

Haringey Leaseholders' Association Committee Meeting

Meeting held on Tuesday 7th May 2019 at Commerce Rd Community Centre, N22

In attendance

Committee:

Sue Brown, Chair (SB)
Margaret Clapson, Treasurer (MC)
Derek Martin, Committee Member (DM)

Nick Martin-Clark, Secretary (NMC)
Barbara Fenning, Committee Member (BF)
Michael Hardy, Committee Member (MH)

The meeting was opened at 7:25pm

Welcome and Introductions

SB welcomed everyone & introduced DM to BG & MH.

DM said he and SB had devised HLA logo. BF introduced herself, has lived on BWF for 35 years and done door-knocking for HLA in the past. MH works in property, mostly commercial.

BF said her door was due to be replaced at a cost of £2,300; MH said HfH have to get a second quote. MH will help BF. MH was questioning his own door costs, was knowledgeable about the issues; under the lease the frame belonged to the leaseholder; SB asked MH to write a briefing note for the HLA; MH asked to be sent a reminder.

Apologies

Lloyd Grandson, Michael Blasebalk, Kevin Mann, Anthony Fordaris

Adoption of committee members

DM and BF were elected onto the committee unanimously.

Minutes of 28.2.19

Agreed for accuracy

Matters arising not elsewhere on agenda

DM checked that Yvonne Denny had left the RSP. SB confirmed this. Anne Gibson was now Chair. NMC suggested contacting her for a meeting.

Treasurer's report

MC had received a request from the bank to confirm business details as part of anti-fraud and money-laundering measures. MC passed this to NMC to deal with. Deadline was 12th June. Balance as of 2nd April was £5,187.45. May statement not yet available. There were two strange

deposits, one of £279 and one of £460 from the McGarvey family. MC had written to them but not had a response. She had written to the address given on the bank statement of 109 Warwick Gardens. The letter was sent on 8th March. MH asked if address could be checked with the bank. NMC said it could also be checked on HLA d/b. DM & MC volunteered to go to the property.

£31.60 was owed to NMC for the phone line renewal and MC had paid £183 for the PO Box. MC said the bank had said she was not 'on the mandate' even though she was a signator.

Meeting with HfH on 8th May (next day)

HfH are keen for as many of the committee as possible to attend this meeting. Important to show that the committee is well-supported. MH said Wednesdays were not good for him. HLA did not have an agenda for this meeting. RK had said he wanted text for a newsletter. It would also be good to provide a list of dates of meetings. SB reminded the meeting of the list of topics provided at the first meeting with HfH:

1. Recognition
2. Piggy-backing; room-hire; database; levy
3. RES (RSP; LIF; RIA; local groups; TPP)
4. SB & RSP
5. Service charge increases
6. Meetings with Aman Dalvi and RK

SB said she didn't want the 'chair@' address to be used for contact detail exercise planned with HfH. MH said a gmail address could be used as a forwarding address. MH asked what the costs of sorting out bulk-mailing might be. NMC to put MH in touch with Charlie.

On 1) the discussion was not ended. HLA had been promised that no changes to the Recognition Criteria would be made without consultation. Yet this had happened as recognition was now to be decided by officers instead of the Board and the date that it started from had been changed from the date of the AGM to the date of receipt of the application. It was not clear why this had been changed. HLA had not been consulted. Now that the TPP no longer existed there was no clear mechanism for consulting on changes to important policy documents such as the Recognition Criteria. NMC said he hoped that recognition had now died down as a key issue.

On 2) all the topics were still live. The other topics it had more or less been made clear that the Resident Engagement Team would not deal with them. However the Governance Team had not responded to HLA's last letter.

NMC said HfH wanted to know the HLA's plans. There was a discussion about the best time to have an AGM and whether this should depend on door-knocking availability. MC said door-knocking had not worked well in her area. The database is increasingly out of date.

It was agreed to hold the AGM on 9th May 2020. A GM would be held on 14th September 2019. The next committee meetings were to be on 24th June, 19th August, 4th November 2019 and then 3rd February and 6th April 2020. In general it was agreed to hold committee meetings on the first

Monday of the month every two months. The HLA would move to a system whereby meetings were advertised long in advance and not organized on an ad hoc basis. It was hoped this would increase attendance.

Information Commissioner & London Leaseholder Network

NMC gave quick updates on these remaining agenda items. It was agreed to re-invite Peter Wright of the LLN to another committee meeting.

The meeting closed at 21:15.