

Monday 9 November 2020  
Virtual Meeting, 8pm  
Minutes

1. Apologies for Absence
2. None  
Welcome to Agnes Barstow  
Present: Nigel Manders, Rob and Sandra Lewis, Mike Cancceda, Sarah Jenkins, Paul Headland, Kate Warburton, Agnes Barstow, George Woolfenden (briefly, due to technical difficulties), Jayne Arnold
3. Minutes of the meeting of the 19 October 2020  
Agreed
4. Meeting Actions
  - Two properties being used for commercial purposes. CCF knew one had ceased but on still operating.
  - Facebook. Mike to check if people are still living in West End. Has already identified some who are not residents of the West End. Kate now has access as admin.
  - SID- Paul has offered to take over. Will get it back in the new year.
5. AGM  
See separate agenda
6. Planning Matters
  - Property A  

Withdrawn after applied to turn 6 bed into 8 bed, turned down. Applied again as 6 bed. RL: upstairs 4 bedrooms will be converted to 3 bedrooms, extra bedroom downstairs. Does HMO licence mean could have 12 people in 6 double rooms? What are the conditions attached to a 6- bed licence? Why would the owner be spending so much money if still for 6 people? Technically it is for a 5- bed because one bedroom is smaller than regulations. Agreed for WERA to object.
  - Property B  

Applied 2 years ago to become HMO. Turned down. Have attempted to sell for 6 months, priced £145,000. However it has been a difficult 6 months during lockdown. Not tried to let it out. Ask council to extend 6 months due to pandemic. WERA will object.
  - Property C  

GW said horse association are going to object to it being knocked down. A number of residents are objecting. If WERA doesn't object, we need to discuss with residents what their objections are. Emergency exit onto shared pathway. Taking up light, windows overlooking, storage of refuse up to boundary wall. We need to be sure on what grounds we aren't objecting, because may be seen not to be supporting local residents. Will try to pick out legitimate concerns.
7. AOB
  - Property D – empty but plenty of people want to buy it. Now have got probate. Relatives live in Spain and Kent.
  - Incidents at weekend have been escalated to Police. Egging and stone through window, bikes stolen, wing mirrors kicked off cars. Some incidents have happened since PCSO Pete retired.
  - RL will try to get streetlight on Tennyson St fixed.
  - RL offering to help update website with achievements of WERA. JA also has all the minutes available.
  - SJ reported noise nuisance to the university. Has taken two weeks to receive letter back with code on.
8. Date of next meeting  
Tuesday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, 8pm.

