

CHANNEL ISLES & DISTRICT TENANTS & RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the open meeting of the 22nd of January 2009 at Rozel Court at 7pm.

Attendance; Paul Hennessey (Chair) Gary waters (Treasurer) Paul Langler (Cidtra) Eileen Cunningham (Cidtra) Podge Eldridge (Secretary) Mike Holder (Cidtra) Cllr Cathie Mc Ewing SCC. Parmjit Thiara (Shirley Housing Office SCC) G Thornton (Swaythling Housing Society) Jane Vine (Cidtra) Ian Golding (Principal of Oasis Academy Lordshill); Dennis Harryman Visitor from Swaythling; Alan Kebble & Francis Murphy from FOSTARA. There were 10 tenants/Residents.

1. Apologies; Michael Farleigh TPU; Cllr Paul Holmes SCC; Cllr Peter Marsh-Jenks; SCC Danny Bradley (Cidtra); Sylvia Eldridge (Cidtra); Fay Martin (Cidtra); Adam Field (webmaster)
2. Talk by Ian Golding Principal of Oasis Academy Lordshill, Ian gave a brief introduction of his role and his view of how the Academy will in his view benefit the Schoolchildren of the area he said all the pupils who attend the Academy will be given every assistance to reach their potential. He also said his staff will work with the parents to enable their children to achieve this, it is his and his staffs aim to give the schoolchildren of the area the best education possible but like all new ideas it will take time. The new Building will be on the existing 5 Acres Playing field, the plans are not yet finalised but are well under way, as soon as the plans are agreed and ready the parents and Association will be able to see thm. All facilities that are presently on the old Oakland's Site will transfer to the new Academy (Except the Swimming Pool nothing has been decided on that yet) he said with hard work by Teachers, Pupils, and cooperation by Parents he is determined to raise the standard of education in the area, all adult education will also transfer to the new Academy. Several questions were put to Ian and he did his best to answer them, the chairman asked Ian if he would come back as time goes by to keep us informed of progress he said if he was invited he will.
3. Minutes of the last meeting; were circulated at the meeting and agreed as a true record.
4. Matters Arising; there were no matters arising that were not on the agenda.
5. Treasurers Report Gary Waters told the meeting that we have a balance of £500.00 in the Account and we have been successful in getting a grant of £1,900.00 towards the 40 years festival.

Refreshment Break.

6. 40 year Celebration to be held on Sunday the 2nd of August from 12 midday until 3pm on the 5Acres site nearest to the Channel Isles Estate the Chairman informed the meeting a deposit had been paid to secure a Climbing Wall, (staffed by experts) Sumo Wrestling Suits, and Gladiators equipment for 3 hours we will need several volunteers to help on the day to make it a success. It is suggested we have a Tombola; Cake stall and a stall to sell plants; the Hampshire Air Ambulance will be invited and Hants Fire & Rescue Police Dogs etc, also we are trying to make a 6ftx6ft Quilt with a map of the Estate in the middle to commemorate the Day, any help most welcome.

7. Open Forum/Suggestions; Alan Kebble asked if he could speak, he said he was impressed with the way we conducted the meeting he remarked the committee was doing a good job and the meeting went well, one of the objectives of The Federation of Tenants & Residents was to see how the meetings were run throughout Southampton City and both he and Francis Murphy were pleased with what they had seen. Paul Langler a committee member asked if the Tenants/Residents had access to the Cidtra Website and put their views the committee will meet to decide the way forward on this matter. Jersey Close, the responsibility of cleaning the area still belong at the moment to Swaythling Housing Society and a clean up will be arranged ASAP.

8. A Free Draw took place and 7 lucky winners went away with their prizes.

9 Date of next meeting will be the 26th of March 2009 at Rozel Court 7pm