

GOLDSWORTH PARK RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the meeting held at the Lakeview Centre on 12 May 1981

Present:- J Goman Smith
H Lidstone
C Kew
R Whitehorn
G Pickles
N Greene
R Eagleson
R Brown
R Compton
M Elmers
D Morris

Apologies:-
None

Attending:- Mr Thorp - TOC H

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming those present.

The Minutes of the previous meeting on 14 April 1981 were approved.

REPORT FROM TOC H

Mr Thorp from Woking Branch of TOC H explained the working of the organisation and how they are able to offer assistance both with ideas for fundraising and setting up of community projects. Mr Thorp gave a brief history of TOC H which was started during the first world war and its consequent development into a world wide organisation for helping people in the community. Surrey TOCH has for example at present projects which provide a children's camp, are involved with the Leatherhead Blind School, are organising a playscheme in the summer months at Sherewater etc.

He offered the use of Woking TOC H's minibus for any of our activities. There is no formal hire charge but a suitable donation would be gratefully received.

G Pickles asked with such a wealth of experience, what specific assistance TOC H could give regarding fundraising and setting up of a community centre on Goldsworth Park, bearing in mind that approximately 3000 children are living on the park, of which an estimated 500-1000 children will become teenagers within five years, it was important that suitable facilities be provided to meet their needs.

The Chairman expressed concern that similar problems as those which arose on large developments in the 1960's ie. Milton Keynes may occur on Goldsworth Park unless adequate planning for the future takes place.

Mr Thorp was able to give the committee advice and he reminded us that many new projects had been started by TOC H and subsequently taken over by other agencies/societies once completed. He remarked that new building projects had been undertaken using the Manpower Services Scheme for unemployed labour to defray the large labour cost.

TOC H had recently undertaken a project in the North East which would be of particular relevance to Goldsworth Park and Mr Thorp agreed to find out more.

REPORT FROM TOC H continued

He would contact the TOC H Staff Man in Milton Keynes to see how the problems of a new town were overcome and would make his findings available to the committee.

He agreed that, at a future date, help would be given to the residents on Goldsworth Park by a canvas to find out the type of community facilities needed on the park.

The Chairman and G Pickles will maintain regular contact with Mr Thorp of TOC H in order to find out how they can be of help.

SPONSORED WALK

R Eagleson outlined the arrangements for the sponsored walk to take place on 25 May 1981.

Ideal Homes had offered the use of one of their caravans, and R Eagleson the use of his tent. Unigate had been approached regarding the provision of refreshments.

G Pickles, J Goman Smith, and R Whitehorn volunteered to act as checkers to ensure that people complete their number of laps. It was agreed that people willing to help should meet at 9am on the day of the walk so that a rota can be organised.

Ideal Homes were willing to sponsor two people (for example youngest and oldest person taking part) with a prize T Shirt.

PUBLIC INQUIRY - CENTRAL AREA

A report of the Public Inquiry on the Central Area was published in the May Newsletter, which was circulated to those at the meeting prior to its distribution around the park.

Five committee members had attended for at least part of the inquiry which lasted for four days.

Russ Cole made a statement on behalf of the Residents' Association. He was questioned regarding what constituted membership of the Residents' Association, and it was felt by some of the committee that an element of credibility was lost under the present scheme of 'open' membership.

It was felt that the Inspector would likely grant planning permission for the 26,000sq.ft. supermarket in preference to the 32,000sq.ft. scheme. The Chairman stated that Councillor R Mayhew also held these beliefs and hoped that the decision would be made within the next 3-5 months.

R Compton, who has had previous experience of local inquiries, told the committee that the decision of the Inspector was generally a fair one. It was thought that the 32,000sq.ft. supermarket would be judged by the Inspector to be too large, would detract trade from other areas of Woking, and be contrary to the Surrey Structure Plan which is against the development of large out of town centres/hypermarket complexes.

The Chairman said that Trafalgar House in stressing the attractiveness of the large supermarket (by quoting statistics to show that it would attract people from a 20 mile radius) had argued against themselves.

PUBLIC INQUIRY - CENTRAL AREA continued

Trafalgar House did not say whether they would be in favour of developing the 26,000sq.ft. supermarket, if they received planning permission, although it was understood that two retail companys may be interested in the site.

In conclusion the committee felt that they had gained useful experience from the inquiry, which could be put to use in the future planning of Goldsworth Park.

