

CHANNEL ISLES & DISTRICT TENANTS & RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION (CIDTRA)

Minutes of meeting held on the 27 July 2006 at Rozel Court 7pm.

Attendance: Paul Hennessey (Chair); Podge Eldridge (Secretary); Gary Waters (Treasurer); Mike Holder (cidtra); Cllr Dennis Harryman (S.C.C.); Cllr Cathie McEwing (SCC); P.C. Katrina Foot (Shirley Police); Sue Edgerley (Swaythling Housing Society); Bill Gibbons. There were also 17 Residents.

1. **Apologies:** Paul O'Donovan (TPU); Chris Payne (Drew Smith Ltd); Parmjit Thiara (SCC); Martin Chase (SCC Play Areas); Peter Lodgidge (Senior Warden); Gail Sketcher (Warden); Michael Luckie (Swaythling Housing Society).
2. **Minutes of Meeting 25 May** were read and agreed as a true record.
3. **Matters arising:** 1. Parmjit being absent could not report back on the estate drainage hopefully at the next meeting? 2. St Helliars car parking; an improvement in the situation, notices have been put on vehicles and some relief has been seen, the contractors have been parking off road, new markings should go in when the building project is completed. 3. Lighting has improved as there has been considerable attention to faults, residents are urged to bring to our attention any black spots.
4. **Jersey Close Play Area:** plans and photos were displayed and residents invited to comment. We are seeking a site visit from Martin Chase of SCC play areas
5. **Treasurers Report:** Gary Waters reported that the Association had a balance of £204.10 there were no questions.
6. **Maintenance:** Paul said that repairs to walls were still being done. Sylvie O'Halloran complained that the pot holes in the off road car park at Lower Brownhill flats had been repaired but have now sunk again, Cllr Mc Ewing said she would look into it. At this point several residents of Rozel raised concerns about the money spent on the new kitchen, Cllr Harryman explained that there had been ample opportunity for residents to attend meetings called before the decision to install and express their views, he also said that the grant to pay for the kitchen had come from Outer Shirley Regeneration and not from the City Council. As this was an Agenda item the business moved on.
7. **Lower Brownhill Road Garden:** Paul informed the meeting that we had been given £100 by Swaythling Housing Society to use towards equipment etc, a letter of appreciation will be sent to them expressing our thanks for this and their co-operation and attention along with Drew Smith Ltd. Slabs have been laid alongside the fence and more are hoped for when the Jersey Close site is completed, some panels have been damaged but Richard Downes has managed to get some replacements and will carry out repairs, Paul and Mike Holder will repair the gate and fence around the compost bin. Sylvie O'Halloran asked who was allowed to use the garden, Paul said he considered it was for residents of the flats who had no garden facilities but neighbours and friends would be welcome as we wanted to be inclusive. It was suggested that a notice be displayed to make this clear. A resident of Rozel Court said that he had asked if the area in front of his flat could be paved, SCC would not consider it. Paul said he would look into the possibility if there were spare slabs from the site.
8. **Jersey Close Development:** Sue Edgerley, standing in for Michael Luckie, said that new residents should be in by Christmas, some would be part buyers but all from the City Council list.
9. **Youth work:** Gary Shawyer was unable to attend the meeting. A report was printed in the latest Newsletter. Gary will be asked if he can include more young people, Sylvie said there were several in Lower Brownhill who she thought would benefit.

A refreshment break gave residents the chance to mingle and address any particular queries to those present.

- 10.**Sarnia Court:** Podge reported that shrubs have been purchased from Hilliers and that we are now waiting for an opportunity to rotavate the soil and plant them, Open Spaces have said that they will provide topsoil to help establish the roots.
- 11.**Rozel Court Kitchen:** is now complete. Some issues raised are best dealt with by the wardens and we will consult with them.
- 12.**Open Forum:** it was noted that travellers had move onto Five Acres again. Cllr Harryman explained that a court order was needed to move them on, PC Foot told how difficult it was to stop a determined attempt to move in and explained some of the steps that were being taken.
A resident asked if it was possible to get CCTV on the Estate and Cllr Harryman pointed out the difficulties in connecting it to a central control, the cost made it prohibitive.
13. There being no further Business the Chairman thanked all for attending. The Date of the next meeting, the Annual General Meeting, will be September 28 2006 at Rozel Court 7pm.

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