



## **AGM 2024 MINUTES Meeting held in Kingswood Village Hall on Tuesday, June 4 at 8.00pm**

### **Agenda:**

Welcome, Introductions and Apologies  
Approval of the 2023 AGM Minutes.  
Treasurer's Report Adrienne Light.  
Election of Auditor David Buckley  
Election of Officers, Committee and Road Representatives  
Vote on amendment to the Constitution  
L&G Statement David Floyd  
Q&A Surrey County Councillor Rebecca Paul  
Q&A Borough Councillor Simon Parnall  
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### **Introductions, Apologies and Minutes**

Introduction and Apologies. Welcome to Penny Hext the Chair of the Woodmansterne RA. Apologies from: Justus van der Spuy, Andrew Grey, Jane and Robin Hollington, Alistiar Sinclair, David and Caroline Mushens. After Welcoming everyone to the 2024 AGM, the Interim Chair, Richard Lewis, asked for - and received - a unanimous vote to approve the minutes of the previous AGM.

### **Interim Chair Report.**

During the year we have been going through a period of change. David Floyd stood down as Chair and I would like to thank him for chairing the early part of the year. I agreed to stand as interim chair until the new Chair, Caroline Neame, is elected at the AGM I have agreed to stand as vice chair (if elected!). Also, many thanks to Dave Saunders, our Membership Secretary, who held it all together at the end of last year.

The new look KRA will have key committee members with specific job responsibilities, and Road Representatives. They were all mentioned in the Village Voice article. But, of course, they will need your vote at the AGM to have them elected.

The purpose of the KRA is to build an association **with** the residents **for** the residents to continue to make Kingswood a village to be proud of!

### **Treasurer's Report**

Adrienne Light presented the accounts for the year to December 31, 2023. She said she had not been the Treasurer for the year but was asked to prepare and present the accounts. She reported we had a surplus of £1500 for the year. Very little activity last year, so no special projects. A unanimous vote to approve the accounts.

The accounts had once again been audited by David Buckley who was re-elected as auditor for the next 12 month.

## **Election of honorary officers and Road Representatives**

Chair	Caroline Neame
Vice-chair	Richard Lewis
Treasurer	Adrienne Light
Secretary	Vacancy
Membership secretary	Dave Saunders
Planning – major projects	David Floyd. Valerie Evans
Planning – general projects	Keith Denyer. Zaid Sethi
Roads and transport	Mike Gibson
Publicity	Deborah Mackenzie
Village Improvement Projects	Chantal Cox
Community Events	Sapna Dhami

## **Road Representatives:**

John Wood	David Mushens	Deborah Mackenzie
Richard Lewis	Adrienne Light	Alistair Sinclair
Amanda Smith	Cllr Shelly Newton	Stephen Gale-Batten
Dave Saunders	Cllr. Simon Parnall	Beryl/Duncan Osborne
David Floyd	Chantal Cox	Barry Miles
Rajan Kapoor	Carolyn Barke	Andrew Grey
Suzanne Palmer	Sapna Dhami	Valerie Evans
Caroline Neame	Mike Gibson	Zaid Sethi

## **Votes on the constitution amendment**

We propose to make the change **from**

*Association road representatives (road reps) will, upon election, automatically be appointed to the Committee and therefore, as members of the Committee, have the same voting rights as officers. However, a road rep may elect not to serve as a member of the Committee. Road reps who choose to opt-out of Committee membership may still attend Committee meetings and raise any issue but will have no voting rights at Committee meetings. All committee members – officers and road reps – are subject to election/re-election at each AGM. The Committee may, from time to time, co-opt any person as deemed necessary or as may be required.*

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*The Association will, at each Annual General Meeting (AGM), elect the members of the Committee. Only members of the Association can become members of the Committee.*

*Association Road Representative (Road Reps) will be welcome to attend Committee meetings to raise and or discuss specific issues notified in advance by them to the Secretary. Committee members and officers all have defined roles and responsibilities within the Association.*

*Road Reps will not have voting rights at Committee meetings except on issues raised by them for discussion at Committee meetings.*

*All committee members – officers and road reps – are subject to election/re-election at each AGM. The Committee may, from time to time, co-opt any person as deemed necessary or as may be required.*

A unanimous vote to approve the constitution change.

## **L&G Statement**

David Floyd presented the following information. The original project announced in 2020 was for a comprehensive retirement village. Nothing since. Some money spent on heat source pumps. Apart from that nothing has happened. The KRA have been pushing for progress, now a statement has been issued from L&G Capital stating the site has been put on the market. A copy of the sale conditions will be given to the KRA to ensure the planning requirements are still in place.

## **Local councillors**

### **Surrey County Council**

Rebecca Paul stated the concern over the proposed closure of Banstead Fire Station. There is an ongoing consultation, and she is keen for everyone to raise any issues they might have. The consultation is currently closed until after the general election. She also spoke about issues in Outwood Lane, improvements have been identified and will be implemented soon. Some other road improvements to be carried out include resurfacing the A217 and Reigate Road near ASDA store. Another issue raised is a road crossing on the A217. Rebecca has put a bid in for this project and it is up for review with many other bids.

Q&A: Various points raised including Outwood Lane, Hedge cutting, Potholes, Drainage. Rebecca commented on all with positive responses where more money is available to fix these issues. She added If residents have issues keep reporting to the Council, if no action escalate to Rebecca

### **Reigate And Banstead Borough Council**

Simon Parnall introduced the other Councillors present, Jed Dwight and Shelly Newton. He wanted to focus on the most popular topic, planning. He is the current Chair of the Council Planning Committee. He stated there were many planning applications on going and only a certain percentage comes to the Planning Committee, most are designated to planning officers, however, residents can ask for particular issues to be discussed by the Planning Committee. He stated that all decisions are made in accordance with the current planning policy. He suggested residents get involved with the consultation process for the upcoming policy review.

Q&A: Various points raised about building without planning consent, the development of the Waterhouse Café site, appeals sent to Bristol. Simon responded to all these with clear explanations and re-enforced the whole process is managed within the planning policies.

### **Village Improvements.**

Chantal Cox outlined projects ongoing and expressed thanks to R&BC for funding for new planters and the gardens near the station. New funding applications for a 'talking bench' outside the Village Hall and Christmas lights for the village. She highlighted the continuing work by the litter pickers.

### **Any other business**

Caroline Neame confirmed the continuing association between the KVCA an KRA. Other projects were outlined including a 'toddler's park'. However, we are having difficulty finding land available next to the village.

She explained that plans were now to improve the village life with many new upcoming events including an increasing involvement with the Kingswood Arms.

**Meeting closed 9.15pm**