DANCE 13 JUNE 1981

R Eagleson reported that the Woking Football Club had been booked for the dance on 13th June 1981. Of 150 tickets to be printed 70 tickets were expected to be sold to the Dutch Students who will be spending the same weekend in Woking. R Eagleson hoped to have the tickets available to committee members shortly, although he was having problems with the printing.

The suggestion of a July Barn Dance was made and R Eagleson volunteered to investigate the matter further,

MEMBERS COMMENTS, QUERIES ETC.

CHANGE OF VENUE FOR COMMITTEE MEETINGS

R Eagleson suggested the use of the Exhibition Hall again as an alternative venue for the Residents' Association Committee meetings. The premises, adequate to accommodate a small group of people, were considered to be more suitable than the Lakeview Community Centre, and R Eagleson offered to take the matter further with Ideal Homes.

AGENDA ITEMS

Members were reminded that any items to be discussed at the June committee meeting are to be with Hilary Lidstone by Friday 29th May 1981.

AUTUMN CLUB

At a previous committee meeting it was agreed to make a small presentation to Mrs Aldridge, who had moved to Leicester, to thank her for the work she had undertaken in starting and running the Autumn Club. R Compton said he had been unable to contact her prior to her move but would find out when she would be available, to make the presentation.

SPONSORED SWIM

The idea put forward for a sponsored swim to raise funds was discussed again, with R Compton supplying more details ie. an evening event at Woking Centre Pool scheduled for the late autumn. Widely publicised and with sponsoring on the day it was agreed that R Compton should research into the matter further. Mr M Englefield, one of the residents of Goldsworth Park, had offered to organise the event, and specifically R Compton is to investigate the cost, including swimming pool hire.

CHILDRENS PLAY AREAS

M Elms reported that one irate resident had contacted her regarding a number of children who had been turned away from the Ridsdale Road play area.

The matter was discussed and it was agreed that should the resident wish to take the matter further they should contact Ideal Homes themselves. The Chairman pointed out that all play areas were decided before building commenced and therefore if people bought houses next to play areas they would have to put up with the noise etc. and their bad luck if they do not like it.

GOLDSWORTH PARK RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 9 JUNE 1981 AT THE EXHIBITION CENTRE

Present:- J Goman Smith
R Cole
R M Brown
R Whitehorn
R Eagleson
G Pickles
H Lidstone

Apologies:- R Compton

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming those present.

The Minutes of the meeting held on 12 May 1981 were approved.

RESIGNATION OF R COLE

With regret the committee accepted the resignation of R Cole, who had served on the committee for four years and had to retire due to additional commitments.

His work had been greatly appreciated especially recently in connection with the Central Area proposals. R Eagleson proposed a vote of thanks which was seconded by R Whitehorn.

TOC H

J Goman Smith had nothing to report on TOC H.

DANCE 13 JUNE 1981

R Eagleson will be catering for 150 people and was concerned about lack of support for the dance. It was hoped that 40 tickets would be sold to the Dutch Students.

JULY DANCE

Due to lack of support for the June dance arrangements for a July Barn Dance have not been made.

SPONSORED WALK

Members were reminded that sponsorship forms and money should be with the Treasurer as soon as possible.

SPONSORED SWIM

With the cost of hiring the swimming pool at £75-£100 it was unlikely that the Residents Association could attract sufficient major sponsorship to enable the swimming effort to go ahead. The matter will be discussed with the organiser of the event.

FUTURE OF THE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

J Goman Smith was concerned about the reduced attendance at committee meetings and general lack of support for the residents association. Various members had left to develop other interests/assist in other areas, and the running of the association was left to the 'faithful' few.

The Residents Association had fulfilled an important function in the early development of the estate. With the development of the Central Area and Community Centre some years ahead the

FUTURE OF THE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION continued

future of the association was discussed, with the Chairman suggesting the Residents Association maintain a low profile.

The general lack of enthusiasm on the estate was felt to be a result of loss of community spirit and the economic climate with people tending to keep themselves to themselves. The lack of central community facilities was a contributory factor.

R. Eaglson stressed the importance of keeping the Residents Association going.

USE OF EXHIBITION CENTRE BY THE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

The committee have the use of the Exhibition Centre until September after which special arrangements for obtaining the key will have to be made.

