



World's End Residents' Association

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Minutes of the WERA Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 15th of March 2011 at 7pm in the WERA Clubroom, 16 Blantyre Street

Present:	Margaret Grayling (Chair) Kathrin Vowinckel Marye Kenton Nigel Palmer	John Park Paul Miller Barbara Ofori-Boateng
In Attendance:	Sharon Dupree (RBK&C TMO) David Ward (RBK&C TMO)	
Apologies:	Jules Montero (Secretary) Eryl Humphrey Jones John Rendall Joanna McDermott Alasdair Manson (RBK&C TMO) Cllr. Condon-Simmonds Police Sgt. Tim Otway	Robert Taylor (Treasurer) Patricia Fordyce Caroline Fairchild Monica Boholst Amie Dascombe (RBK&C TMO) Cllr. Hargreaves

1. Apologies

The above apologies were accepted.

2. Safer Neighbourhoods

Police Sgt. Tim Otway had been unable to attend and had sent his apologies. TO had provided the following update with regards to an incident that had occurred on the weekend of the 5th of March:

"The incidents you refer to happened on the 6th. There were about four separate incidents: two on Worlds End and two on the Cremorne Estate. It appears a group of youths from Fulham came to the area and attacked young men. It appears the victims were randomly chosen and this all happened around 7 to 7.30pm. Thankfully none of the injuries were serious, and people have been arrested."

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

DW clarified the sixth paragraph on the second page of the previous minutes: DW explained that the TMO's Neighbourhood Management Department were in the process of implementing a new ASB system that would enable them to monitor ASB incidents such as vandalism more easily in the future.

The minutes of the previous meeting were otherwise approved as correct.

4. Matters Arising

The following issues from the minutes of the previous meeting were noted/discussed:

Section 2 (page 2, paragraph 7) – Bikes – DW had provided an update on the 25th of February. SD noted that a number of bikes were parked at the foot of Chelsea Reach Tower. NP queried why the motorcycle parking bay at the end of Blantyre Street was marked out with double yellow lines.

Section 2 (page 2, paragraph 8) – Pigeons – PM queried whether the TMO had paid the resident who was feeding the pigeons a visit. SD stated that a number of residents had been written to with regards the feeding of pigeons.

Actions

Section 4 (item 4 on list) – Asbestos – JW had drafted a new letter and sent it to JM. JM had distributed it to all Committee members for their comment and feedback.

All

Section 4 (item 5 on list) – Lighting – DW explained that the TMO’s responsive targets were: a single light failure was considered “urgent” and would be dealt with within 5 working days; the failure of a complete lighting circuit was considered an “emergency” and would be attended within 24 hours. It was noted that the caretakers reported failed lights to customer services by email.

Section 4 (item 5 on list) – ARB works – MG asked for a progress update on the re-paving works in Blantyre Street. It was noted that the contractors were on-site and the works were proceeding.

Section 5 (page 3, paragraph 5) – Illegal Balcony Structures – SD noted that 1 illegal structure had been taken down. BOB suggested that the TMO should put posters up or write to all residents advising residents not to put up structures in the balconies. DW noted that the Committee had previously offered to help compile a list of the illegal structures on the estate and this was still pending.

All

Section 5 (page 3, paragraph 6) – Window Repair – DW noted that the tenant had queried why the replacement window was a different colour to the original and offered to ask Morrisons why the replacement window was not a matching colour. NP suggested that the TMO should ask Morrisons to replace the “odd” window with a matching window supplied by Velfac.

SD /
DW

Section 5 (page 3, paragraph 7) – Communal Redecoration Works – DW had provided JM with the information requested on the 25th of February.

Section 6 – Door Entry System – DW noted that a number of updates on the issue had been made. It was noted that AM had advised that a trial was expected to commence in April.

Section 6 – Fire Safety – It was noted that Cllr. Condon-Simmonds had stated that she would arrange a meeting with the TMO and the Fire Safety Officer. PM also noted that Cllr. Condon-Simmonds had also offered to bring the issue to the attention of the TMO Board.

