

# SGRA Meeting 5th April 2006

## Held at The Victory public house

**Apologies:** Jo, Gordon, Sonia Bradley, Pat McDonald

**Present:** Sheila Park, Irene Matheson, Colin, Jerry, Dave Roberts

In order for the Constitution of the SGRA to be satisfied then it was decided to invite Irene and Sheila to join the committee, that way decisions could be made.

**Minutes:** As the minutes were not available JR will sign off at the next meeting.

**Updates:** Nothing to report

### **Meetings Attended:**

A public meeting was held at Gosforth Library on 23rd March to discuss Persimmon Homes Traffic Plan; the SGRA was praised for their approach in suggestions concerning traffic approach and other items. We did think that there would have been a representative from PH to answer any queries. The mine shafts in Ridgewood Gardens which are causing concern will be investigated further. Also PH offer to make the back of Ridgewood Garden flats into parking spaces, it was pointed out from a resident that this would make the area into a skateboarders paradise (Not preferable)

### **Funding:**

The cheque for £300 from the council has been received, web site funding – still sitting at £6.60.

### **William Street flats:**

There have been several issues with the flats and surrounding areas that have been raised.

- The drains are blocked on William Street, also it was mentioned that Ridgewood Gardens are still blocked as well.
- Area between the flats and the Milldene Home is very dark; a light is in the pipeline.
- Dropped kerbs are to be built at access points to the green.
- The old planters have been taken away from the flats and are to be replaced with new ones.
- A storage area in one of the flats has raised concern as this is felt to be a fire hazard. JR has notified YHN.

### **Healthlands Fence:**

As soon as quotes are received for the above then the fence will be replaced as this is an eyesore.

### **Skips Chippies and Wheelies**

There have been concerns about the skips out side Aubrey Cornfoot, DR had made queries, extracted from the reply to JR, and DR read these points out.

Aubrey Cornfoot Ltd has assured me that they have the Club's consent to park their skips on private land.

Aubrey Cornfoot Ltd is a building company which is registered with the Environment Agency as a waste carrier under the Control of Pollution (Amendment) Act 1989. Its registration is due for renewal in April 2007. They have obtained this registration so that they can bring waste back to their site and to the skips, rather than leaving the waste for the customer to deal with, or the Council to collect as a 'bulky' collection, as many builders do.

There have been reports of litter outside South Gosforth Fisheries, it was discussed that a poster be displayed and advice given that any litter dropped within 100 meters either side has to be cleared.

Healthlands Fitness Centre - The wheelie bins are contracted to them and are not for use by domestic residents, the Trade Waste Officer for Neighbourhood Services has discussed the possibility of providing them with a lockable bin and changing their collection point.

South Gosforth Social Club - Skips will be kept an eye on.

**AOB:**

We received a request from a resident concerning a post box out her house on Percy Terrace, it was stated that this box could be moved only on the proviso that it was less than 1.2 meters from the edge of the kerb. DR will measure this and advise of the findings.

Chewing gum outside the chippy can be removed.

Pavements outside Dominoes are being seen to; the paper shop was mentioned as well.

Planting outside the Social club, it was decided that this should go on the wish list.

Small area outside the Milldene, this is a magnet for litter in the area, it was discussed that the area be paved or tarmac laid.