The possibility of the Residents Association using the Exhibition Centre as a temporary community centre when Ideal Homes have no further use for the building is to be investigated by J. Goman Smith.

FUTURE DATES OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The meeting on 14th July will take place, but the August meeting is cancelled. The next meeting after that will be in September.

GOLDSWORTH PARK RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 8 SEPTEMBER 1981 AT THE EXHIBITION CENTRE

Present:- J Goman Smith
R Eagleson
G Pickles
A Wilson
R Compton
C Kiew
H Lidstone

Attending:- Chris McFee
Bob Hawkins
Jan Blake

Apologies:- R Whitehorn
R Brown
N Greene
D Morris

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming those present including four new people, Mr Wilson who is to become treasurer, Chris McFee and Bob Hawkins from Oakfield, and Jan Blake from Attwood Road.

The Minutes of the meeting held on 9 June 1981 were approved.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR A.G.M. 6th NOVEMBER 1981

INVITATIONS

It was agreed to invite the following people:-

The three Borough Councillors and two County Councillors representing the area,
Heads of Schools,
Deputy Area Education Officer,
Local Developers - Willett Homes, Ideal Homes, Charles Church Ltd,
Weyfarer (Alder Valley) Bus Co.,
Woking Chamber of Commerce,
Rev. Andy Knowles,
Woking Police,
Local Press,

It was also suggested to invite someone from the Probation Service and the Basingstoke Canal Society. Chris Kiew volunteered to investigate the latter.

DRAFT AGENDA - will include the following items:-

- (1) Approval of previous minutes - 100 copies
- (2) Reports from Committees:-
 - (a) Chairman's Report - including community centre report
 - (b) Hon. President's Report
 - (c) Social Report
 - (d) Treasurer's Report - Approval of Accounts
 - (e) Newsletter Editor's Report
 - (f) Allotment Society's Report

(3) ELECTION OF COMMITTEE

The election of the committee and officers including the post of Hon. President will take place, nomination papers having been circulated with the October Newsletter.

PHASE REPRESENTATIVES

As Goldsworth Park is expanding considerably it was felt that the Residents Association should change to a system of electing representatives for each phase/section of the estate. These people would concentrate on promoting activities within their phase, and would report back to Goldsworth Park Residents Association, each phase sending one representative to committee meetings.

Oakfield had recently formed their own residents committee and Bob Hawkins volunteered to donate half of its profits from fundraising towards the Central Area Community Centre.

Bob Hawkins is to write an article in the October Newsletter about how he considers the G.P.R.A. could be re-vitalised.

(4) FUTURE OF GOLDSWORTH PARK

John Burton from Ideal Homes will be invited to give a resume about Goldsworth Park, covering such subjects as Central Area Development, play areas, footpaths etc.

John Burton would like to receive advance notice of likely subjects to be discussed.

(5) QUESTION TIME

Time will be allocated for questions from the floor.

(6) ANY OTHER BUSINESS

At the end of the meeting informal discussion over coffee will take place. It is hoped that Doreen Morris and Muriel Elms will organise this.

COMMUNITY CENTRE DRAW AND DANCE

R Eagleson reported that Woking Football Club premises had been booked for Saturday 3rd October dance. Tickets are priced £1.00 each with ploughman's suppers sold separately at 50p extra, on a strictly first come first served basis.

During the evening the draw, likely to take a half hour, will take place commencing 9.30 - 10.00pm.

G Pickles hoped a profit would be made on draw tickets and extended the time for return of tickets to 26.9.81.

FIREWORKS DISPLAY

R Eagleson has ordered the fireworks which will be delivered soon. The display will take place on the south side of the lake, with a similar format to last year including the 'Guy' Competition.

R Eagleson will arrange for a supply of refreshments, and Graham Pickles will organise the insurance, and St Hohn's Ambulance cover.

Organisation re-helpers and stewards will be discussed at the next meeting.

SPONSORED WALK

The Sponsored walk has raised £200 to date, and members were reminded that outstanding money should be with the Treasurer as soon as possible.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

ALLOTMENT'S SOCIETY

R Compton reported that Mr and Mrs Goddard had won the Best Front Garden Competition, and had donated £15 to the Goldsworth Park Residents Association.

Oakfield was judged the best phase, and the prize trees will be planted in the spring.

