

# REDINGTON FROGNAL ASSOCIATION Umbrella body for residents groups in the Redington Frognal Conservation Area

# AGM: Monday 12 September 2016 at 7 pm. Held at the home of Tina Marton, 15 Hollycroft Avenue

#### Present:

Cllr. Gio Spinella

Rob Hagemans (Chair) Finchley Road Laurence Bard (Treasurer) Platt's Lane

Rupert Terry Ferncroft Avenue
Penny Davis Briardale Gardens
Siobhan Ezra Arkwright Road
Tina Marton Hollycroft Avenue
Hazel Finn Bracknell Gardens
Nancy Mayo (Secretary) Hollycroft Avenue

Emily Brettle Platt's Lane

Beryl Tollady
Ian Tollady
Rosecroft Avenue
Rosecroft Avenue
Rosecroft Avenue
Arkwright Mansions
Susan Grossman
Val Russell
Rosecroft Avenue
Arkwright Mansions
Kidderpore Gardens
Arkwright Road

1. Apologies

Maryam Alaghband, Cllr. Siobhan Baillie, Linda Chung, Mojgan Green, John Fox, John Malet-Bates, Ralf Schoepfer, Alan Sanders, Susan Salmanpour, Harlan Zimmerman.

2. Minutes of last AGM

Approved.

3. Chair's report

Rob provided a brief summary of work undertaken by the Association in 2015-16.

The major campaign by the Association had been the opposition to the Mount Anvil planning application for residential development on, and underground parking beneath, the Kidderpore Avenue Site of Interest for Nature Conservation.



In 2016-17, the Association is campaigning against the demolition of 28 Redington Road.

#### 4. Treasurer's report

This had previously been presented at the unfinished AGM held on 13 June 2016. However, Lawrence recapped by noting that the Association had been relatively successful in containing expenditure – primarily in association with the development of the neighbourhood plan – to c. £1,600 more than the income it received.

The 2015-16 accounts were approved and will now be filed at Companies House.

With bank deposits of less than £3,000, it is imperative to begin to build up reserves. Expenses can now be expected to run at lower levels and, in 2016-17, are likely to be primarily attributable to graphic design work and publicity for the Neighbourhood Plan, and the change of company status. Nevertheless, a war chest will need to be developed, in the event that Redfrog has to fight another major planning battle.

Create Streets will provide input into the AECOM design codes and arrange for a planning inspector to assess the Plan on a pro bono basis.

Discussion took place over the roles of the Association (a voluntary organisation) and the Forum (a legal entity). The Forum has a designated lifespan of five years and it is therefore essential to retain the Association, including for raising subscriptions, holding events and other fundraising.

#### 5. Election of officers

Company officers are Dudley Leigh (Company Secretary), Farokh Khorooshi, Laurence Bard and Siobhan Ezra.

Laurence agreed to contact Farokh, to take steps to ensure his resignation, and to contact Dudley, to ascertain whether he wishes to continue as Company Secretary. Siobhan will reflect on whether or not to continue as a director.

In order to mirror the Neighbourhood Forum (for ease of operation), the following appointments were proposed and seconded for day-to-day administration: Rupert Terry, Chairman and Nancy Mayo, Secretary.

# 6. Conversion from company limited by guarantee to charity status

It was agreed to change the company's status from company limited by guarantee, to charitable status, and to register with the Charities Commission. This involves a



considerable amount of paperwork and is to be undertaken, on Redfrog's behalf, by Ltdonline, a companies formation service. The cost is likely to be around £200, unless difficulties are raised by the Charities Commission.

Mount Anvil may potentially agree to fund an update of the Redington Frognal Conservation Area appraisal, once charitable status is in place.

# 7. Household subscriptions and fundraising

Redfrog will aim to raise funds through subscriptions, donations and arranging events.

The Association had previously earned income through an agreement with Berns and Brett insurers for advertising in the Redfrog (hard copy) newsletter. The newsletter had been edited by Ann Eastman, who has since moved. The newsletter was to have been replaced by social media and it would be possible to replace develop a MailChimp email newsletter, including updates to the progress of the Neighbourhood Plan, or a newsletter along the lines of I Love Hampstead.

It was acknowledged that the Association needs to improve its publicity and become less formal. Tina offered to contact St. Luke's School to gauge interest in arranging events for young mothers within the Redfrog area. Other ideas included posting notices on Mumsnet and in the Mount Anvil newsletter, holding street parties and developing stronger street associations.

#### Craxton Studios Jazz Event

It was agreed to proceed with another Jazz evening at Craxton Studios during November, to gain publicity for the Neighbourhood Plan. This is being made possible by the kind offer of Alan Finn and his jazz band.

Speakers might include Vicki Harding on trees and Tulip Siddiq, MP, to perhaps describe a typical day in Parliament.

#### Association website

A Campaigns tab should be added, along with tabs for each street association, featuring the name and email address of the street representative.

Siobhan noted that the Association had been formed to provide a voice for individual street associations and that it had commanded a high level of respect.



It is also important to raise the profile of the Association through the work of the Neighbourhood Forum and the Neighbourhood Plan.

# 8. Update on Mount Anvil development

Emily noted that the proposed one-way system has now been superseded.

#### 9. Application to demolish 28 Redington Road

The Redington Frognal Conservation Area Statement identifies 28 Redington Road as a positive contributor. Objections to its demolition have been submitted by both the Association and Forum, by HCAAC and by the Victorian Society. The owner of 26 Redington Road has commissioned various research, including an analysis by The Conservation Studio of the applicants' heritage statement, which used an out-of-date Historic England checklist and drew erroneous conclusions from it and from the legislation.

10. AoB

#### New street representatives

Current street reps, including as from today's AGM:

Tina: Hollycroft Avenue

Emily: Platt's Lane

Nicole Sochor: Briardale and Clorane Gardens

Eddie Hanson: Studholme Court Rob: Finchley Road

Susan G: Kidderpore Gardens
Val and Siobhan: Arkwright Road
Bill: Arkwright Mansions
Hazel: Bracknell Gardens
Rupert: Ferncroft Avenue

John F: Rosecroft Avenue.

Representatives are needed for Frognal, Templewood Avenue, Redington Road and a number of other streets. The success of the Lindfield and Langland Neighbourhood Association was noted.



The Chairs of street associations are to be invited to a meeting, along with Safer Neighbourhoods representatives. The Association might seek input on what is annoying to residents in each street.

A Traffic Area Action Group is planned by Camden and should be attended by the Association.

A working group is to be established to resurrect the Association and its membership.

# **Air Pollution Mapping**

Tina, Siobhan, Emily and Hazel agreed to apply for CleanSpace tags to monitor air pollution, in order to map air pollution when walking: <a href="https://our.clean.space/lets-map-london">https://our.clean.space/lets-map-london</a>

#### TfL Consultation on reductions to Finchley Road bus services

It was noted that plans to abolish the 82 bus service will come into force at the same time that CS11 construction work commences.

Residents were urged to complete the TfL survey, **by 30 September**, at: <a href="https://consultations.tfl.gov.uk/buses/routes-13-82-113-139-189">https://consultations.tfl.gov.uk/buses/routes-13-82-113-139-189</a>

#### CS11 meeting at St Stephen's Church, at 8pm on 27th Sept

CS 11 could well be another catalyst for membership.

Currently, plans for CS 11 between Swiss Cottage and Brent Cross have been shelved.

# **Camden Local Plan Examination**

The public hearing of the Local Plan is to take place on 22 October.