# CORNER GREEN RESIDENTS SOCIETY LIMITED

## MINUTES OF DIRECTOR' MEETING - 19. JUNE 2000

Present - Phillip Astell, John Harland (Chair), Biddy Macfarlane (Treasurer), Dan Radcliffe (Secretary), Arum Sivanayagam, Nadine White

- 1. Matters Arising from Minutes of AGM & Directors meeting 18 May 2000
- a) Biddy still to take over accounts but asking that **residents ensure that** maintenance contributions had been increased to £58 p.m. for monthly payers from end of May 2000 and to £174 p.q. for quarterly payers from June 24
- b) Replanting plan yet to be produced by Gardening committee
- c) New light fitment for outside 21 & 22 on order by Dick Hewson Exact site to be identified by the Hewsons, likely on the edge of the central green, thereby avoiding digging up path. Pavier Jeff lined up to install. May be possible to switch new light bollard head to less conspicuous site. Jeff will cover over other exposed cabling when he does this work. Biddy to coordinate.
- d) There is an aluminium ladder for use of all Corner Green residents stored in garage of John Harland (house No 9)

# 2. Hole in the Road

All aware of a depression developing on T junction of entry road to Corner Green and road down past top garages. Dan reported alleged recent inspection by Thames Water official who concluded not Thames Water responsibility; this even though, after our roads had been repaired by Beach in March 1997, a hole in that area which had subsequently developed was repaired by Thames Water. That work in 1997 had been instigated by Biddy who agreed to track down relevant dates and enter into dialogue with both the Council (who had inspected and certified our road repairs in 1997) and Thames Water.

### 3. Successor to Dave Chandler

Dismay was voiced that Dave and his gardening crew are retiring in August. (Dan to check exact date). Need to organise material expression of our gratitude for their stirling service. Also urgent need to locate successor. Most of Cator Estate uses "Seasons". All residents asked urgently to give suggestions of gardening firms to the directors. Nadine is to investigate firms. Want a dedicated team (safe around our children and our houses). Need to draw up a specification for the job - Dan to approach gardening committee to see if they can do this (in consultation with Dave) to bring to a meeting between the Directors and the Gardening Committee on July 10; thereafter to put out to tender. Quotes to be received by Directors meeting on July 31 when decision to be made. Selected firm then on probationary period and thereafter rolling contract. Biddy agrees to contact Roy Preston of the Keep to check their current costs under Dave and quote from "Seasons" (albeit that their needs differ greatly from ours)

### 4. 59 Blackheath Park

Lorries continue to use our private road and its verges to off-load, by crane, construction materials to back garden of 59 Blackheath Park, despite Biddy's letter to them of 23.5.00 requesting that they desist. Police advise that they would only act if clear criminal damage caused. The directors feel we have to take some action. However an injunction would be too vastly expensive. Were residents to park on that verge to block the lorries, this would itself cause damage to the grass, set a bad precedent, and likely cause obstruction. Agreed Biddy will contact our solicitor to get a formal letter sent to the owners of No 59, the Stokes. All residents who observe further unloading asked to note registration number of lorries and name of firms making the delivery and pass them to Biddy.

# 5. Tri-annual repainting

This anticipated to be undertaken between June and August 2001. New Health & Safety regulations will increase costs.

Suggested that we might employ a surveyor to draft the specification (using that for the last painting), draw up a tender list, evaluate tenders, possibly organise a clerk of works. Nadine will investigate various firms to see the viability off this. (Biddy will locate and pass to Nadine the previous specification). Wood must be repaired in advance of the painting - not need specialist services of surveyor for this task but who will do this? Must draw up project plan for the painting at next director's meeting.

# 6. Play area matting

John circulated new quote from "Playground Services" for matting with EN certification - both attenuating impact and lowering erosion. Cost of £2,695.50 + VAT comes within figure for which budgetted. Firm can meet our construction demands. Agreed John go ahead and order, also checking wording of the EN standard.

### 7. Any Other Business

- a) In view of dog poo being found around the Green, John reminded residents that no dogs are allowed out on the Green; if visiting they can only exit houses from the rear
- b) Dan wondered if it would assist residents if a register of useful trades-people could be drawn up as a rough guide to those seeking services. Agreed Dan send questionnaire around about this.
- c) Reminder Corner Green Party August 5th

# 8. Date of next Directors meeting

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> July, 8.30 pm at No 9 but meeeting about successor to Dave for Monday July 10<sup>th</sup>

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