DRAFT MINUTES OF GCRA COMMITTEE MEETING Rev 1

Wednesday, 1st April 2026

19.00 hrs at Carol Notman's

1. Review of Invoice Payment Status
    a. Treasurers reported that roughly £5,000 was still outstanding.
        i. 5 residents had confirmed they would pay around 10th April
        ii. 28 had not paid yet
        iii. Written reminders were ready and would be sent out on 1st April
        iv. Thereafter would be chased monthly. **LB, JN**
    b. It was reported that 4/4 Liddesdale Place was up for sale. LB suggested it was time the Register of Flats was updated as several entries were no longer valid. This was agreed but not decided whether this should be done through the Newsletter or a mailing of a questionnaire to be completed by each flat.
2. Gardening
    a. CD and CAN reported they had gone round the estate with Hall of our garden contractors, Greenscape and he had agreed we should have an agreed written contract drawn up of what basic work was expected for the price we were currently paying and how long that was valid for. This should include basic tidying up of beds where tenants were not doing so themselves, rather than having some grassed over to the wall and some not. CD & CAN to draw this up together with Hall. **CD, CAN**
    b. The price for the additional work for the bamboo area at the end of the Liddesdale Car Park of £700 was agreed and work should go ahead as soon as possible. It was suggested we should have before and after photos of this work to show what is achieved. **CAN**
    c. Hall had suggested we should have a 3-year plan of what we want to achieve with costs. This was agreed and could be taken to AGM in November. **Greenscape, CD, CAN**

3. Parking
    a. Agreed the Invoices from Irvine Surfacing dated 19/5/21 and 11/4/22 were not clear as to whether the painting of the parking space numbers was included in the pricing and whether the 10 year guarantee covered this. DB reported she had spoken on the phone with Irvine Surfacing who claimed they had done the painting work for free when they did the re-surfacing and this was not covered by the guarantee. We would probably have to take them to court to prove this.
    b. The former GCRA Secretary, who raised the issue of repainting the numbers as she felt people were parking in her area thinking it was visitor parking as the numbers were not clear, insists it was not done for free and that the guarantee should cover this.
    c. The numbering is not clear in those spaces that have cobbles. Of the total of 122 resident and 16 visitor spaces, 138 spaces, 52 were on cobbled areas.

d. CAN suggested we could re-paint them ourselves if we got one or two volunteers to help. NT to look into materials that could be used. **CAN, NK**
e. It was suggested that instead of a V for the visitor spaces making it evident what they were, they should be numbered E1 & E2 in Ettrickdale and L1 -L14 in Liddesdale.
f. LB suggested the charity, Under One Roof could help clarify regulations relating to car parking on estates. NK to approach them. **NK**
g. It was suggested that policing of people using car spaces without permission should be done by the residents themselves for their own spaces.
h. For the visitor spaces the discussion of whether we should install bollards did not reach a decision.
i. CAN confirmed that if sufficient further numbers of residents wanted bollards in their own spaces, she would order another batch, but it would need to be at least 10 to make it worthwhile. **CAN**

4. Planning & Budget
    a. This should cover a 3-year plan of what we wish to do to improve the amenities of our Estate with costs that we could put to the AGM to show we are forward looking and to justify any request for an increase in subscriptions.
    b. This should include some things that could be achieved with this year to show we are working to a plan.
    c. Examples: gardening plan, benches, bicycle sheds, painting of car park lines and numbers, etc
    d. We should all look into possibilities. **Everyone**

5. Date of next AGM
    a. If we wanted to use the Navy Club, the possible dates were 10th, 17th and 24th November 2026
    b. It was agreed we should book the 17th November 2026. **CAN, CD**

6. Summer Residents Get together
    a. Suggested it should be a family event in June. Suggested we should have 2 dates allowing a fall back if weather not good. **?**

7. Website fee payment
    a. NT requested confirmation that arrangements were in place so that the previous website manager could be paid what he had been charged for the current website fees. This was in place.
8. Passwords
    a. DB given approval to change password on GCRA Secretary's files, removing previous Secretary from access.

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