

CHANNEL ISLES & DISTRICT TENANTS & RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the A.G.M. 2008 and open meeting of 18 September 2008 at Rozel Court at 7pm.

Attendance; Paul Hennessey (Chair) Gary Waters (Treasurer) Mike Holder (Cidtra) Paul Langler (Cidtra) Danny Bradley (Cidtra) Podge Eldridge (Secretary) Cllr P Holmes (SCC) Cllr B Walker (SCC) Cllr P Marsh-Jenks (SCC) Michael Farleigh (SCC. TPU) Hayley Ayres (Swathling Housing Society) Michael Luckie (Swaythling Housing Society) Plus 2 PCSOs Lee Fowler and Donna Mc Kay. Amanda Noyce (Neighbourhood Warden) There were 16 residents/ tenants.

Apologies; Jane Vine (Cidtra) PCSO Lorraine Underwood, Laura Harvey (Crime Prevention) Dennis Harryman, Brian Kneller (Open Spaces) Diane Brown, Cllr Cathie Mc Ewing (SCC)

2. Minutes of AGM 27 September 2007. Were Accepted.

3. Annual Report and Financial Report were circulated and Accepted, Accounts have been submitted to SCC for approval copies are available.

4. The Committee stood down and handed over to Michael Farleigh (SCC TPU) to conduct the Election of the new committee for 2009.

The New Committee are Paul Hennessey Chair, Secretary Podge Eldridge; Treasurer Gary Waters; Danny Bradley; Mike Holder; Paul Langler; Jane Vine; Fay Martin; Eileen Cunningham; Sylvia Eldridge; Lin Holder had resigned to enable more tenants onto the committee, thanks Lin for your help over the year. Michael Farleigh has a record of the Nominations / Seconders at the T.P.U. All committee members were voted in unanimously.

5. Change to the Constitution it is the wish of Tenants/residents of Portlet House and The Lower Brownhill Flats to form their own Block representatives, this was not possible whilst part of CIDTRA the meeting agreed to this request so the amended constitution will show this and will include Sarnia Court which at the time of setting up CIDTRA had their own Association which has now been dissolved. At this point Cllr Peter Marsh-Jenks said it was unusual for an Asscn to weaken itself by splitting up, it was explained by Michael Farleigh that TPU had tried to talk these two groups of Tenants/Residents out of setting up on their own but to no avail.

At this point Michael Farleigh gave an interesting slide show on the Building of the Channel Isles Estate he had got slides from the Southampton Evening Echo this was in line with CIDTRAs intention to stage a Forty Years Event of the building of the Estate.

This led to questions to the attending PCSOs of how often they patrolled the estate, one resident/tenant complained of her daughter being shot at with a BB gun a serious matter the PCSOs repeated their usual answer that unless people phone in to report these incidents they do not hear about them Cllr Marsh-Jenks and the Chairman encouraged the meeting that it was vital to phone in, accepting it may take time to get a result. It was obvious that many Tenants/Residents were not happy with the behaviour of the Youths visiting and living on the Estate. Hayley Ayres from Swathling Housing Society said it was very difficult to take action against any of their Residents guilty of housing breaches nowadays they have to go through so many procedures to deal with problems but they will persevere where they can.

Comfort Break. This gave people attending the meeting a chance to speak to Cllrs and Guests.

6. Minutes of the held on 24th July 2008; the minutes were read and agreed.

7. Matters arising; there were 4 Matters arising 1. The Bin Areas and a solution to stop the paving slabs being broken by SCC employees pulling the Bulk Bins along to the vehicle for emptying, the Chair replied that the answer was cost prohibiting it.

2. Blinds for the Community Rooms at Rozel Court again the answer was cost, it was suggested the Cllrs could look into this for the Tenants at the court.
3. The Secretary raised the question of there being no litter bins around the estate.
4. Danny Bradley suggested that the Photographs should be put on our web site.

8. Planning 40 Years Event. The Chairman gave a report of things so far and asked for ideas from the meeting he mentioned a 6x6 foot Quilt depicting the estate being made and said if any quilters would like to help see Lin Holder, it was suggested to ask to use the Sarnia Court community Room for a couple hours a week to fit in with the Sarnia Court Residents, Eileen Cunningham to investigate and report back.

9. A.O.B. 1. Several questions were asked about the future of the new school and what will happen to 5 Acres Podge suggested we ask Adrian Thomas to a future meeting to answer questions or supply someone who can this was agreed. 2. One resident complained about his car being hit at the junction of Atherfield Rd and Lower Brownhill Rd the committee asked the Cllrs present to get someone from the Highways Dept to speak to us on the parking problems causing concerns. It was agreed to approach Matt Dean the Cabinet member responsible for that Dept. The other Car Park at St Hellier Place needed warning signs and yellow lines to stop drivers parking on the main road. 3. Questions were asked about the future of the Oaklands Swimming Complex no real answer was given because at present no decision has been made the Cllrs said and there were no plans to close it. A lively debate followed on this subject we will wait and see. There was a Draw for prizes and lucky winners went away happy.

There being no further business the Chairman thanked everybody for their attendance and reminded them of the Date of the next meeting will be Thursday the 27th of November 2008.