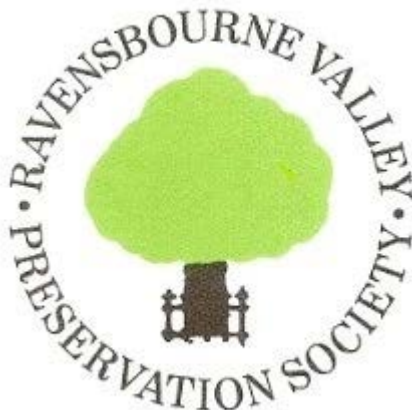


MINUTES OF RVPS MEETING
Held on Thursday 3rd September 2015
at Bromley Court Hotel



Those present:

Jenny Ash	Brian Atkinson	Carol Davidson
Mark Duncan	Maureen Johnson	Clive Lees*
Gillian McIntosh	Euan McMaster	Linda Müller
Beatrice Osborn	David Page	Marilyn Pinson
Mick Pinson	Christine Richard	Martin Ruddick
Ann Shepherd	Andrew Storey	Leslie Tucker
Pat Tucker	Wendy Watmore	Dave Wiltshire
Monica Wiltshire		

* Chair

1 Apologies:

Chris Adcock	Maria Barguirdjian	Cllr Nicola Dykes
David England	Peter Saunders	Richard Thomas
Christine Willden		

2 Minutes of last meeting:

Approved.

3 Finances:

Dave Wiltshire gave the Treasurer's report from 1 April 2015 to 3 September 2015.

Receipts totalled £602.50 comprising members' subscriptions.

Payments totalled £983.05 in expenses and donations.

Santander Current Account: £3,172.36

National Savings Investment Account: £8,013.28

Petty Cash £377.75

Total: £11,185.64

£3000 for the Farnaby Road project not yet paid.

Garden Party including gifts for Officers and Road Reps who could not attend £192. Held at The Shortlands Tavern, around 30 people attended including councillors. Clive to follow up on those recently retired Ann Rowsell, Barbara Price.

4 Community Projects

New trees in Farnaby Road: Monica's planned assessment meeting with Julian Fowgies at Bromley Council on 26 Aug did not happen as Julian was in hospital; it has been rearranged for next week. At the meeting the project will be reviewed, noting things to improve on next time. We plan to pay our contribution of £3000 in March 2016. Plans for 2016: Will reuse learning from this year. Eddie Ozdemir (of Billingham) has joined RVPS and has indicated that he would like to make a donation towards trees for next year.

Where consent to fell is conditional on replacing the felled tree, for example, Kimberley Terrace and 165 Ravensbourne Road, there is a need to check this has been done and to follow up.

Beckenham Lane traders led by the HomeZone estate agent plans to pay for **Christmas Lights** was covered in the latest HomeZone newsletter and our donation was mentioned.

5 PLANNING ISSUES:

a) Bromley Applications:

20 Blyth Road: The application for vehicle access into Bracken Hill Lane was rejected; however the owner is expected to appeal and has 12 weeks to submit this. In the meantime the enforcement order requiring the owner to undo the changes will not be applied.

River Park Gardens: By the footpath from Ravensmead to Warren Ave Playing Fields there is a boarded up shop, owned by Phoenix Housing. The application to demolish it and build 9 flats in 3 storeys has not yet been dealt with by the Council.

74 Madeira Avenue: Application for Demolition of existing bungalow and replacement building comprising 5 x 2 bedroom apartments has been refused. Now at appeal but no details yet.

14 Highland Road: the development has not followed the planning consent e.g. there are more windows, no plants, no privacy screenings. Councillors are chasing. Expecting a new planning application to regularise the situation.

4 Oaklands Road: Application for demolition of existing buildings and erection of a 4 storey detached building comprising 11 flats was refused yesterday. However the reason appears to be about the financing. The principle of a block of flats has been accepted and a revised application could easily be expected to be approved.

Billingford: The new planning application for the demolition of the existing dwelling and construction of two/three storey block comprising 4 x two bedroom and 1 x one bedroom flats has been refused. No appeal yet.

61 The Avenue: New application to build a block of flats has been refused.

Bromley Court Hotel: planning application now in for various changes including a small number of additional rooms. Only possible issue is Sky Lounge overlooking neighbouring property.

b) Lewisham Applications: Coniston and Ambleside – back garden development.

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

No further meeting date set. Leslie has been trying to contact Gavin to no avail. BPP Friends are complaining to Lewisham.

BPP Friends have distributed a questionnaire – survey of park usage and views on the proposals. Some of the statements appear not to be entirely neutral. We don't object to the questionnaire in principle as it could be very valuable if the questions were neutral. Leslie will write to the Friends expressing concern over the wording of some questions.

Clive has spoken to Gavin. They have been busy with various investigations. Consultation exercise expected before the end of September to find out what people want to happen in the park and views on design features.

6 Transport Issues

Valley School: Issue with people parking on the yellow lines outside the zigzag marked areas badly affecting visibility is ongoing.

Following a TfL consultation on bus routes 352 and 354 they will start a half hourly Sunday service from 20th September.

Beckenham Lane had a manhole cover collapse leaving a 2' square and 1' deep hole.

7 Councillors' Update:

No Councillors present. From comments at the Garden Party Clive was able to say that the Councillors view us as being a responsible organisation and we don't make objections without good reason.

8 London Borough of Bromley Residents Federation (LBBRF):

From the minutes of the meeting 16th July noted that the consultation on the Biggin Hill airport extended operating hours is continuing, with a final decision expected in September. Site G plans seem to have switched from retail and commercial focus to residential with a possible 300 housing units and a 200 space car park. Date of Next Meeting: 17th September 2015

9 Any Other Business

The Chalet in Kirkstone Way – the site is very untidy. Clive will contact council

Opposite Shortlands Golf Course in Ravensbourne Avenue regular fly tipping is happening. Wendy to draft a letter for Clive to send to the council about the possibility of getting cameras installed.

Japanese knotweed is present in Warren Avenue on the path adjacent to Millwall Football Ground and in Beckenham Place Park on the bridge over the railway. It was noted that multiple applications of poison are required over several seasons.

10 Next meeting:

Thursday 5th November 2015, 8 p.m. at Bromley Court Hotel