

VPERA Meeting 15/04/25

Held at 45 Combe Avenue 7.30pm

Apologies

Virginia Clements

Alex Wheeler

Jackie Duckworth

Rebecca Franklin

Present

Laura Cade

Kathleen Hehir

Emily Gunsell

Gill Fairbanks

Hannah Mugenyi

Lisa Turner

Election of Officers

- Committee to elect chair, secretary & treasurer
 - o 4 members were absent so officers will be appointed at the next meeting
 - o Changing names on the bank account is very difficult so it was suggested that we should shut the current account and open a new one. **GF** to research nationwide account

Finances

- Money in/ out
 - o £0.98 left in account at end of year
 - o **VC** to apply for Council grant
 - o Funds can be raised at social events

Community Events

- Easter event – Monday 21st @2pm
 - o Set up from 12:45 – hide eggs, gazebo & games out
 - o Paper eggs hidden for children, can swap for choc once they have found all their eggs. **HM** to buy easter eggs including some suitable for those with allergies
 - o Hot drinks and biscuits for adults. Squash & paper cups. **HM** to check paper cups
 - o Music & games if weather is good
 - o London Play to run a wooden egg & spoon trail after the hunt & survey parents

- Summer event - Sat 12th July

- Morris Men have been contacted
- Idea to have village fete style stalls
- **GF** to make prints to sell
- Discussion around music, possibility of open mic or cover band
- London Play
 - Interested in working with us to facilitate kids playing out, attending Easter Egg hunt to meet us and see if there is interest

Estate Management Updates

- Waste disposal issues
 - Mulalley responsible for fly tipping outside caretakers (They have been contracted by the council to replace kitchens & bathrooms.) **LC** to follow up
 - Bins still out of the chamber. **GF** to take pictures and send to **LC** who will follow up
 - **LC** to follow up with Carey Gay about more green waste provision
 - Green bins with tags on need taking out to road to be picked up by black bin lorry
 - **LC** to ask again if someone from waste management can visit to discuss ongoing issues
- Westcombe Court
 - Some small improvements – gate is closed more often and sweeping in communal areas seems to have increased
- Garages
 - Discussion about the garages. They remain an ongoing issue
- Other work done/ work needed
 - Dangerous rendering falling off end wall has now been replaced

Gardening/ Outdoor Areas

- Easter weekend gardening days
 - Fri & Sat, meeting at 11 near the store
- Other
 - Possible tree fungus to be reported
 - Apple trees are getting damaged. Impossible to protect apple trees fully but the one worse effected will be moved to a more suitable location

Communications

- Repair issues report form – no issues have been reported so far
- Thanks to Emma Banks for creating useful information flyers
- **GF** to contact Courtauld Institute to find out about using archive photos

AOB

Date of next meeting

13th May, 7:30 @ 86 Combe Avenue