

Colliers Wood Residents Association Meeting

Date: 2 nd May 2017	Location: St Josephs Hall
Time: 7.30pm	
Chair: Tom Searle	Minutes: Kevin Godding

Apologies		
Donna Rutherford	Nick Draper	Caroline Cooper-Marbiah
Helen McAuley		

No	Statement /Action	Who
1.	The Chair apologized for the lack of printed minutes and agendas. The action to agree minutes was therefore carried over to the July meeting	KG
2.	<u>Future Merton's plans for Colliers Wood</u> Nick Draper to ask the Head of Future Merton, Paul McGarry, to attend July meeting to give update on Connecting Colliers Wood and the Councils vision for the area.	ND
3.	<u>Harris Academy</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The meeting was advised that a group of local parents has successfully campaigned to get Colliers Wood to be in the catchment area for the new Harris Academy in High Path. • The RA will write to congratulate them and ensure they are aware of our key priorities. 	KG
4.	<u>New Health Centre update</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New plans are currently being drafted for the Merton Vision site. • Money has been approved to fund the Centre subject to meeting criteria. • Merton Vision has not yet signed contracts. • The meeting agreed that the Developer and Merton Vision should be invited to next meeting to update the RA 	KG
5.	<u>Open Spaces Sub Committee.</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Chair of the Open Spaces reported on their April meeting. Minutes of this are available on the CWRA website. • It was agreed that, because of the election, the next meeting is on 13th June. Update Website. • The Committee is proposing a walk around our open spaces before their next meeting. • The meeting asked that Merton Council update the RA on its policy to charge for parking in Parks as some builders are using these spaces 	KG LA ND
6.	<u>Colliers Wood Street Party Sunday 18th June 12-5pm Park Road.</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update given by organizer Penny Bettell. Everyone is welcome and guaranteed to be a fantastic day! • Volunteers needed to help set up. Meeting outside St Joseph's Hall from 9am on the day. • Any money made from raffle will be donated to local food bank and bowel cancer charity 	

7.	<p><u>Singlegate Catchment area</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The RA are concerned that children living in homes close to the boundary with Wandsworth are not able to attend their local primary school because Wandsworth have imposed catchment areas on their schools. With the intensification of the area this problem will increase over the next few years. We have been working with our Councillors and Merton's education department to explore the option of a catchment area for Singlegate School, which is close to the border, as a way of insuring all primary school aged children in the area have the option to walk to school. We are still waiting for Tom Proctor from Merton Councils Education Dpt to provide requested information. Caroline to chase. A consultation has been proposed and it was unanimously agreed that the RA should approve this. LA to confirm the RA's view with Councilor Caroline Cooper-Marbiah (CCM) Ensure that the group working on the Harris Academy consultation are aware of what we are doing and why. 	CCM LA KG
8.	<p><u>HYPHER – Lottery Funded project. Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting was advised that the project team had met for the 1st time. The growing element of the project starts on Saturday 15th May 10AM-1PM at Phipps Bridge allotments. All welcome. 	
9.	<p><u>Planning Update.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thames Water site has been sold with planning permission. Metro Bank has applied for a 2 story building on the CPW site. No new news on which retailers will occupy the 3 units under the Tower. A small housing development is planned close to the railway bridge. 	
10.	<p><u>Any Other Business</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The issue over late night noise from the Istanbul Restaurant affecting those living on Wandle Bank appears to have eased thanks to the support from CCM. It was agreed that this should be monitored over the summer months. There was concern about the amount of litter being dropped. The Fly tipping at Victoria Road had not been removed. LA to chase. A number of controlled parking consultations are taking place. The RA asked to be kept updated on these. Street plants will be replanted in Park Road and surrounding streets over the next few weeks. Penny Bettell asked that the community help keeping these watered 	LA LA

Date of next meeting 4th July, 7.30pm at St Joseph's hall.