

# Kensal Triangle Residents Association

5<sup>th</sup> October 2009

## Minutes

Chair: Will Waddington

Minutes: Rob Grover

1. Welcome:
2. Minutes: Agreed
3. Matters Arising: None
4. Community Safety: Chris
  - a. Sgt Mike Pilkington will be leaving the Community Safety Team for career progression. The new Sergeant is expected in late November.
  - b. ACTION: Agreed that David would draft a letter of thanks to Sgt Pilkington as it was a meeting that he called that led to the creation of KTRA.
  - c. There is a possibility of having a Safer Neighbourhoods Office in the area. ACTION: Avril to circulate suggestions for a letter and who it should go to. (Chief Inspector Ian Vincent)
  - d. Local Crime report: Chris reported a high level of crime at recently, mainly burglary and care crime, mainly during the day.
  - e. The meeting also noted the CSOs support for the Street Party.
5. Drains:
  - a. 4<sup>th</sup> Sept, RBKC removed manhole covers to check the sewers under Harrow Rd. Some rubbish and large stick removed. First inspection since 1995
  - b. AGREED: that we should ask RBKC to do this every 6 months.
  - c. Drains in Pember and Bayford also checked last week.
6. Rodents:
  - a. Cllr Green reported that he had persuaded the Brent Environmental Team to bring forward visits to several local addresses. The Inspector agreed there was a serious local problem. Bait laid.
  - b. Cause not clear, but 'interceptor cap' missing in the Warfield Rd garage and this could make it easier for the rats to move around.
  - c. Thames Water visited and promised to take action.
  - d. Issue to be reviewed at future meetings.
7. KTRA Membership and Organisation - Queens Park Day:
  - a. The raffle raised £530. Thanks to the local businesses who donated prizes and the volunteers who sold tickets.
  - b. ACTION1: Agreed that items need to be wind-proof. E.g. clipboards for paperwork
  - c. ACTION2: Agreed to promote the donors (i.e. the local businesses) as a thank-you. Noted that they are already listed on the website. Ruth offered to add some information to the notice boards.

- d. KTRA Street party. – a great time had by all!!! The best party since the Queen’s Jubilee.
  - e. Noted that we collected contact details for a further 40 residents.
  - f. ACTION1: Meeting agreed a vote of thanks to Ruth and Jude for the huge amount of work they put into making the event a success. Excellent efforts of Gail, Jay, Andy, Dave H, also noted
  - g. ACTION2: post-mortem to be held at Dave’s at 8.30 on the 7<sup>th</sup>. Businesses who had stalls are being asked for feedback via email.
8. Cemetery Wall
- a. The KG Cem Co have drawn up plans to replace the wall.
  - b. Application for grant made to English Heritage. Rejected, but further meeting agreed that could lead to a second application.
  - c. More info on the KCC Co website.
  - d. Security Fencing: Meeting expressed great concern that the current fencing was insecure.
  - e. Suggested that concerns be raised via the Friends of KG Cemetery
9. Highways: Ladbroke Grove crossing traffic lights: lack of pedestrian phase.
- a. Murad Qureshi: Member of the Greater London Assembly has asked questions about this at the Mayor’s question time.
  - b. Q1: How many accidents reported in three years? Answer: 20 collisions, 24 injuries, 4 serious.
  - c. Q2: What plans to make the unction safer? Answer: City of Westminster is responsible for the crossing. TfL to provide technical advice to City of Westminster.
  - d. The meeting expressed concern that the Mayor was ducking the issue and we were still waiting for some action. Even though Cllr Dimoldenburg (Queens Park Westminster) had been writing to the Head of Traffic Management for some months, following our petition.
  - e. Noted that the junction is heavily used by pedestrians: Children heading to school, shoppers to Sainsbury’s and travellers swapping bus routes.
  - f. ACTION: Agreed that we should write to Sainsbury’s to request their support (Rob to do this)
10. Noticeboards
- a. Proposal that we put up a ‘Thank-you’ notice to local businesses. Also some discussion on putting photos of the party, but some concern about privacy.
11. Next Meeting:
- a. Issues: Xmas Party
  - b. Chair: Jude
  - c. Minutes: Gail