Section 8 (page 4, paragraph 3) – World’s End ARB – MG noted that a bollard was to be installed.

5. **Housing Management**

DW explained that as he was not part of the Housing Management team he was unaware of any further updates.

SD gave the meeting the following update: the Barclays hire-bike scheme operators had retrieved the hire-bike that had been found in one of the service cupboards during the recent estate walkabout. It was noted that the incident had not been reported to the Police. MG and PM emphasised the need for such incidents to be reported to the Police in future.

NP stated that he has asked that a meeting to discuss the repairs service be arranged with Morrisons and the relevant TMO staff. The meeting agreed that this should happen as soon as practically possible. DW suggested that Stuart Thomson, Donal Daley, Shasha Jevans and someone from Customer Services should attend (but not Simon Thropp). DW offered to help arrange the meeting.

JM /
DW

6. **Digital TV**

PM had met with Idy Ajakaiye, the new TMO project manager, to discuss a number of issues in relation to the works to install the communal digital TV system on the estate. At the meeting it had been agreed that the cabinets should match the colour of the building and cabling more closely and that any cabinets which had already been installed would either be replaced or painted to match; that all of the cabinets would be installed outside the reach of vandals and padlocked. PM noted that the maintenance contract did include the replacement/repair of the cabinets should they suffer any damage. PM reported that he was generally pleased with the progress of the Digital TV installation works. DW asked that this be noted in the minutes.

It was noted that KV had reported hearing noises from the aerials and dishes that had been placed on the exterior wall of her flat. KV stated that these had now ceased, but that she would notify the Committee if they resumed. PM noted that works to “tidy up” the wiring in the vicinity of the aerials and dishes had taken place following KV’s original report and that these may have resolved the issue.

It was noted that all of the existing Virgin Media cabling would remain in place.

7. **Census 2011**

It was noted that a number of completion centre events to help people fill in their census forms would be held in or around the estate shortly. One event was to be held in the WERA Clubroom (2pm-6pm on the 25th of March).

8. **Meetings Attended**

Liaison Officer's Update

JP had met Victoria Wickins from the Trust. JP noted that she was about to go on maternity leave. JP stated that the Trust had applied for a renewal of the license for the tables and chairs they placed out in front of their offices on World's End Place. JP also stated that the Trust was currently holding "youth sessions" on Thursday evenings. JP noted that he had forwarded a written report to JM but that this had yet to be circulated.

JM

Flashpoint

JP noted that CF, JMc, JM and he had attended a meeting at Flashpoint. He had asked JM to include Flashpoint on the agenda of the next meeting.

JM

Meeting with Robert Black

MG and JM had met with Robert Black, Sasha Jevans and Alasdair Manson at the TMO's offices in Kensington High Street. The TMO had put forward a number of proposals, both in relation to the appointment of a permanent Senior Neighbourhood Officer and the creation of a "neighbourhood charter" for the estate. Further details on these proposals were expected shortly, and JM would forward these on to the Committee as he received them.

JM

9. **Upcoming Meetings**

No upcoming meetings were noted.

10. **Any Other Business**

Council's Decant Policy

JM had circulated copies of the Council's Draft Decant Policy to all Committee members. MG noted that the consultation period had been extended up to the 13th of May and asked Committee members to review, and comment on, the draft policy.

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Planters on World's End Piazza

NP gave the meeting an update on the scheme of the Friends of World's End Place to place planters on the Piazza. NP stated that the planters would be of polished grey granite, would have a 600x600mm square base and be 450 mm tall. NP stated that there would be 8 planters to begin with and that these would be planted with flowers. NP said he would supply a map indicating the proposed locations of the 8 planters. The Friends of World's End Place had been able to finance the purchase of the planters through their fund-raising activities and it was hoped that local businesses would fund the purchase of the plants and compost. Volunteers would water the planters.

NP

11. **Date of Next Meeting**

The next WERA meeting is **tentatively** scheduled to take place on the **19th of April at 7pm in the WERA Clubroom** (third Tuesday of the month). JM would advise everyone accordingly in good time.

The meeting then closed

..... Chair