



# World's End Residents' Association

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## Minutes of the WERA Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> of July 2011 at 7pm in the WERA Clubroom, 16 Blantyre Street

<b>Present:</b>	Margaret Grayling (Chair) Maggie Byrne Caroline Fairchild John Park Nigel Palmer	Jules Montero (Secretary) Marye Kenton Patricia Fordyce Paul Miller Kathrin Vowinckel
<b>Apologies:</b>	John Rendall Joanna McDermott	Eryl Humphrey Jones

	Actions
<p>1. <b>Apologies</b></p> <p>The above apologies were accepted.</p>	
<p>2. <b>Safer Neighbourhoods</b></p> <p>This item was deferred in Sgt. Otway's absence.</p>	
<p>3. <b>Minutes of Previous Meeting</b></p> <p>The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as correct.</p>	
<p>4. <b>Matters Arising</b></p> <p>The contents of the written report were noted, with the following observations in relation to items from the meeting of the 15<sup>th</sup> of March:</p> <p><i>Item 4.1</i> – PM said he would review all the correspondence he had with regards to the presence of asbestos in the Artex. PM</p> <p><i>Item 4.2</i> – PM and MG would carry out a walkabout in which they would identify and document the “illegal structures” on the estate. MG / PM</p> <p><i>Item 4.3</i> – Confirmation that the window had been correctly replaced had yet to be received. TMO</p> <p><i>Item 10.2</i> – NP listed the proposal locations for planters as follows: 1 outside the newsagent, 1 outside the dentist, 1 under the church staircase, 3 against the boundary wall of World's End Nursery. NP also noted that the chemist intended to place his own planter at the entrance to Omega Passage.</p>	
<p>5. <b>Fire Safety Update</b></p> <p>PM gave the meeting a verbal update on the outcome of a meeting he had held with Cllr. Hargreaves to discuss this issue. PM noted that Cllr. Hargreaves had agreed to request copies of the estate's fire safety certificates. PM would update the Committee once he had heard back from Cllr. Hargreaves. PM</p>	
<p>6. <b>Anti-Social Behaviour</b></p> <p>Committee members noted the following incidents on anti-social behaviour in or around the estate:</p>	

### *“Roaming” groups in the estate’s communal areas*

Committee members reported numerous groups of youths / young adults congregating in, and travelling around, communal areas of the estate.

The groups were reported to concentrate on many of the estate’s walkways, notably Dartrey and Middle Dartrey Walk (outside the estate’s sheltered housing scheme) and Berenger Walk, as well as in the estate’s communal gardens, particularly those on the first floor, and the stairwells in Dartrey Tower, Berenger Tower, and Ashburnham Tower.

The groups were composed of both boys/men and girls/women.

The groups consumed large amounts of alcohol and then became anti-social, noisy and intimidating.

The groups had been seen reselling alcoholic beverages to those “attending”.

It was noted that the behaviour these groups had been highlighted at the Police (Ward) Panel meeting which had taken place on the 30<sup>th</sup> of June. Those who had attended the meeting reported that there was no obvious sign of any subsequent action to deal with the problem as the groups continued to congregate on a nightly basis.

One Committee noted that visitors had asked to be escorted onto the estate as a result of the presence of these groups.

It was noted that groups had congregated on the walkways. A message was left on the Safer Neighbourhood Team’s voicemail in relation to the behaviour of the groups whilst the meeting was taking place.

### *Children from Chelsea Academy*

Committee members reported the presence of large groups of teenagers travelling to/from the Chelsea Academy on the Piazza.

The groups formed both in the morning and in the afternoon. In the afternoon the groups formed after the teenagers had been escorted from the school up to the Piazza by PCSOs. No attempt appeared to be made to subsequently encourage them to vacate the Piazza by public transport.

It was noted that some of the teenagers had bicycles and were cycling around the Piazza in a dangerous manner.

One Committee member noted a serious incident in Burnaby Street involving school children from the Academy where knives had been seen.

It was suggested that the Chelsea Academy be contacted with regards to these issues.

### *Anti-social behaviour in Cremorne gardens*

Committee members described incidents where groups were consuming and reselling alcohol within the park. Some felt that the park was in danger of becoming a “no go” area as a result as the groups which were often anti-social, noisy and intimidating.

### *Other*

It was noted that people were consuming substantial amounts of alcohol in public in the Piazza.

It was noted that the bin area next to the Police office on the Piazza was being used as a toilet.

It was noted that children were climbing onto the roof of the Chelsea Theatre.

## **7. RA Events**

MG proposed organising one or more day trips for residents using some of the RA’s funds. The Committee members present agreed to the proposal. MK, MBy, and PF offered to assist on the trips. A number of suggestions for possible destinations were made, including whether it might be possible to organise a trip on a river boat. MG and JM said they would progress the proposals.

MG / JM

8. **RA Update**

JM gave the meeting a verbal update.

9. **Meetings Attended**

*Police (Ward) Panel Meeting*

A number of Committee members had attended the Police (Ward) Panel meeting held on the evening of the 28<sup>th</sup> of June (see above). It was noted that the next meeting was to take place on the evening of the 2<sup>nd</sup> of August.

*Residents' Panel*

MG had attended a meeting of the Residents Panel held at the TMO's offices on the 30<sup>th</sup> of June. MG described some of the matters that had been discussed: the Residents' Handbook, the parking review, the TMO's service standards, the Residents' Roadshow (due to take place on the afternoon of the 19<sup>th</sup> of July) and the TMO AGM (scheduled to take place on the afternoon of Saturday, 17<sup>th</sup> of September).

*TMO2YOU*

MG had attended a meeting of TMO2YOU in the Sheltered Clubroom.

*Liaison Officer's update*

JP provided an update on his activity as WERA liaison officer. JP was in the process of organising meetings with the Over50s, the Guinness Trust and the William Wilberforce Trust.

10. **Upcoming Meetings**

The following upcoming meetings were noted:

- The Thames Water meeting being held in Chelsea Academy on the evening of the 7<sup>th</sup> of July.
- The Tenants Consultative Committee meeting scheduled to take place at the Town Hall on the evening of the 12<sup>th</sup> of July.

11. **Any Other Business**

JM noted that he had received a copy of a letter from Greg Hands MP in relation to the Thames Tideway Tunnel from JMc. JM read extracts from the letter out to the meeting.

JM had paid the BT bill, for £75.15. MG had paid for office and clubroom consumables, for £20.85. Cheques were completed to reimburse both.

12. **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting is that with TMO staff scheduled to take place on the evening of the 19<sup>th</sup> of July.

The meeting then closed

..... Chair