

Minutes of KTRA Meeting Nov 3rd 2008

Chair: Neil Thomas
Minutes: Jude Allen

Apologies: Rob Grover, Andy Bradfield

Minutes of Previous Meeting – approved

Guest Speakers

Point 4.1 – Vikash Mistry, Brent Council Neighbourhood Working

(a) Brent is divided into separate wards. Each ward has been allocated 20k GBP to spend on community projects. KTRA should work with local council to develop projects at local level provided they benefit communities across the ward.

eg.

- 'Alligating' (provision of steel gates to restrict access to service roads & properties to prevent fly tipping.
- Youth out-reach work
- Support for a local Elder's club
- Local schools can collaborate on Arts projects provided at least one school is in the ward.
- Community notice board

(b) Additional funding may be available for one-off projects. Propose we look at other stakeholders for funding. Also noted that we could apply for 2nd round funding Brent Sustainability Forum budget.

Point 5.1 - Safer Neighbourhood team report (summary read out by Neil at the meeting. (See attached PDF file for full details)

Point 5.2 – CCTV in Kilburn Lane

(a) Concern that crime is creeping into the Triangle from Kilburn Lane. Neighbourhood Working has funded 2 CCTV mobile cameras. Fixed cameras cost 50 GBP each plus operating costs. One option is for Wards to get together and share costs.

Point 6 – Highways and Byways

(a) Residents take pride in the fact they live in a conservation area. Why doesn't the council put up signage to promote this? For example we have a wealth of superb Victorian architecture in the area.

(b) Bulbs will be planted at the top of Wakeman Road next year.

Point 6.1 – Speed Cameras

(a) Despite exhaustive campaigning efforts by KTRA, TFL have said there will be NO cameras on the Cemetery side of the Harrow Road. Propose we take TFL out of the equation and ask Cllr. Simon Green to follow up on our behalf. Using Freedom of Information act, request statistics on no. road deaths that have occurred on the other side of the road.

Point 6.2 – Ladbroke Grove Junction Round up

(a) Rob Grover has gone to Local Authority on our behalf. Jay Venn in lead of this campaign.

Point 6.3 – Wellington Road Yellow Lines

(a) Avril notified Dennis Lewis about the mystery of the double yellow lines appearing on Wellington Road with spaces missing.

Point 6.4 – Congestion Charge

Issue raised by Hugh Byrne. Cllr Green approached the Mayor on our behalf re request to be included in the Discount Zone. Some publicity in the Kilburn times garnered support from local community. Cllr Green to report back after consultation process concludes.

Point 6.5 – Rainham Road

(a) Concern that the development on flats on Harrow Road will lead to further parking congestion on Rainham Road/Wakeman Road

Point 7.1 – Public Transport

Still awaiting formal email confirmation re KTRA community noticeboards. Cllr Green to follow up on our behalf. In the meantime, Avril received verbal agreement from Station Manager that we can use the notice board outside Kensal Green Tube station to post information about KTRA; local businesses etc.as an interim solution.

Point 8 – Streetcare and Cleaning

(a) It was noted that pathway leading from Harrow Road to Kensal Green station has uneven paving stones which are dangerous for pedestrians. Needs to be replaced or repaired

Point 10 – Planning & Development

- No plans for the Car Wash to be developed as of yet
- Jan 13th 2009 10am, Planning Inspectorate meeting at the Town Hall for the Bedsits development. KTRA supports Brent Council's view that this multiple occupancy will set a bad precedent for the area.

Point 11 – KTRA Membership & Organization

(a) KTRA Xmas Social confirmed Mon. Dec 1st at William IV after the meeting.

(b) KTRA Website – local Vet contributed 200 GBP to support KTRA/develop our website.

Members discussed how best to grow membership base and raise awareness about what we're doing/campaign issues etc,

- Create a KTRA member skills base page
- Create Discussion Board (with login and password)
- Members contribute articles/features/pictures etc
- Hold a Street Party – Summer 2009
- Create a Xmas or New Year's newsletter – then Spring/Summer editions to follow.
- Build on what we've achieved to date.
- Reviews of local restaurants
- Sponsorship?

AOB

(a) Cemetery Wall update – Jude to get update on progress from site manager and report back to meeting in Dec.

Next meeting December 1st 2008