

**CHANNEL ISLES & DISTRICT TENANTS & RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION
(Cidtra)**

Minutes of meeting held 28 July 2005 at Rozel Court 7pm.

Attendance: Paul Hennessey (Chair); Edward Lang (Cidtra); Gary Waters (Cidtra); Alison Holdaway (Cidtra); Ann Maylott (Maybush Housing Officer); Sharon Samples (Lordshill Housing Officer); Paul Godfray (Neighbourhood Warden); Paul O. Donovan (T.P.U.); Nicola O'Rourke (Swaythling Housing Association); C Payne and P Arculus (Drew Smith); D Harryman (Councillor); K Bruce (Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator); Podge Eldridge (Secretary); there were Sixteen Local Residents.

1. Apologies: P.C. Goodall (Shirley Police); Sylvie O'Halloran (Treasurer); Dianne Brown; Parmjit Thiara; Jo Van Tright (Vice Chair, unwell)

2. Minutes of last meeting: 23 June 2005 read and accepted.

3. Matters Arising: Paul reviewed them and said they will be covered on the agenda.

4. Treasurers Report: Paul reported in Sylvie's absence that after paying out £195.00 to Zurich Mutual Insurance, for Public Liability the account stands at £3,275.75, we are expecting an interim invoice from Richard Whettingsteel our contractor for the Garden Project at any time.

5. Maintenance: Paul reported that the slalom gates adjacent to St Martins Close had been interfered with and were awaiting to be secured, Paul Godfray said it was in hand, Paul had noticed and has had reported to him several places where paving slabs were dangerous and even missing.

It was agreed an inspection would be carried out in the St Martins and St Brelades parts of the Estate, residents were encouraged to report such things to the Council via the Action Line.

The problem of parking posts was again raised the removal of these has been adjourned on grounds of Health & Safety, and a contractor is being approached to tender for the removal of the remaining posts that are agreed to be removed.

Car park walls; Sharon Samples told the meeting this was a bigger problem than at first thought, and she will be seeking funding to programme the repairs as there is a limited budget for such items.

Weed spraying or the lack of it was also raised as this leads to damage to the paving slabs, herbicidal treatments would be cost affective by preventing damage to the hard surface paved areas we hope this also will be looked into.

6. Jersey Close Development: Nicola O'Rourke from Swaythling Housing Association informed the meeting that contracts had been entered into with the builders Drew Smith, the successful contractors, on Wednesday the 13th of July 2005 and introduced Chris Payne and Peter Arculus, who will be the Contracts Manager for the project and would be on site from start to finish of the Development, he brought with him a revised map of the development areas.

At this point the residents that will be affected most by the work necessary to complete the development raised serious concerns they had about the project and in particular the change from 2 Phases to 1, they were angry at not being fully informed about the changes.

After a very long debate where residents aired their concerns, and the contractors representatives with Swaythling Housing tried to answer the residents by explaining that by bringing the project to an earlier finish it would shorten the time of disruption to them, it was agreed that the contractors would meet the residents affected to see if it was possible to reach agreement on a sensible way forward, Paul to assist where he could.

This being agreed as usual those guests left the meeting with the understanding that they would arrange to meet the residents concerned.

7. Community Garden Project: Fencing to the garden has been erected and the patio paving slabs have been laid, there is a problem with the colour scheme, and it appears we need to get the colour scheme approved as well as the pergola because of its height, Ann Maylott gave this information. She also said that we need to display signs to inform the local residents of the project and a copy of the Public Liability Insurance Certificate just to let the local residents know in case of any claims against the Association.

Refuse Bins: Ann Maylott told the meeting that the bins she had been looking into trying to purchase were priced at £300.00 because they were vandal proof, these bins are out of our reach so we have to find a cheaper substitute, so if anyone has any ideas please let Paul know.

8. We had a speaker, Kate Bruce from Hampshire Police, to tell us about setting up a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme on the Channel Islands Estate to stop Anti Social behaviour and report any vandalism and crime committed by the local youths, Kate reminded us to call the Local Police and ask for an incident number even if the Police cannot come out immediately.

She asked if residents were interested to call her on 02380744682 her e-mail address is, kate.bruce@hampshire.pnn.police.uk she will be pleased to hear from you, Paul O'Donovan at this point said if we needed any help with printing he would do his best to help.

9. Open Forum: Dates and times for Drew Smith/Swaythling Housing Association to meet the residents most concerned and affected by the building project should make allowances for shift workers this was agreed.

10. A.O.B. Paul (Chair) told the Association that we are affiliated to the Tenants Participation Advisory Service at National level which will enable us to use their vast network to the benefit of our own Association.

Councillor Harryman told the meeting of events happening with SO16 activities being held for the children during the Holiday period; Paul also mentioned this as he is involved in the planning.

Councillor Harryman also told the meeting that Roy Beasley from Outer Shirley Regeneration Board was running a Football Training Scheme with the help of some of the Southampton (Saints) players which will no doubt be of benefit to all concerned the Board are to be congratulated on this initiative, this is taking place at Redbridge Community School.

11. Date of next meeting that will be the Annual General Meeting will be held on the 22nd of September 2005, there being no further business Paul thanked everyone for their attendance to a lively meeting and wished them a lovely summer and reminded them that there is no meeting in August.