178. Minutes of Last Meeting:

Minutes of committee meeting held 10<sup>th</sup> Sep 2020 signed off by the committee as an accurate record of the meeting. Copy sent to Kevin Miles to store on the WADRA website- **Action: Closed**

### 1179. Treasurers Report

#### WADRA Accounts –

Accounts 10 September 2020	Amount
Santander Savings & Current Fundraising	£30,005.15
Santander Current WADRA	£967.21
Petty Cash/Float	£57.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£31,029.36</b>

- Figures include £5.00 for a new membership fee, £56.70p for Handy Labels (Xmas Cards) and two payments of £104.99 and £13.38 for audit of accounts and administration.
- £100 compensation for footpath 43 issues was paid into the WADRA account by Alistair McLean.
- 2019/20 accounts signed off by Steve Brown, an independent professional auditor. **Action: Closed**

### 1180. Newsletter

AGM newsletter delivered electronically to majority of members prior to 28<sup>th</sup> October'20 virtual meeting. Remaining 25 were hand delivered due to no current email address on record. Chair suggested next newsletter to be published late February 2021 to cover topics such as Pavilion opening, fundraising, Deed of Dedication, NRSNF update and storage at MPF. **Action: Closed**

### 1181. WADRA Website

Committee to consider content to be added including a page dedicated to the basics from Safer Neighbourhood Forum matters. A pressing action is to update the website to show the new Chairperson, Treasurer and Secretary. – **Action: Ongoing**

### 1182. Committee

Martin has requested that he is replaced as secretary, effective from January 2021, to allow him to concentrate specifically on the growing commitments relating to MPF and the Safer Neighbourhood Forum.

Elisa asked all committee members to give careful consideration to suitable candidates to join or be co-opted to the committee and for a replacement secretary to be found as a matter of priority.

**Action: All committee members**

### 1183. WADRA Xmas Cards

Hayley to provide Elisa with the street distribution list to enable Elisa to batch the cards by road. List to be published so that committee members can volunteer which streets they are willing to deliver to by no later than Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2020.

**Action: All committee**

### 1184. Planning Applications

#### Old Planning:

No.	Address	Details	Dated	Status
200047	3 Hewett Ave	Cert of Law/ness, Hip Gable Roof Extn	13 Jan '20	P28/09
200736	2 Hewett Ave	Extn loft & garage conv. New garage	31 May'20	P23/11
200876	9 Hewett Ave	Proposed Large Shed	27 Jul '20	P21/09
200716	Pump Stn, Chazey Road	Demolition & replace with new house	03 Aug '20	
201026	7 Hewett Ave	Garage Conv. Front & rear extns	03 Aug'20	P14/09
201074	MPF	Drainage Prop. Deep Borehole Discharge	18 Aug '20	P09/11
201131	3 St Peters Ave	Timber Building: Use as a Gym	24 Aug'20	Con ends 18/08
201151	21 Chazey Road	Annex to main building for parents to live in	8 Sep'20	

C – Commented P – Permitted W – Withdrawn R – Refused CD – Conditions Discharged

Con – Start of Consultation Period

#### 1185. New Planning:

No.	Address	Details	Date	Status
201233	Grass Hill	2No, 3 Bed Flats with garages	21 Sep'20	
201284	93 Woodcote Road	Front & Side extensions.	21 Sep'20	P13/11
201331	High Ridge, Upper Warren Avenue	Replacement dwelling	12 Sep'20	
201387	54 Chazey Road	Single side storey extension	12 Oct'20	
201472	Mapledurham Lawn Tennis Club (MLTC), MPF	Extension to floodlighting hours 20.00-22.00hrs	9 Nov'20	

201521	1 River Road	Single storey rear extension	9 Nov'20	
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C-Commented P – Permitted W – Withdrawn R – Refused CD – Conditions Discharged  
OS – Observations Sent

(NB: No action to be taken on the current set of planning applications, unless a resident/member requests our assistance on one of the current proposals.)

- 200718 Pumping station, Chazey Road, considered to be out of keeping with the surrounding properties and too near to the road. Alistair to write objection on behalf of WADRA. - **Action: Closed**
- Concerns exist regarding Kiers proposals, and supported by the Environment Agency, regarding bore holes and waste water management at MPF. The committee fear this will cause contamination to enter the main water supply. Alistair to contact Thames Water to flag concerns. – **Action: Closed**

#### **1186. Mapledurham Playing Field Pavilion:**

Nigel Stanbrook has asked the MLTC to re-allocate £1,000 set aside for disabled toilets but no longer needed, to be used to buy kitchen equipment instead. This to include a hob, fridge and oven. Elisa is liaising with Nigel. **Action: Elisa ongoing**

#### **1187. Deed of Dedication**

No updates have been provided from Chris Brooks to repeated requests for progress to implement a DoD at MPF. Sticking points concern existing licenses and granting of future licenses. WADRA has spoken to David Sharman from Fields in Trust and established that no-one has contacted him or FiT since March'20. Elisa to chase up with Mr Brooks as this is now long overdue. **Action: Elisa**

#### **1188. Storage at MPF**

No updates received from Andy Lockwood or Daniel Mander regarding storage at MPF. Elisa to chase up with both. **Action: Elisa**

#### **1189. MPF Pavilion Opening Event**

Pavilion unlikely to open until Jan/Feb'21 earliest subject to the pavilion refurbishment being completed and signed off by the building inspector. WADRA proposing to hold a low key event with light refreshments. **Action: Ongoing**

#### **1190. Fundraising**

Two events are planned:

- Xmas Trail across all Caversham and supported by WADRA with details published on the website.
- Summer Fete early summer around June'21.

**Action: Elisa**

#### **1191. School Streets around MPF**

No satisfactory response received from The Heights regarding an application for School Streets to be applied for in the immediate vicinity of the new school site at MPF. The committee agreed that it takes time to set these up and asked the question “why not put them in now?” If in place before the school opens, parents will accept restrictions as de facto. If the school applies after the new site opens, WADRA believes parents will resist and fight against such an initiative. Martin to draft a letter to be sent from Elisa to Esme Tiplady, Karen Edwards and Nick Waldon to chase this matter and to request a meeting takes place before Xmas to discuss.

**Action: Martin/Elisa**

**1192. Hewett Avenue Verge Scheme & Treet Planting:**

Bob O'Neill to ask Dave Kenny from Caversham Globe what spare trees are available that WADRA/residents can acquire for verge planting in Hewett Avenue. – **Action Bob**

**1193. School Streets**

Martin to produce 1<sup>st</sup> draft of a letter regarding School Streets to be circulated to committee members for Pam and Jane to edit and refine prior to sending to Karen Edwards and Nick Waldon of The Heights. Letter to major on health and safety, clean air benefits and continued retention of the Heights prestigious “Reading Modeshift Stars Primary School of the Year Winners”. **Action: Martin**

**1194. CADRA/EGRA Collaboration**

Helen Lambert tried calling Elisa regarding WADRA/CADRA collaboration whilst she was in the USA. EGRA have not responded. Elisa to contact Helen to progress the matter of WADRA’s willingness to work collaboratively with CADRA and EGRA in support of the overall protection of green space right across the borough. This must include their written support for objecting to any further development at MPF. **Action: Elisa**

**1195. AOB**

1. Various topics of concern were passed to Martin to raise at the forthcoming NRSNF due 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec’20.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 22:00pm.

**Future meeting dates for your diary:**

To be held at Larksmead, Upper Warren Avenue, RG4 7EB commencing 19.30hrs (Zoom if Covid19 restrictions continue)

- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2021