

EASTCOTE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Notes on Meeting held

Wednesday 29th June 2022, at 7.30 p.m.

In-person at St Thomas More Hall, 32 Field End Road, Eastcote, HA5 2QT and by Zoom

Present: ERA committee members (10), Residents (1). Cllr Ian Edwards.

Apologies: ERA committee members (3), Cllr Nick Denys.

1.	Welcome
2.	Notes for meeting 27 th April 2022 - Approved
3.	Notes from AGM 25 th May 2022 – still awaiting outstanding responses which need to be added. Held over for approval at the next meeting.
4.	Matters Arising and councillors' answers to outstanding questions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Barnhill – outstanding issue to be addressed by Councillor Denys. 2. Wilding – this year mown early because flowering didn't take well. The scheme has been expanded and now mainstreamed as Council policy. 3. Oak Grove – no weight limit on bridge. Not suitable for HGV (Traffic order from 1980s on Chelston Road). LBH are looking at width restriction across bridge enforced by CCTV and fixed penalties. CCTV can be moved from elsewhere in Borough. Pavement cannot be widened – may have to be made one-way but residents unlikely to support. Flats on corner – planning conditions have to be satisfied – builders must provide a construction plan that is signed off jointly by the Council and TfL. 4. Allotments and Lime Grove – Allotments over-subscribed – LBH conducting a borough-wide review. 5. Recycling – ERA response on re-cycling fed back to Councillor Lavery. Contamination of recycled material is very low – food waste is the main source of contamination. Anything manufactured for recycling can be put in bag and if Biffa refuse, LBH will have a discussion with them.
5.	Discussions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Recycling Report mentioned at AGM circulated to committee members for discussion on how can ERA help residents? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cllr IE has already passed the report which he found to be very useful to council officers for them to comment. It was also noted that the advice "when in doubt, leave it out" was no longer valid – the recycling is sorted at the depot, so if it says it can be recycled then include it – it's the councils' responsibility to recycle it. This needs to be clarified. 2. Cardboard only collected if in recycling bags in some roads. 3. Recycling will be discussed at HARA – discussion about how to inform residents and what to do with the many new compostable/recyclable non-standard items such as plant pots and chocolate wrappers.
6.	Committee Reports
1.	Chair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Flooding – Cllr Lavery to be invited to attend next EFlag meeting to discuss work being undertaken in Bessingby Park 2. HARA – next meeting 25th July 2022, the chair is unable to attend and will send apologies.
	3. HS2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Community Engagement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. West Ruislip Information Hub open 2-4 Monday and Wednesday – no appointment necessary. 2. Various local groups e.g., scouts and local infant school have been on site visits. 3. Work with local schools and organisations has restarted – help with projects plus grants available. There is a webinar on how to apply for Community and Environment Fund (CEF) and Business and Local Economy Fund (LEF) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=suDLkrN_tWE. Please encourage local residents to take advantage of these. 2. HS2/LBH Traffic <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. New speed restriction now in place on Brakespeare Road South (and Ducks Hill) 40 m.p.h. 2. Dominique (very large structure being used to move across lake) will be in operation weekends and overnight during the week over the A412 near Denham as the construction of the viaduct begins. Waiting to hear if this will be left in situ during the day or moved away. There will be a very long

		diversion in place which is currently expected to be in place from 10th August to 15th October via Ickenham-Ruislip-Rickmansworth-Maple Cross and vice versa.
		4. H4All – some meetings in person some online. Get lots of information on various Health Talks – some unfortunately arrive too late to put on website. Would be good to have someone to receive emails and input.
	2.	Environment
		1. Eastcote Conservation Panel – No report
		2. London Green Belt Council – The AGM will be held via Zoom on 13 July. Whilst the Meeting will conduct AGM type business the agenda also includes items of "normal" business such as updates on current threats to Green Belt land.
	3.	Finance
		<p>1. Conservation Panel annual donation £100 paid.</p> <p>2. Agreed to pay community contribution for Christmas Lights £200 same as last year. Going to light tree outside Yaprak's – wrote to ask if someone requested this and say this matter down to the individual residents that may be affected and that they should be consulted.</p> <p>NatWest Application started as per AGM minutes. (Post meeting committee members emailed copy of application paperwork received from bank.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ahead for Business p3of4 – Debit Card 1. Resolution (1 Debit card required) <p>and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bank Mandate - p2of8 - 3. Resolution New Accounts <p>p3of8 - 4. Signing rules: 1 to sign up to £500 and over that both to sign.</p> <p>All responses received agreed with the above. (still awaiting 1 response)</p>
	4.	Newsletter – discussion about possibly producing an 8-pager over the summer.
	5.	Parks
		<p>1. Eastcote House Gardens</p> <p>1. Jubilee picnic great success.</p> <p>(ERA attended and our presence was well received – residents came up to talk to us and the children enjoyed the balloons. Also received and passed on the following comment "Huge congratulations to Friends of Eastcote House and Gardens and heartfelt thanks to everyone involved at the fete. Wonderful afternoon.")</p> <p>2. There have been some recent problems with vandalism: motor scooters, graffiti, unlicensed music events (one-off).</p> <p>3. Unfortunately, this spread over to the War memorial: waste bin and bench set on fire at weekend.</p>
		2. RWMAG – No Report
	6.	1. Planning Report circulated prior to meeting. Help or further information on specific cases can be requested by emailing planning@eastcotera.co.uk .
		2. Town Centre
		1. Shop fronts – No Report
		2. Licensing – No Report
	7.	Policing – No Report
	8.	<p>Road Stewarding/Membership</p> <p>1. An invitation to Afternoon Tea at The Stables EHG on Tuesday 2nd August will be sent out soon to all Road Stewards and Committee members with the aim of re-connecting after 2 years gap.</p> <p>2. Currently have 35 members paying by direct debit – 5 new direct debit payments set up in June (ie since the Picnic), with another 6 new since the beginning of this year. ERA receives £1.80 of the £2 payment made – 20p being taken by GoCardless + a few direct payments of personal subscription to ERA bank account by Committee members.</p> <p>3. There were 4 expressions of interest in ERA via the website during Jan – March this year to whom an email was sent in March explaining no Stewards visiting doorsteps currently but telling about how to join via the website - nothing has come of that. There have been a further 3 interest referrals from the website since April and a similar acknowledgement will be sent.</p> <p>4. As at end March 3 additions to the weekly enews list – again emailed them to try to generate interest in becoming a member.</p> <p>5. Delivering a letter from road steward to residents asking them to pay on line is to be trialled in 3 roads.</p>
	9.	Transport
		1. FoMLUC – The Chairman has emailed members just this week to ask if he should endeavour to organise a meeting with London Underground in the Autumn. ERA will reply in the affirmative and await further news...
		2. Northolt – ERA attended RAF Northolt Airspace Change Proposal Stage 2A Information Briefings.

	10.	Website 1. Draft flyer was approved subject to using ERA green and font and finding a suitable image.
	7.	AOB
	1.	Councillors 'Council Update' – various responses to questions from AGM added to AGM notes.
	2.	ERA has started a comprehensive analysis of access issues at Bessingby Park a draft report will be circulated.
		Meeting closed 21.16 - Next meeting (July) by Zoom 3rd August 7.30
		Future Meetings – NO AUGUST MEETING, St Thomas More: Wednesday 28th September and OPEN FORUM Wednesday 26 th October. Zoom: Wednesday 30 th November and NO DECEMBER MEETING.