The Allotment Society's A.G.M. and Cheese and Wine Party will be held on 29th January 1982.

SPONSORED SWIM

It was agreed to hold this event in abeyance.

USE OF EXHIBITION CENTRE BY G.P.R.A.

R Eagleson is to investigate the matter since Ideal Homes have not made a firm decision re-future use of Exhibition Centre by Goldsworth Park Residents Association.

TREES ON ESTATE

T Blake reported that a local resident had taken out an injunction to stop trees, forming a screen between Inglewood Road & Attwood Road, from being 'topped', and she wondered what could be done to get tree surgery re-instated, and was advised to either contact J Burton New Ideal Homes or the local councillor.

GOLDSWORTH PARK RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13 OCTOBER 1981 AT THE EXHIBITION CENTRE

Present:- J Goman Smith
R Compton
G Pickles
N Greene
B Hawkins
H Lidstone

Apologies:- R Eagleson

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming those present.

The Minutes of the meeting held on 8th September were approved.

RESIGNATION OF R. WHITEHORN

The Chairman reported that he had received the resignation of R Whitehorn who did not wish to serve on the Committee in the forthcoming year.

DANCE

The Community Draw and Dance on 13th October, poorly attended by residents on Goldsworth Park, was supported by Committee Members and their friends. A loss of £50-£60 (excluding draw) was encountered. The Draw made a Profit of £350 for the Community Centre with the majority of the prizewinners living on the park. In view of the lack of response for dances it is unlikely the Residents' Association will hold such a social function next year.

FIREWORKS

Preparations for the Fireworks Display are in hand. It was decided that the Display would take place regardless of the weather rather than cancelling it at short notice. Bob Hawkins is printing 1200 firework tickets, 400 of which are presently available for distribution to committee members. Tickets are 30p each with children 0-2years free entry.

REPORT ON CENTRAL AREA

It was reported that M.P. Mr Cranley Onslow had been making enquiries regarding the forthcoming decision from the Department of the Environment on the Central Area, which should be made shortly.

The Health Authority have been pressing their case for a Health Centre on Goldsworth Park, which they would like to start building next April.

FORTHCOMING A.G.M.

The Chairman had received three acceptances from Heads of Schools who are able to attend the A.G.M.

J Lowe representing Willet Homes is unable to attend.

The following committee members/officers volunteered themselves for re-election:-

B Hawkins	-	Vice Chairman
R Brown	-	Treasurer
G Pickles	-	Newsletter Editor
R Compton	-	Representing Allotments Society
H Lidstone	-	Secretary
C Kew		
N Greene		

J Goman Smith was undecided whether to stand as Chairman for a further year, but the committee members present unanimously agreed he should. He said he would take their wishes into consideration when making his decision.

Further people will be encouraged to assist in the work of the Residents' Association, at the A.G.M.

NEWSLETTER REPORT

N Greene suggested that Jenny Pickles should receive an honorary payment for the hard work she has undertaken in typing the Newsletter. It was agreed that a present costing £25 would be suitable.

To date there is a loss of £100 in printing the Newsletter but this excluded £200 profit made on the October issue.

The Newsletter in the forthcoming year is likely to make a good profit from advertizing, which will help increase funds for the Community Centre.

FUNDRAISING FOR COMMUNITY CENTRE

The matter of fundraising for the Community Centre project was discussed in the knowledge that such events this year had been poorly supported.

R Compton suggested a 'Jumble Sale to end all Jumble Sales' should take place in the spring. Cost of hiring suitable premises eg. Knaphill Community Centre would be £38. This matter is to be discussed further at the next Committee Meeting after the A.G.M..

A re-launch for funds should take place when the results of the Public Inquiry are known, and a planned programme set up.

J Goman Smith reminded the committee of the grant procedure whereby Woking Borough Council will give £1 for every £1 raised by voluntary contribution. A booklet 'Directory of Grant Making Trusts' is published annually by Charities Aid Fund.

FUNDRAISING FOR COMMUNITY CENTRE continued

Although a temporary structure would cost less to build (£12 per sq.ft.) it was thought likely that the council would only give planning permission for a permanent building.

