

Kingsley and Links View Residents Association (KLVRA)

Meeting Minutes

Date of meeting: Monday 28th January at 6-30 pm

Location of meeting: Heathers Café, 86 Kingsley Park Terrace, Northampton, NN2 7HU

Present:

Lord Bungle – Chairman
Heather Korbey – Deputy Chairman
Hazel Hiam
Elizabeth Staples
Robin Smith
David Atkins – Secretary
Phil Robins
Lee Winterton
Councillor Cathrine Russell

Apologies:

Anjona Roy

1. Review of last meetings minutes
 - a. These were reviewed and accepted.
2. Matters arising
 - a. Cathrine reminded us that all minutes need to be signed by the Chairman and saved, David will co-ordinate with Bungle on this
3. Acceptance of minutes of previous meeting
 - a. Proposed by Robin Smith seconded by Heather Korbey
4. Review of the report of the Links View Residents meeting on 17th Jan 2019

David went through this with the committee and his report is attached with these minutes.

We then discussed the various areas of concern from this report as follows:

5. Street Lights

Cathrine told us that the Council are considering replacing the light bulbs in the street lights as they are not large enough, hopefully this will improve the situation. Below is the web address to report faulty lights - http://www.lightingnorthamptonshire.com/report_fault.aspx
6. Local shops

The original shops that were in Links View closed due to a lack of business; it's unlikely that others would open. As an alternative it was suggested that we consider setting up either a weekly Farmers market on the Racecourse or in the Pioneer Pub or possibly a community shop.

A pensioner's day at [REDACTED] was also suggested by Cathrine and Bungle will follow up on this – Action Bungle

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We could also consider a Kingsley/Links View Residents Card (similar to the Totally Local Card)

7. Roads and Pavements

- Rocksalt for Sunningdale: Lee was told by Street Doctor that a yellow salt bin would be placed in Sunningdale, residents would fill this with Rocksalt.
- Sunningdale Close: The road in Sunningdale Close has a big dip which requires attention.
- Kingsley Front: Between Capital Stores and the Cleaners there is a big dip near the kerbside that needs repair. – Action Catherine will deal with and the item above.
- Trees opposite Alisons Chemist on Kingsley Park Terr: These have been reported to Street Doctor several times, the suckers at the bottom of the tree needs trimming, it may be in Phippsville - Catherine to check.
- Zebra crossing outside Greenview surgery: This is dangerous many motorists do not stop, could it be changed to a Pelican Crossing? - Action Cathrine

8. Bus service

The number 19 bus has been reinstated but does not service Links View. Bungle has tried several times to contact the Stagecoach Bus Manager without success, he now plans to visit the depot, Cathrine suggested that he take a Chronicle and Echo reporter with him. There was a discussion regarding the ability of Buses doing a U turn at the end of their route through Links View but Bungle (as an ex bus driver) assured us that it was possible – Action Bungle

9. Burned out vehicles:

A Neighbourhood Watch scheme was suggested as a way to reduce this and other criminality in the area. Alan Earl is the Neighbourhood Watch coordinator in Northampton. At the next residents meeting we should ask who would be interested in a Neighbourhood Watch scheme and possibly mention it on the meeting invitation leaflets that we drop through letterboxes.

10. Priorities:

The committee decided that the following should be priorities that we deal with:

- Buses
- Neighbourhood Watch

11. Any other business

- Liz reported a vehicle fire outside of her house last weekend, no one else knew anything about it but it was thought to be a genuine car fire (i.e. accident)
- ██████ told us about milk being stolen off ██████ doorstep; others mentioned that they have the same problem. David mentioned that secure milk bottle holders can be purchased and a link to the website of a typical one is below. <https://www.milkbottleholders.co.uk/>