

SGRA Meeting Minutes - Wednesday 7th June 2006

Held at the Victory Public House

Present: Jerry Ruddick, Dave Roberts, Gordon Robinson, Colin Walmsley

Apologies: Jo Adamczyk, Ayesha Brown, Abigail McDonald (High West Jesmond Residents Association)

Minutes of Previous Meeting - Minutes of meeting held on 03/05/06 was agreed.

Updates

- A) DR reported that the gullies on William Street have been sorted.
- B) The storage area in one of the flats on William Street has been cleared
- C) The fence at the front of Tenerife buildings is still to be done; DR reported that funds need to be allocated from the council for this (2 steps forward and one to the side)!

Meetings Attended

JR attended the Ward Committee meeting held on the 9th of May

Persimmon Homes was discussed; DR advised the meeting that a company from Washington has been instructed to take boreholes in relation to the coal shaft sites on Ridgewood Gardens. The engineers report and costing will be sent to Persimmon Homes when completed.

Stuart Bruce our local Community policeman was warmly welcomed back.

There was a report of an assault at Salter's Road car park, the security cameras in the area-recorded details of the incident, which has helped the Police to identify the assailants.

Dave Roberts was praised by a member at the meeting for the sterling work that the Neighbourhood Rapid Response Team does for the area, all echoed a round of applause.

JR attended the High West Jesmond Residents Association to which he was invited this was on the 26th of May at St Nicholas Church Hall.

Funding

An increase of £00.25 so our new total is £7.04

Attempted breakins (these are excerpts of e-mails)

Ridgewood Gardens Flats

Just read your Email so I am sorry that I am late in responding but I had the Police to my house on Thursday as someone between 9.30am and 10.45am had tried to get into my front door causing damage to the wood frame. The Police logged the complaint. *[name withheld]* who lives upstairs told me that they had their locks changed three weeks ago as someone had

tried to get in.
I think that someone obviously is targeting this area.

Bowsden area

I know I'm not an involved resident but probably also worth pointing out that a neighbour in Bowsden heard someone 'tinkering' with their front ground floor window at about 2130hrs one evening last week. Can confirm that definite signs that someone has had a go.

Will keep my eyes open, as I'm sure everyone else will, for the youth described.

Ridgewood Gardens

Thought I better let you know about an incident last night in *[name withheld]* back garden. Just after 9pm I observed a teenage lad jump their fence and prowl around their garden and just as he went up to look in windows at the rear of the property I opened window and asked what he was doing. He replied by saying that he had kicked his football in the garden and was looking for it. By this time called for husband who alerted *[name withheld]* and gave chase but he had scarpered.

I have seen him before in the area and noticed that he was always looking into our properties.

As I said before he was about 18 with dark brown hair fairly long down to just below his ears - curtains style. Very slim and pale with pointy features. About 5 foot 8 although hard to tell, as I was upstairs.

Email from Inspector Graham Ward

I had already seen this incident on the computer, as had Stu and the other officers covering the area. I will however pass the e-mail on to them, as the description on here is better than that recorded on the incident!

Regards,
Graham

Milldene Land

JR suggested after receiving an email from Pat McDonald that the owner of Tenerife Buildings be contacted direct with digital photos so that he can see what it looks like; DR suggested that perhaps we could write to the local businesses in the area for opinion also. (AP)

Telephone Masts Objections

JR reported that there had been 2 objections on the go at the same time, this was complicated. The SGRA provided support for the High West Jesmond Residents Association objection at the Little Moor. We received a letter from the council advising that this application has been refused.

In turn the High West Jesmond Residents Association provided us with their support for the Haddricks Mill Road mast at Jewsons. A letter was issued stating our objections to the planning department in Bristol.

Also an email petition in support of the above objection received 24 replies, (thanks from Jerry for the support)

This will take up to 3 to 4 months for the appeal to be heard.

Moving meeting dates

JR reported that he was aware that people could not attend the meetings as they were held on a Wednesday, it was suggested by all that if there was no objection then we move this to the 1st Monday of the month. This will not conflict with the Ward Committee meetings, which are held on the 2nd Monday of the month.

AOB

JR asked DR when the planters are to be arriving, this will be soon.

A planting scene for the circle of grass outside the Milldene Home is to be done.

It was requested that the perimeter of the green be trimmed.

Date of next Meeting

As JR is on holiday the 1st week of July, the Ward Committee meeting is on the 10th then it is suggested that it is the next SGRA meeting will be Monday 17th of July.

(AP) The web site will need to be updated to reflect this.