

CHANNEL ISLES & DISTRICT TENANTS & RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION
Minutes of the Open Meeting of 27 January 2011 at Rozel Court at 7pm.

Attendance: Paul Hennessey (Chair); Paul Langler (Vice Chair); Val Judd (Minutes Secretary); Jane Taylor Cidra; Eileen Cunningham Cidra; Ray Beattie Cidra; Marie Milsom Cidra; Fay Martin Cidra; Neil Anderson (Safe Communities); Helen Humphries (Radian); Michael Farleigh T.P.U; PCSO Lorraine Underwood.

1. Apologies: Councillors Cathy McEwing; Paul Holmes; Peter Marsh-Jenks; Parmjit Thiara and Emma Bailey (Local Housing Office); Louise Corbin (Swaythling); Gary Waters (cidra); Podge Eldridge (cidra); J. Gwilt (resident).

2. Neil Anderson from Safe Communities team gave an interesting talk about setting up a neighbourhood watch scheme in the area and spoke about other work they do, dealing with anti social behaviour, crime reduction blitzing, scams such as bogus water and gas readers etc. He answered questions from concerned residents and agreed to meet with Paul to view the area and see if there is a better way of gaining interest. He gave more details about how to contact police and get Neighbourhood Watch packs.

3. Helen Humphries is a Community Project worker for Radian Housing. She spoke about her work in the Solent area as part of a team of three. They encourage people to get involved and set up diversionary activities to involve children. She was encouraging about our project for a fun day on Five Acres in August and wished to be involved in any planning. She promised to look into the problems in Jersey Close concerning their tenants.

A break took place for refreshments. This is always a very productive time, an opportunity for residents to talk with each other and discuss problems with police and other officials

4. Minutes of the last meeting held on 25 November were read and agreed. No matters arising, all dealt with in the business.

5. Financial report. Gary was unwell and unable to attend however we are in the black with our funds.

6. Father Christmas Event funded by the association with gifts, refreshments and carols on 18th December, at Rozel Court was deemed to be a success with all presents distributed, mince pies and mulled wine consumed. Face painting was very popular, Annette Williams worked very hard, a big thank you to her and Father Christmas who we hope will return next year. Many photos were taken and some were not delivered as we did not get accurate addresses, there is a display on the website.

7. Paul Langler continues to update the website and welcomes comments and input.

8. Fay has arranged a coach trip to Stratford-upon-Avon on Sunday 8th May 9.00-7.45 approx leaving from Sarnia Court, contact Fay on 80737097. She is looking at future possibilities.

9. A resident commented on ball games being played on possibly dangerous parts of the estate, near roads, and despite signs prohibiting, also dog fouling on the grass. Unfortunately these are both difficult problems to deal with enforcing them seems to be more of a need for good neighbourliness. The PCSOs were alerted.

10. Our usual free draw is always eagerly anticipated and the winners excitedly take home their prizes!

11. Chair thanked all for attending. The date of the next meeting will be 24th March 2011.