

MINUTES OF RVPS MEETING
Held on Thursday 3rd January 2013
at Bromley Court Hotel

Those present: Brian Atkinson, Barbara Brown, Clive Lees, Gillian McIntosh, Linda Muller, Beatrice Osborn, Ann Rowswell, Brian Sanders, Val & Bob Skinner, Richard Thomas, Pat & Leslie Tucker, Leslie Watmore, Tony Morton

- 1 **Apologies:** David Page
- 2 **Minutes of last meeting:** The minutes of the November meeting were approved.
- 3 **Finances:** Brian Sanders reported that in the two months to the 31st December 2012 receipts totalled £350.00 for subscriptions. Outgoings totalled £248 comprising £228 for annual insurance and £20 for routine expenses.

Annual accounts: The outturn for the year 2012 showed a surplus of £112 bringing the Society's General Reserve to £9670. Details will be presented at the AGM in March.

4 **Community Projects**

Trees in Warren Avenue Playing Field:

It was noted that two new trees have been provided recently. However it seems that LB Lewisham may no longer be responsible for maintenance of Warren Avenue Playing Fields. Brian is still trying to find out further details.

Valley School:

Nothing to report.

5 **PLANNING ISSUES:**
5a **Bromley (East) Applications:** (Clive Lees)

Queens Gardens: An appeal has been lodged against the refusal of the application for the construction of five new restaurants in Queens Gardens. Details are not yet known.

Italian Villa, Elstree Hill: The appellant has not yet provided all the necessary documents to the planning inspector and, unless he soon does so, the appeal will be timed out.

Billingford: No decision yet. This is presumably because discussions are ongoing.

Highland Road: The owner of a property opposite 14 Highland Road has recently erected a wooden fence on the front boundary above the existing brick retaining wall. Overall the wall plus fence is very high. A planning application has been requested by the council for retrospective permission.

Area between Coniston Road & Bromley Hill: There has been a lot of fly-tipping in this open area, particularly in the vicinity of the Shell garage and Qasar. Our councillors and councillor Smith have been asked to look into this with a view to inhibiting the tipping permanently.

Trees at 10 Crab Hill: Two trees at 10 Crab Hill are alleged to be damaging property at 8 Crab Hill by subsidence and the insurance company wants to fell them. Neither of the owners at 8 or 10 Crab Hill wishes to do this and prefer that a root barrier be installed. The insurance company has submitted an application to the council to have the TPO on the 2 trees removed. We have objected to this and the application will be decided by committee, probably on Thursday 24th January.

Bromley (East) Applications: continued

It was reported that the car park sign on the Travelodge building indicates that it is a public car park. At the planning stage this was identified as parking for hotel residents.

5b Bromley (West) Applications: (Mike Mielniczek)

Nothing to report

5c Lewisham Applications: (Mike Mielniczek)

Nothing to report.

5d Joint Working Party for Beckenham Place Park: (Leslie Tucker)

No progress since our last meeting. Lewisham Council are undertaking another review of the tender process.

6 Transport Issues:

Councillor Dykes advised us that the council have agreed to our suggestion that parking restrictions (yellow line) should be introduced to improve visibility on the inner corner of Oaklands Road opposite the care home.

7 London Borough of Bromley Residents Federation (LBBRF): Nothing to report.

8 Bromley Community Engagement Forum The date of the next meeting has not been notified.

9 Any Other Business;

Suggestions of possible speakers for our AGM and ways of seeking them from other local societies were discussed. The Secretary is to collate them for discussion with the RVPS officers to decide.

10 Next meeting:

The next meeting will be the AGM to be held on

Thursday 7th March 2013, 8p.m. at Bromley Court Hotel