TREASURER'S REPORT

G pickles reported that the G.P.R.A. funds stand as follows:-

Community Centre Fund	Deposit Account	£4300
G.P.R.A.	Deposit Account	£ 800
G.P.R.A.	Current Account	£ 300
	Total	£5400

Money raised 1980/81:-

Interest	£ 538
Newsletter	£ 100-
Community Centre Draw	£ 350
Sponsored Walk	£ 200
Total	£9 88

However the Dances lost £50 over the year, any profit in March and June was lost on October Dance.

FUTURE OF G.P.R.A.

J Goman Smith had received some ideas about the future of the Residents' Association, but this will depend on the public response at the A.G.M.

GOLDSWORTH PARK RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st OCTOBER 1981.

<u>1979/1980.</u>				<u>1980/1981</u>			
<u>£</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>P.</u>
				<u>INCOME</u>			
587	00						
107	50						
23	10						
20	80						
25	00						
254	55					47	75
249	85					137	18
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				<u>Less Expenditure</u>			
		446	23			71	34
		20	00			25	00
		14	00			119	50
		5	00			43	80
		6	34			-	
		11	50			-	
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515	25					395	36
752	55					773	65
274	85					1002	26
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526	87					(228)	(61)

BALANCE SHEET AS AT THE 31ST.OCTOBER 1981.

Balance of General Fund	<u>£</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>P</u>	Balance of Stock from	<u>£</u>	<u>P</u>
1st November 1980	1757	56			Goldsworth Gala.	162	19
Surplus for Year	(228)	(61)			Payment in advance for		
					firework display	216	00
Balance of General Fund			1528	95	Firework Equipment		
31st October 1981					Stock	10	98
Balance of Community Centre					Advertising Debtors	132	00
Fund 1st.Nov.1980	3284	85			Bank Balance	5294	89
Surplus for Year	1002	26					
Balance of Community			4287	11			
Centre Fund 1st.Nov.1980.							
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R.G.W.Pickles.
Honorary Treasurer.

GOLDSWORTH PARK RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at 8'oclock on 6th November 1981, at the St. John's Memorial Hall.

Present:-	Mr. J. Goman-Smith	-	Chairman
	Mr. R. Hawkins	-	Vice-Chairman
	Mr. G. Pickles/A. Wilson	-	Treasurer
	Mr. G. Pickles	-	Newsletter Editor
	Mr. R. Eagleson	-	President
	Mr. R. Compton	-	Chairman Allotments Society
	Mrs.H. Lidstone	-	Minutes Secretary
	Cllr P. Briley	-	Local Councillors
	Cllr R. Mayhew	-
	Cllr A. White	-	S.cc. Councillors
	Cllr E. Biddolph	-
	Mr. J. Burton	-	New Ideal Homes

and some 80 members of the Association.

Introduction

The Chairman opened the meeting, welcoming those present.

Minutes of the previous meeting (1981) AGM

The Chairman gave a brief resumé of the minutes which were not available at the meeting. Persons were invited to request individual copies which would be available at a later date.

He stated that the minutes were a true record of the proceedings.

2. CHAIRMANS REPORT - Mr. J. Goman-Smith

The Committee had striven to represent the residents in four main areas:-

- (i) On a Day to Day Basis - helping with individual problems
- (ii) Representing Views of Residents to Public Bodies - at local Public Inquiry into Central Area submitted residents views on type of shopping facilities required
- (iii) Fundraising for Community Centre - A sponsored walk and Community Centre Draw were held to raise money
- (iv) Engendering Community Spirit - to provide a better enviroment to live in

The Chairman thanked the Committee members and helpers for their hard work, especially G. Pickles and his wife for setting up and organising the Newsletter, R. Cole was thanked for his four years of service on the committee.

The Chairman concluded that this had been a difficult year, owing to the shortage of people willing to help the association.

The effectiveness of the Goldsworth Park Residents Association was greatly handicapped without the positive help and support of Residents.

Without such help the future activities of the Association would be severely curtailed, including fundraising for the Community Centre.

2(b) PRESIDENTS REPORT - R. Eagleson

The President endorsed the Chairmans Report. He said that lack of support for the social events was very disappointing. He especially thanked the few people that undertook the sponsored walk under terrible weather conditions.

He said the committee needed more help and suggested this may be achieved by individual people being responsible for small sections of the estate.

He said the committee had reduced in numbers since the conception of the Residents Association, many ex-members were serving the community in other ways.

In conclusion he thanked the committee members for their hard work.

2(c) SOCIAL ACTIVITIES REPORT - R. Eagleson

There had been few social activities this year due to lack of response.

