



The Counties Residents' Association

Protecting the interests of the community

Minutes of Meeting 17th April 2007

Those Present:-

Helen Zammett	Chairman CRA	HZ
Kate West	Secretary CRA	KW
Malcolm Dowers	Membership/Webmaster CRA	MD
Naomi Passman		NP
Ron Berger		RB
Janet Berger		JB
Apologies		
Philip Carnelley	Treasurer CRA	

The Chairman welcomed offers of help from Janet Berger, Naomi Passman and Ron Berger. MD and KW echoed her thanks.

- 1. Approval of Previous Minutes** – Approved. NP asked whether the LDP was in place yet. MD confirmed that the UDP is still the prevailing planning framework, NP noted that as the LDP approval progresses it will carry more weight.
- 2. 22a Gloucester Road**
Following local committee approval and regional inspectorate denial of two recent applications, HZ has written to Redbridge planning department asking for them to justify this disparity.
- 3. 14 Nutter Lane.**
The new owner started building a loft conversion without planning approval. The enforcement officer checked the building. The application went to the area committee where it was granted based on assumptions rather than detailed plans. MD commented that he was permitted to speak but not to ask supplemental questions.
- 4. Section 106**
CRA has requested information from Redbridge as to what Section 106 monies have been received by them in the last 2 years in Wanstead. ACTION. NP to check UDP for Redbridge policies on this.
- 5. Conservation**
A presentation regarding [conservation status] was prepared by CRA was presented at the [Redbridge Area 1 Committee] met with very positive responses. The committee confirmed that the report would be forwarded to Mr Hetherington. ACTION KW to contact Peter Lawrence and Mr Hetherington regarding the next step. HZ? To contact Cllr Burgess
- 6. Higgins Development**
HZ has written to the Planning Inspector who granted the original appeal.
- 7. Wanstead Society**
CRA has been invited to speak at the May Wanstead Society meeting. HZ will speak on behalf of CRA.
- 8. 47 Leicester Road**
Appeal was refused. HZ noted that the letter referred to “significant recreational and open space within easy walk of the site” but as Nutter Field is not public space we should ensure future objection letters note this.



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9. **Chepstow.** CRA objection letter to be prepared and circulated (MD). MD had prepared an analysis of the amenity ratios for the meeting. One of the key objections to previous applications has been the amenity ratios but as the Chepstow plans comply with the UDP in this regard it will not be a factor we can raise in objections.
KW mentioned receiving a call from the Ilford recorder concerning a CAP meeting to be held on 19th April relating to local listing of 3 Redbridge sites including Chepstow. The planning department is not recommending Chepstow for local listing.
10. **Nutter Lane Cottages.** Jenny [Jenkins] a resident of one of the cottages has offered to look into listing the cottages and would welcome help.
11. **Tree Preservation Orders.** JB and RB took on the responsibility of forming a report to present to Peter Studholme (Redbridge Tree Preservation Officer) for additional trees on our patch to be protected. We knew of the 16 protected trees in Chepstow (one now dead) and think the Nutter Lane Fir Tree (opposite Applegarth) is listed but are proposing the Oak in the garden of 2 Hereford, the Copper Beech on the corner of 17 Leicester, the Monkey Puzzle in the front garden of 13 Leicester and 2 unspecified trees on the pavement of Preston Drive are also protected. Survey of the area to be conducted for other likely candidates although (other than the Oak mentioned above) not generally suggesting trees in rear gardens are included
12. **Membership.** MD presented a new membership form and membership card and the committee approved them for the forthcoming membership renewal season.
13. **Newsletter-** summary of planning actions and a request for annual subscription payments. Please forward any other points to Malcolm
14. **Next CRA Meeting.** 5th June at 8.30pm at 9 Gloucester Road
15. **AGM.** 4th July was suggested. HZ to check availability of the Cricket Club.