

## **CHANNEL ISLES & DISTRICT TENANTS & RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION**

Minutes of the Meeting held on the 27<sup>th</sup> of January 2005 at Rozel Court.

Present: Ali Khobzi (Tenants Participation Unit); Helen Prophett & Sharon Sample (Lordshill Housing Office); Nicola O'Rourke (Swaythling Housing Society); Richard Downes (N/Warden Maybush L.H.O.); Barbra Hancock (T.W.I.C.S.); Edward Lang (cidtra); Karen Hunt (cidtra); Jo Van Tright (cidtra); Paul Hennessey (Chair cidtra); Sylvie O'Halloran (cidtra); Podge Eldridge (cidtra); Gary Waters (cidtra); Eileen Cunningham; Cindy O'Driscoll; Anne Miles; Alison Holdaway (cidtra); Sylvia Eldridge.

Apologies: Cllr Dennis Harryman, Cllr Peter Marsh Jenks, Alison Bull (O.S.R.) Paul Godfray (N/Warden) Anne Maylott (Maybush Housing)

1. Minutes of Annual General Meeting 25 November 2004 were circulated and read, agreed to be a true record.

2. Matters arising: there were no matters arising.

3. Treasurers Report: Sylvie gave a verbal report to the meeting she said we were now in a position to give a report on our account held at Natwest in Shirley, cidtra has been successful in obtaining two grants of £300.00, one from Southampton Voluntary Services, the other from the Tenants Participation Unit. Sylvie and Paul will attend a course on Bookkeeping to be able to meet the requirements of the funding. At the moment after some small expenses the Account stands at £552.53.

4. Maintenance: Paul gave a report on the lighting problems around the estate and the response to his call to Action Line, Electrical Engineers spent 3 days tracing faults and repairing the lights, but there are still some lights either not working or still staying on during the day.

A resident spoke of dangerous paving slabs not being repaired or replaced, Paul said he was involved with Helen Prophett in carrying out a Survey around the estate and reminded the meeting of the old enemy, the costs involved, we will get a report back when the survey has been completed.

5. Jersey Close Development. Nicola O'Rourke told the meeting the required notices had gone up to explain the Legal Position and that a physical presence would start in March/April, which is the proposal at this time. She tried to answer questions from the meeting, including the Safety aspect of construction vehicles visiting the site and the Security once building work starts. Nicola answered some of the concerns voiced, she said there would be talks to address our concerns. The Security of the Site is very high on the Contractor's agenda and they have taken advice from the Security Firm being used at the Newlands School Sure Start Development, where apparently there were only two windows broken. Nicola said she would be in a better position to report back at the February Meeting, Anne Miles asked why her Solicitor could find no information on his search, Nicola could not answer but did explain to some satisfaction her questions Nicola

mentioned Slalom gates and rails that would be put in. Paul thanked her for her report and we looked forward to next one.

6. Community Garden Project: Sylvie and Paul gave a brief outline of our Application for Funding to create a Garden Project at the rear of Lower Brownhill Rd, we received a hand drawn plan and letter of support and also a letter of complaint from a Flamborough Close resident on behalf of her neighbours stating they were firmly against the project, however we are going to continue the process bearing in mind the objection. Richard Whettingsteel a Landscaper has some ideas and has said he will draw up a plan for consideration. Paul spoke of the Green Gym based at Millbrook Community School as a good contact. Paul has asked Alison Bull at Maybush Local Housing Office to look into the position of the Resident who said she was paying rent for a piece of land on the area of the garden project, he will report back on this matter.

7. Points from Public: Jo raised the problem of a resident having Chemotherapy, needing a taxi and having Access problems. Podge and others mentioned the need to replace missing Road Signs as a matter of safety before the Jersey Close Development starts. Jo and others raised the questions of which Routes would be used to access the site, also the Question of Parking in the Area of the Development, on and off road, Nicola said where possible she would seek to resolve the above problems raised, but no firm promises were given.

At this point in the meeting invited Guests who wished to leave could do so or they were welcome to stay.

8. Membership of other bodies: an application to join Southampton Voluntary Services has been submitted.

9. Sub Committees: Sylvie and Alison to look into a sub-committee for the Garden Project, assuming we are successful in meeting the requirements. There may be a need to apply for CRB clearance as we will be working with young people.

10. Phone and e-mail. Paul informed the meeting that he had the mobile from Gary and the e-mail address was the same [cidra@hotmail.com](mailto:cidra@hotmail.com) where we can be reached.

11. Business Cards and Photos. Ali Khobzi said he would be willing to supply these. He would send Paul the application forms.

12. A.O.B: Edward raised the problems of the shortage of parking on the Estate it was suggested by Podge that we invite someone from Highways to discuss this to see if there is anything that can be done to improve the situation it was agreed to do this.

Date of next meeting 24.02.05. This being agreed Paul thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8.30pm.