

# **Leopardstown Heights Residents Association**

Minutes of Annual General Meeting held on Thursday 21st June 2007 @ 8.00pm  
in Lamb Doyle's Public House

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**Present:** As per attached list.

The Chairman thanked local Councillors for their support and Lette McCarthy for all her invaluable assistance in the last year and indeed over many years

## **Chairman's Report**

The Chairman welcomed all those present, thanked all committee members for their tireless dedication and set out a brief report on the achievements of the various committees during the year.

The Chairman thanked Lamb Doyle's for the use of their facilities.

## **Secretary's Report**

The Secretary read out the Minutes of the Last AGM.

## **Accounts**

The Treasurer Dave O'Gorman presented the Accounts to the meeting.

Concern was expressed from the floor regarding the fact that the Association still had a large Capital account which had not been spent. The following points were made through the Chair;

- There were specific procedures required to access the fund.
- The committees had insufficient support in the past from the Council to apply funds effectively
- With all the development carried out on the edges of the estate over the years any major spend would in all likelihood have been wasted
- Without interest from the fund the association would not have been able to support itself financially especially in relation to the numerous planning appeals.
- It is only now in 2007 that a situation is arising where use could effectively be made of the funds.

A suggestion was made that a system of Direct Debit or Standing Order be tried in relation to 2008's subscription.

These matters will fall to future committees.

## **Greens Committee Report presented by Tom Lundon**

This year's Clean Up day was a huge success with residents appearing from everywhere to trim verges & remove weeds from kerbsides. With the assistance of Dermot Kerins the areas professional painter Transition year students got involved in the painting of common walls in the area.

A huge debt of gratitude was expressed to the students who were represented at the meeting by Jennifer Nolan who outlined the effort put in by the students since the New Year.

The Association entered the Tidy Districts contest for 2007. It is hoped that the goodwill harnessed in this years Clean Up from the residents & students could be harnessed in a very constructive way going forward.

DLRCOCO were most impressed with the effort put in by all the residents & students. Work is to commence very soon on the additional pathways thru the Green and on the MUGA near the Tennis Courts. The Council estimated that some €200,000 would be spent over the next 3 years

Matters going forward included;

- Possibility of setting up a Junior Committee to encourage even more involvement from Transition year students.
- Parking of cars on the Green while undesirable was felt by some to be the lesser of two evils while Rat Running remained a problem
- Tidy District inspection would take place in July/August and some additional work may be required before then.

The tremendous and clearly visible effort put in by the Greens committee was acknowledged with much appreciation by all those present.

### **Sports & Social**

Santa in the guise of Fintan O'Curry was a great success.

Stanley Dunne encouraged those present to support the Soccer Finals which were due to be played on Sunday. Details were available on the web site.

The Committee note d with deep regret the sudden passing of Noel Coard a long time supporter of the Associations work and one of the first residents in Leopardstown Heights.

### **Roads**

**Marbleworks** – The appeal against this development was with An Bord Pleanala with a decision due on the 28th June.

An Bord Pleanala subsequently issued their decision on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July which roundly condemned the development.

**Rocklands** (Leopardstown Rise, an Aulburn development) – There was no news to report on this matter.

**Murphystown Parallel Road (MPR)** - The council's report was issued last September and work has commenced along the Ballyogan Road. Developments will be watched closely by the committee.

### **Rat Running & The Way**

The temporary closure of The Way brought to the Council's attention the realisation that measures of some sort were required in the future to counteract the obvious dangers to the residents of Rat Running along the Lawn, Green & Way.

Indeed it was reassuring that reference to the need to address this problem was mentioned in the council's report on the MPR.

Concerns were made from the floor regarding possible additional lighting and dangerous bends within the estate.

These matters will be followed up by future committees.

### **A.O.B.**

#### **Committee Members**

Dave O'Gorman continued on as Treasurer.

John Ryder offered to go forward as Secretary in light of no "takers" from the floor.

The departure of Brendan Toolan as Chairman was not filled at the meeting.

It is hoped that a solution can be found when the committee restarts in September.

The floor acknowledged with gratitude the efforts of all the committees and in particular the work of the outgoing Chairman, Brendan Toolan.

## Main Committee Meeting of the Residents Association

Held at Lamb Doyle's Public House on Thursday 22nd June 2006 @ 8.00pm.

### Attendees

<b>Surname</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Signature</b>
Toolan	Brendan	Chairman	<u>Present</u>
Ryder	John	Secretary	<u>Present</u>
Bijl	Monica	Treasurer	<u>Present</u>
Boyle	Stephen	Greens	<u>Present</u>
Byrne	Robert	Greens	<u>Present</u>
Doyle	Fiona	Sports & Social	<u>Present</u>
Dunne	Stanley	Sports & Social	<u>Present</u>
Irwin	Helen	Greens	<u>Present</u>
Lundon	Tom	Greens	<u>Present</u>
McKinley	Margaret	Roads	<u>Present</u>
Nolan	Susan	Sports & Social	<u>Present</u>
O'Gorman	David	Roads	<u>Present</u>
Ryan	Liam	Sports & Social	<u>Present</u>
Talbot	Tom	Roads	<u>Present</u>
Uí Riain	Máirin	Sports & Social	<u>Present</u>

### Invited Guests

Mairead Corrigan	Fianna Fail Councillor
Lette McCarthy	Labour Councillor
Olivia Mitchell	Fins Gael TD