2(d) TREASURERS REPORT - G. Pickles

The Treasurer presented the accounts which were made available to those present.

No subscriptions were taken this year as a result of a decision made in order to ease the Newsletter production.

The Newsletter, with attendant advertising, was the main fundraiser. Advertising Revenue amounted to £500, covering costs of Newsletter.

The Treasurer anticipated that next year the Newsletter would make a profit.

Any profits made on dances were absorbed by the loss made on the October Community Centre Draw. The Draw raised £350, and Sponsored Walk £200.

The 1980 AGM showed heavy costs due to printing of 'Constitution' which was accounted for in last years accounts, and not likely to repeat itself in 1981.

The accounts were put forward for acceptance.

Proposed - Pat Briley
Seconded - Bob Hawkins

2(e) NEWSLETTER EDITOR'S REPORT - G. Pickles

G. Pickles assumed responsibility for the organisation of the newsletter, after last years AGM.

He said that with a team of helpers, including assistance from Woking and District Scouts Council, 3500 copies had been distributed throughout the estate, monthly.

He said at present the Newsletter was self financing, and it was hoped that this would offset the loss of revenue from no subscription collection.

He said the Newsletter Advertising with its wide distribution provided good value for money. An open invitation was given for residents and organisations on the park to contribute articles. There had been no difficulty in supply of articles for the Newsletter. The Editor concluded by thanking everyone connected with the production and distribution of the Newsletter.

2(f) ALLOTMENT SOCIETY'S REPORT - R. Compton

A strong active membership was being maintained, all plots were occupied, and there was a steady waiting list maintained.

The water supply had been extended, and other site improvements had taken place, a new rotary mower was purchased to replace existing lawn mower.

There had been a slight security problem, the renewal of locks, and issue of new keys to current members should reduce problems.

It had been a good year with various competitions and social functions. Mr. Goddard won the Goldsworth Park 'Best Individual Front Garden' Competition, while Cakfield was judged the best phase.

Mr. Compton thanked all the Councillors, Council Officials and the Allotments Committee for their support for the Society.

2(g) ELECTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS - J. Goman-Smith

Future of Residents Association

Before proceeding with the election of Committee members the Chairman said that if insufficient people came forward to help, there would no longer be a viable Residents Association.

The Chairman had received various ideas from members on the park regarding the way forward for the Association.

R. Hawkins outlined his ideas for the future of the Residents Association. He saw the main, short term objective as raising money for the Community Centre, this could be achieved through each phase or section having its own separate fundraising committee, which would send one representative to the main Governing Body of the Residents Association.

Each phase would be responsible for its own fundraising, and would donate a percentage of profits towards the Community Centre.

The Chairman stressed that the Residents Association was there to serve the residents, and urged more people to help in its organisation. Any interested person could leave their name and address.

Some people thought that the Association had lost its identity when it replaced phase representative idea with Central Committee.

Cllr. Mayhew suggested the organisation of activity areas within the estate.

The Chairman said he was willing to accept any constructional ideas from residents.

Election of Committee Members

Only sufficient nominations were received.

Nominations were invited from the 'floor' All those nominated were elected as follows:-

Chairman	J. Goman-Smith
Vice Chairman	R. Hawkins
Treasurer	A. Wilson
Secretary	H. Lidstone
Newsletter Editor	G. Pickles
Committee Members	R. Compton, N. Greene, C. Kew
Hon President	R. Eagleson

3. DEVELOPERS REPORT BY IDEAL HOMES - J. Burton

(i) Central Area - Superstore

Mr. Burton thanked the Residents Association for their assistance at the Appeal Enquiry into the Central Area. 94% of the residents were in favour of a 26,000 sq.ft. supermarket.

The Developer were awaiting the Decision from the Department of the Environment.

Cllr. Briley asked if the developer could outline an approximate time scale of events.

J. Burton said that if the decision was favourable Trafalgar House Holding hoped to submit detailed plans to Woking Borough Council in April 1982. Anticipating a decision in September 82' building could commence January 83'.

Mr. Burton was asked whether he had a suitable tenant for the Supermarket. He said Sainsbury's were interested in developing a 32,000 sq.ft. store, but did not know whether they would consider a smaller site. If Trafalgar House Holdings had to find a new tenant this could delay proceedings.

