# **Corner Green Residents Society – EGM**

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April 7.30 pm 2022 at 21 Corner Green

Present at the meeting	Holding Proxies for
Rosie Hewson (Number 21 – Chair + Director)	Numbers 7, 8, 15, 18,
RH	
Dick Hewson (Number 21) DH	
Mac Cochrane (Number 10) MC	
Gill Cochrane (Number 10) GC	Number 11
Nik Thuesen (Number 2 – Treasurer & Director)	
NT	
Tristan West (Number 14 - Director) TW	
Fiona Colbeck (Number 5) FC	
Jane Shakespeare (Number 12) JS	Number 19

### Windows Resolution 2 (Discussed first)

"That all future replacement windows on Nos 1-23 Corner Green must continue to be: Timber framed

Of the same size and frame as the original window with the same glass size Woodwork painted the same colours as the other houses"

Proposed: Jane Shakespeare Seconded: Nik Thuesen

All were in favour of this motion.

#### Windows Resolution 1

"That future replacement opening windows on Nos 1-23 Corner Green could be top-hinged if replacement of the original central (swivel) hinges is no longer feasible."

Juliet Cairns (No 11 in emailed notes) proposed that "feasible" be changed to "against building regulations". Nik explained that the directors had been unable to find anything in the building regulations that prohibited an external, centrally hinged windows. No seconder could be found for this amendment.

NT, MC and FC all pointed out that, although it is not against building regulations, it is difficult to find a joiner who will fit external, centrally hinged windows of this type. The only local joiner who will fit them is Jason, he has quoted £32k to Mac and Fiona for installing centrally hinged windows, versus £21k for top hinges.

It was noted that other Span estates e.g. the Plantation are all top hinged.

Via email David Howes (No 7) said that a shame to change after 70 years of uniformity. And that this could be a slippery slope. JS countered that issues can be considered on a case by case basis to ensure this does not become a slippery slope.

Proposed: Dick Hewson Seconded: Mac Cochrane

All present in favour.

Proxies: Kate Sabapathy (no 19) and Juliet Cairns (no 11) in favour, Mark Helm (no 8) and David Howes (no 7) against, Nadine White (no 15) abstained.

Motion passes by 8 votes to 2.

### Approval of Tree Surgery Work totalling £8,611:

"The Gardening Committee has obtained a report and quote from Alan Brignall for essential tree work, the details of which were attached to the Notice of this Meeting. The cost and extent of the tree surgery require the members' approval."

RH found the quotes difficult to understand. Particularly as there wasn't a clear map attached, and because neither Alan Brignall, Claude Perera or the members of the Gardening Subcommittee were able to attend the meeting. This had general agreement.

GC talked through email Juliet Cairns sent in advance of the meeting:

- Juliet had queried a mention of a rejected planning permission on Corner Green in a Blackheath Society communication. This was for 62 Corner Green, so unrelated to CGRS.
- Juliet asked about 2 trees that we had previously been given permission to fell, but haven't. Sadly the gardening committee were not in the meeting to answer this question.

NT explained that Alan Brignall was previously chosen from 2 quotes. He lives on Morden Road, has previously done good work for CGRS and is liked by Claude.

FC mentioned that a tree in front of number 5 is blocking out light, but isn't on the list. She will refer to the gardening committee

GC pointed out that any work will now need to wait until Autumn or Winter.

DH proposed the following motion:

"Delegate decision on anything that needs urgent attention to the directors and carry forward original motion to future meeting".

Proposed: Dick Hewson Seconded: Mac Cochrane

All present were in favour of this motion.

Directors will liaise with gardening committee to understand what needs doing urgently and what can wait. It was felt that ideally Alan would be able to attend the meeting where this is discussed.

## **Any Other Business**

DH stated that next round of painting would normally be due to start in April 2023. Due to the pandemic the last round of painting was split between 2020 and 2021. He asked those present to consider if they could wait until 2024, or would prefer to go ahead with 2023. As this was not circulated in advance, no decision was taken or voted on.

Dick also noted that since John Tew has retired, a new carpenter will be needed. The Lane have been using Greenwich Woodwork.

Rosie Hewson

Director, Corner Green Residents Society Limited and Chair of the meeting