

STAR Annual General Meeting Minutes - 25.11.25 @ 6.30pm

Welcome, Introductions & Apologies

- Jill Rainford introduces committee members
- Apologies given for Julie Porter and Inspector Buckland

Ratification of previous AGM minutes

- AGM minutes are approved from the last AGM

Change in Committee

- Tim Porter summarises the revitalisation of the committee over the past 12 months
- Thanks are given to Suzanne for her contribution to STAR
- Marie Paiser is introduced as an incoming committee member taking on the Secretary Role.

Safer Neighborhood Police Team Introduction

- Sally Chacatte (co-chair of SNPT) introduces the panel and explains the purpose as prevention rather than reaction, informing and educating the community
- Thanks Peter Lomas for his role as community liaison
- Introduces Met Engage as a new communication method with the Met Police and encourages attendees to sign up
- Explains 3 promises that Southfield Ward are committed to this quarter
 1. Police to implement a problem-orientated policing approach to reduce violence and anti-social behaviour in parks and open spaces through targeted patrols during high risk times and locations
 2. Targeting of people using e-bikes and motorbikes on pavements
 3. To get out and meet the community.
- SC encourages anyone interested in joining the Safer Neighborhood Panel to contact her.
- *A Resident asks if the police can engage with Deliveroo who are a big contributor to the problem*
 - SC assures that the police are aware and encourage the drivers to spread the word.
- *Resident has emailed the SNP but received a reference number and nothing further*
 - SC advises complaints go through STAR for more gravitas whilst crimes should always be reported

W4 Youth Charity Presentation

- Sally explains she started W4 Youth 17 years ago inspired by creating a safe place for young people after her son was a victim of violent crime.
- W4Y offers football, boxing, fitness and basketball in the park and musical theatre and street dance in the church hall of St Peters all for free to children from all over the area.
- W4Y also trains young people to become coaches, giving them employment opportunities.

- SC thanks STAR for their donation and assures the meeting that all funds raised go directly to young people in the area
- *Resident asks about SC's involvement in the transformation of the basketball courts and raises concerns about the future cost of use, availability and lighting and cites lack of response from council.*
 - SC informs it is an Ealing Council project together with Brentford Football Club and the Football Foundation. SC will be managing it on their behalf
 - SC assures meeting the courts will be FOC between 3pm and 7pm. Outside of these times there will be a low cost for community use.
 - SC understands lighting is low and focused so as not to be intrusive to wildlife or residents
 - SC offers to talk to Julia Robertson, the leisure manager and her contact at the council and revert back
- *Resident asks if permanent buildings are being placed in the park*
 - SC has been trying to do this since 2011 but it is a long way off. Their aim is to have permanent buildings in place for community use but they need planning and funding. SC offers to share plans for the buildings with anyone that visits in the evenings when she is there

Treasurers Report: Summary of 2024 Accounts

- Gabryel talks through various balances and explains reduction in costs e.g. lower website running costs
- Invites questions

Chairpersons Report: Year in Review

- JR references the increased bank balance without charging fees even with donations to community projects
- Brought back the Trivia Night, Summer Party and AGM
- Talks through elements of the original STAR proposal (organisational change, engagement, events and accountability)
- Organisational Change
 - Highlights reduced meetings and therefore costs associated
- Community Engagement
 - JR thanks the community for their enthusiastic engagement
 - JR reminds meeting of the designated Road Reps and their role and requests a volunteer for St Georges Road [*David from St Georges later volunteers to take on this role*]
 - Jill gives special thanks to TP for all his behind the scenes work on the IT and marketing side and highlights his contribution to community communications.
- Events
 - All events are now self-funding
 - Highlights ad hoc street parties and the success of the swap shop
 - Confirms Saturday 7th March as the next Quiz Night
 - Agreed flat fee for use of the Scout Hut

- Accountability
 - Achieved intended targets
 - Increased reserves after insurance, website etc all funded
 - JR asks the the community continue to engage via email or WhatsApp

AOB

- JR gives thanks to 4th Acton Scout Group and in particular Hayley Bright for her support.
- Thanks also given to the local councilors Gary Malcolm, Andrew Steed and Gary Busutill for their support and reiterates that complaints through STAR can have more impact than individual complaints
- M&S to reopen on 9th December
- Ted (Hatfield Road) informs the attendees that he has been liaising with Oxenwood Asset Management regarding their planning application
 - Updates on current plans for 12 lower units
 - Stresses the importance of getting ideas and issues resolved at the planning stage.
 - Highlights noise and tree maintenance.
 - Predicts March commencement of demolition and construction to last 12 - 15 months restricted to between 8am and 6pm Monday to Friday and 8am and 1pm Saturdays.
 - Encourages community to raise issues in the dedicated Oxenwood WhatsApp group for him to take to his contact
 - 8 and 6 Monday to Friday. And 8-1 on Saturday. Diff between 106 and planning. Ted explains its elements that are relevant to the planning but not in the application 'conditions of operation' operating hours, noise, consultation. Better to be in the planning.
- Greenend Road Resident shares advice for getting rid of mice - put cloves around the room and in the corners and they've all gone!

JR adjourns meeting