Minutes of the Cambridge Road Estates Community Group Meeting Held at 6pm on 14th March 2011 at Tadlow

Present:	Jill Preston (JP) Sheila Griffin (SG) Georgie Harris (GH) Maria Tumner (MT)	Chair Member Member Support	Doreen Gardiner (DG) Jenny Pitt (JennyP) Claudia Cane (CC)	Secretary Member RBK
	Des Gordon (DesG)	Support	Mary Graham (MG)	Member
	Veronica Story	RBK Adult Services	Penny Shelton (PS)	RBK Cllr
Apologies	Geraldine Burgess (GB)	Member	Jill Darling (JD)	Support
	David Ryder Mills	Cllr	Victor Kitenge	Member
	John Higson	Vice Chair	Lynsey McCormack (LM)	Support

1. JP opened the meeting and apologies were given.

TO AGREE MINUTES OF 7th FEBRUARY 2011

These were agreed.

2. TO DISCUSS ADULT LEARNING EVENT WITH VERONICA STOREY

VS reported that RBK Family Leaning Services are holding a National event in RBK but she would like to target more families that they work with on the CRE and are planning to hold a Family Learning Event on CRE one Saturday in October. VS asked if CREst would be prepared to advertise and support the event by encouraging agencies such as Kickz and Play Schemes to attend. It is hoped that the event can take place on either 15th or 22nd October in Piper Hall. It was agreed that JP will try to book the hall and that we will meet again at our May meeting to update the plans.

JP

ACTION

3. **ESTATE MATTERS**

JP reported ongoing problems with the lift in Brinkley. CC stated that this had been due to a pipe bursting but was being attended to. She also reported that the handrail from Ely Green to Tadlow had been erected and the ramp is under construction.

When asked about the current situation with Madingley CC stated that the Fire Brigade were still not happy with the situation but will re-assess it when the work is completed. JP asked how long it would be until CREst once again have access to the Community Shop. DesG stated that SO has said this is not possible as it is being used by the contractors. MG reminded DesG that the Community Shop was a CAP funded facility and this should be remembered.

It was also reported by SG that a broken fence on Ayliffe Ct prevents the gate being locked – CC will pursue this.

4. TO DISCUSS PROPOSAL FROM MARY GRAHAM

MG had asked for this item to be on the agenda as the situation around our withdrawal from the Royal Wedding Working Party had highlighted an ongoing problematic situation.

This matter was discussed at length and as a result the Community Group unanimously agreed that if there are any further disruptions a formal complaint will be made.

	MATTERS ADJUSTA		
5.	 a) PlayScheme update - The Marathon Trust have offered a grant of £110k for this project. Des G reported that Kingston Town's meeting will be held on 5th April where there is a proposal to allocate funds from 'The Bill' account to augment the CRE Play Scheme budget. Residents are urged to attend to support this. There is a new promotional flyer being designed to encourage local resident participation – DesG will email a draft to CREst. SG reported that she has been actively seeking local families to take part. b) Fit as a Fiddle – DG asked the group if it was possible for CREst to fund a further 6 week course. This was agreed. c) AFC Wimbledon Matchday Events. JP reported that she waiting for Jen Emeny to respond with a meeting date d) Building Bridges - It was suggested that JP email Martha to request that we be kept 'in the loop' with this project e) Age Concern security talk. – SG reported that she had 5 people attend the first of these meetings. 	DesG SG DG	
6	GARDENING PROJECT		
	It was suggested by those present that Saturdays would be far more convenient for residents to meeting. MG reported that she had met with JP and HG where it was agreed that a meeting be convened to a self governing group. This is due to meet on Saturday 19 th March at 10am in Piper Hall.	JP	
7.	CHAIRS REPORT		
	 JP had circulated her report prior to the meeting. Key issues were: a) The forthcoming AGM is on 16th April. It was agreed that every effort be made to encourage as many residents as possible to attend. 		
8.	TREASURER'S REPORT		
9.	GH reported that she is currently updating the accounts in preparation for the AGM TRAINING UPDATE	GH	
	DG reported that she and JP are booked to attend a 2 day 'Outcomes' training course as part of Charity Commissions Governance Training. It was also agreed that becoming a registered charity was now a priority.		
10.	NEWSLETTER.	JP	
	MG is looking for funding . She is scheduled to attend the Thames Community Foundation reception on 4 th April where she hopes to seek the £3000 needed for the Newsletter.	MG	
11	EVENTS & ACTIVITIES UPDATE		
12	 a) Coach Trips – DG reported that she plans to arrange a trip to Littlehampton and Brighton in July/August b) Royal Wedding Street Party – As reported earlier CREst are no longer involved with this. 	DG MG	
	 c) Fun Day – JP reported that the Fun Day is booked for 20th August. The Fun Day committee are meeting monthly and are proceeding well d) Children's Easter event Piper Hall has been booked for 20th April where we will be holding a children's activity – probably 'Enjoy-a-Ball' 	MG	

	e) 2011 Gala – DG reported that this will be held on 12 th December in Kingsmeadow from 4 – 7pm. Entertainer will be Charley Farley	
14	DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING – AGM – 16 th April in Piper Hall	