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1.0 Welcome and introductions

2.0 Apologies (Andy Bradfield, Phil Davenport, Hannah Anderson, Neil Thomas, Joseph Jones, Molly Wilkinson, Cllr Will Motley, Cllr Simon Green, Ben Curzon, Dave Halbury.)

3.0 Minutes of previous not available

4.0 Guest speaker – Denis Lewis (Brent Council Street Care)
re compulsory recycling: This refers to the ‘dry’ recycling ie: the green box. DL made it clear that the council do not want to take people to court, but want to educate people into recycling more. Organic and bio-sacks are not included in this.

Question about green wheelie bins: Brent ran out of bins when they got here – that’s why most of us don’t have them (ie: we have to request them - we can get email address for Dennis Lewis off our website)

Other comments and questions:

- a. Question about what you can put in – can’t put cardboard in white sacks.
- b. Jay complained about the manner of communicating compulsory recycling as some old people found it intimidating. DL pointed out that if it seemed ‘aggressive’ it was trying to get your attention. He said they do not want to mince their words, but they are not looking to fine people.
- c. Bernard complained about the number not being answered (5050 number). If we have a comment or complaint use DL’s email address.
- d. Berens Road recycling was not collected this week.
- e. What should we do with big cardboard boxes? Dustmen should take it if is near bin.
- f. Complaint about bins always left on the pavement outside 39/41 Rainham Road – DL will ensure that the binmen put these bins on to the front gardens of the house. It was requested that this could be put in writing by DL to help our case against the development of this property.

5.0 Carnival! Mick Pilkington wants our feedback – if there is enough concern perhaps Safer Neighbourhood team will be able to have a presence on Harrow Road next August bank holiday Monday. We should let him know about all our issues. Noise, dirt, etc.

Avril asked for Harrow Road to be pressure washed. As well as comments about parts that haven't been cleared so well, there were comments about how clean the area looked considering the scale of the party!

We acknowledged that having 9 loos was much appreciated. (Thanks to Cllr Green for his help!)

6.0 Highways and byways

6.1 CCTV on corner of Buller Road and Kilburn Lane (Avril):

Mick would like our input about the need/requirement for this camera. Concluded that everyone supports Mick's request for this camera.

6.2 The Rainham Road Lorry Incident! Example of why we want the Wakeman Road entrance reduced. This was a foreign lorry driver. He was arrested but released without charge.

Question about unmarked bus-stop on Bannister Road that is causing traffic confusion/congestion. DL will get the people concerned to get their finger out to get proper road markings put in.

7.0 Policing – safer neighbourhood team. (Jude reported in absence of Sgt Mick Pilkington) It was a very bad month!

(31 July- 31 Aug) 1 burglary thro an open window, 1 forced door. 1 forced door in day and 2 in flats Wakeman (all in daylight) 2 thefts from cars via broken windows, 2 stolen number plates, wallet stolen from man in Pember Road.

So it looks like we have a 'serial burglar' so be extra careful.

NEW constable joining the team (PC Richard Rossington) PC Paul Jones is going to Harlesden.

Plain clothes police have been monitoring the area. They are looking for drug dealers. Please report any strange behaviour

8.0 KTRA membership and organisation.

Queens Park Day! Stall artwork underway, (Dave offered to help Ruth with larger printouts!) Some fantastic raffle prizes have been sourced by Jude.

- Surgery, Times to be sorted out
- We need volunteers for help on the stall on the day.
- We would like to use some of the proceeds to do an occasional newsletter
- We need volunteers for leaflet drop of Gail's Queen's Park Day fliers.
- Want to thank Molly as it was her idea in the first place.

11. Public Transport. Bernard reported on unlicensed minicabs – reminding us to make sure we all use reputable cab companies. Jude and Martin both recommended local companies, so suggest asking around if you do not have a reliable number.

Bernard also raised the issue of rude/uncooperative bus drivers and it was suggested that in case of complaints about buses, you should make a note of the number and time and report it.

12 Water pressure. Will reported that the workmen from Thames Water told him there is a problem with a valve in the area. They will upgrade the pipes in the future, (they are doing it everywhere section by section) but in the meantime they seem to have fixed the immediate problem. However we should still monitor this as we have a history of poor water pressure in this area.

AOB: London's first Eco Cinema is about to open on Chamberlayne Road! The Lexy is going to open on 9 October.

Next meeting 6 October Chair : Hannah Minutes: Rob