The Health Authority were also anxious to build The Health Centre.

(ii) Last year saw the introduction of a new developer to the park, Charles Church who is building adjacent to the lake.

It had not been a good year for the developers.

A varied mix of housing was built ranging from small terraced units to detached units.

Ideal Homes will be undertaking landscaping work around the lake, commencing in the winter. An unfortunate accident, involving the drowning of a child, had taken place on the lake, and parents were urged to ensure children kept away from the lake.

4. OPEN FORUM

A number of topics were discussed. These included:-

(i) COMMUNITY CENTRE

If the Community Centre is to be built the Chairman stressed the importance of the Residents acting together to achieve this. In the present economic climate without the support of the Residents it was unlikely a Community Centre would be built in the near future.

In answer to a residents question whether the land would be protected from being re-developed, if a community centre was not built, Mr. J. Burton said that the developer was bound by outline planning permission and legal agreements with Woking Borough Council to allocate an area of land for community use. This need not specifically be a Community Centre. Cllr. Mayhew endorsed the Councils reluctance to release the land for any other purposes.

Local Councillors and several residents thought that Trafalgar House Holdings had a 'moral' obligation to devote some of their profits towards developing a Community Centre. Whilst being sympathetic to the Residents Association cause Mr. Burton could not commit his Company to any definite level of commitment.

A suggestion was made that residents should become share holders in the Community Centre, purchasing shares when they bought their house. This was thought to be too onerous a commitment.

A short term solution would be to build a temporary structure. If permitted this would provide a focal centre from which funds could be raised for a permanent structure and was within grasp of the funds raised by the G.P.R.A. The earliest date for work to commence on Community Centre would be May 1983.

(ii) REPORT BY CLLR. A.G. WHITE

Cllr. White raised two main issues on 1) Local Education and 2) The Goldsworth Relief Road.

Education

He said that Beaufort School was oversubscribed, pupils from the first school were accommodated in the Middle school by joint arrangement with the headmistresses.

Winston Churchill School was oversubscribed. He explained that each school has its catchment area from which pupils are drawn, and this is applied by the education authority when a school reaches its maximum intake.

Residents were also reminded of the introduction of parental choice under 1980 Education Act, and the various appeal procedures open to them, should their child be refused entry to a school of their choice.

During the last year there had been an increase in the number of children staying at school for higher education.

Goldsworth Relief Road

Cllr. White outlined the scheme, and invited public comment. He confirmed a residents question that Arthurs Bridge Road would be severed by the new road link.

(iii) REPORT BY CLLR. P. BRILEY-Woking Borough Council

He reported that Woking B.C. had published a consultative document 'Woking Borough District Plan Brief' - on which public comments were invited. This will replace District Plan to deal with local issues in accordance with Structure Plan Policies. He confirmed it would have no direct implications for Goldsworth Park.

Local concern was expressed over possible development of Brookwood Lye and Brookwood Hospital which would have implications for Goldsworth Park.

(iv) WOKING ASSOCIATION OF VOLUNTARY SERVICES

Mrs Flowright appealed for additional help with transport and looking after elderly people who come to luncheon club recently set up at Wayside Community Centre.

Mrs Skitt, Head Teacher of Beaufort County Middle School drew attention to problems of children having to use muddy roads to get to school. Complaints had also been received about contractors lorries travelling too fast. Mr Burton said he would advise the contractors to drive more slowly, and suggested people contact Ideal Homes After Sales office to complain about muddy footpaths.

Complaints had been received about motor vehicles driving over footpaths. Depending on the extent of the nuisance the Council might be willing to erect bollards to prevent this.

R. Hawkins wanted to know who was to develop the land South of Oakfield. Mr Burton said parcels of land owned by Trafalgar House Holdings were allocated to Woking Borough Council. With the present restrictions on Council House Building, by Central Government he did not know precisely how the land would be developed.

A number of questions relating to Planning Matters were raised. Residents were concerned about the amount of unauthorised development on the Park. R. Mayhew reminded residents that Planning Permission was required for any development on the Park, and that the Council did not condone unauthorised development.

The Council were investigating ways of speeding up the Planning process and would be publishing a series of guidelines to help residents understand the type of development that would be permissible in planning terms.

Complaints were received about the state of rutting of roads and surplus gravel, on Phase 3 - Silversmiths.

The Chairman closed the Meeting at 10p.m.