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RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Annual General Meeting Minutes

Meeting: 20th October 2011

Place: Presbyterian Church Hall, MacMillan Ave

Minute Recorder: Linda Watts

Welcome: Terry Young

Chair of CRA, Terry Young welcomed all those present and in light of our recent experience of continuous earthquakes spoke of the exit strategy should another quake be experienced

Apologies: Bob Curries, Jill Grierson (38 McMillan Ave), Betty Pollard, Helen Tait
Rik Tindall moved that these should be accepted which was seconded Eve Harding.

Minutes of last meeting: The minutes of the last meeting were agreed to by everyone present, Proposed and seconded again by Linda Watts and Joan Blatchford

Financial Report:

Presented by Hilary Marks

It was discussed that our financial accounts 2009-2010 cannot ever be audited as we did not receive all the paper work yet be Peter McKearney audited because of the absence of. A commitment was made to address this in the new year - to be presented at the 2012 AGM, which was agreed to by those present. Geoff Price offered information regarding audit costs of \$100 plus GST. Proposed and seconded to be accepted by Terry Young and Linda Watts

Matters Arising:

Discussion about the inability (because of family sickness), for Sonia Pollard to be guest speaker.

Chair's Report:

Terry explained that there was considerable thought required re: the placement of pedestrian crossings along Cashmere Road and those decisions were to be deferred temporarily. He shared his concerns about any plans to have an island in the middle of the road which would likely hinder the flow of traffic which is currently constricted. The proposed release of 900 sections in Lincoln was likely to add to the challenges associated with traffic flow. The report by Thorrington School re: bus stop were discussed with the acknowledgement that buses cannot stop safely in traffic. The school continues to restrict traffic flow and needs to take co-responsibility for restrictions placed on traffic flow.

The demolition of shops on the corner of Colombo and Cashmere was addressed, with a general consensus of the benefit of not rebuilding on the site.

General Business:

Roading issues regarding the SW need to be examined and alternatives explored by Sonia Pollard and sent to Phil Clearwater at the Community Board. Safety issues need to be addressed re: crossings and traffic lights with the acknowledgment that when roads are wide, traffic tends to go faster and that without a split island pedestrian crossings are not safe. It was acknowledged that Cashmere road was not the only problem at present, with concerns raised about the earthquake damage along Sparks Road.

Awareness that Cashmere High School - along with the wider community, needs to be included in any dialogue concerning the replacement of the bridge in Barrington St and provisions for wheelchair safety.

Further discussion about the limitations placed on traffic flow by the closure of Evans Pass, which has increased traffic flow in Dyers Pass Road and the limitations placed on ease of access to South Library/Beckenham Service Centre parking by EQC/Fletchers vehicles.

Speaker: Phil Clearwater

Phil spoke about a large range of issues, particularly around Community Board and Resident's Associations' collaboration. The Sydenham Master Plan was discussed. Mary O'Reilly is no longer our area communication point and in the interim, Tim Scandrett and Phil Clearwater are happy to be contacted directly on community issues

A discussion around preferred modes of communication regarding local issues was held with agreement that information would be shared through our CRA email list. This was proposed by Jim King and seconded by Caro Bonzon.

Meeting ended at 9.05, with provision of time for conversation and refreshments.

Meeting closed at 9-30pm with the opportunity to stay for more conversation.