

GLENOGLE COURT RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION
COMMITTEE MEETING TUESDAY 27 MAY 2025
6/3 GLENOGLE ROAD, EH3 5HW, 7.00pm

Attendees:

Carol Fraser (CF) – Chairperson
Behnam Balali (BB)– Treasurer
Sam Rennie (SR) – Secretary
Brenda Pearson (BP)
Carole Notman (CN)
Colin Dempster (CD)

As we were unable to secure a venue without a fee, so no association members were invited on this occasion.

19:08	Meeting started	Handouts prepared for topics of discussion.
19:14	Window and frame cleaning for flood defence walls quote £160	BB – Maybe cheaper for every 6 months or 3 times per year. SR to f/up with cleaner <i>(28/05 – emailed)</i>
19:17	Greenscape (*G) gardeners have advised an increase in fees by 30% to cater for “extra” maintenance items. They already increase their fees 5% each year and their contract (though undated) included these “extra items”. CD – need to get other quotes at a like for like basis CF – will need to get approval from members if changing gardener reminding we pay for shrubs not plants. We also need to discuss with Hall what we expect for his fee. BB - If we have a cheaper contractor we can spend more on other maintenance and improvements. We can go with majority of votes after giving *G notice.	SR to send email to members about gardeners, , depending on outcome of discussion with Greenscape and other quotes obtained. SR to email *G to wait until end of June for further instructions. BB –to get a reference from previous estate he lived at for their gardener SR – look through emails reference for *G for another estate 6-7rs ago BB to find email <i>(28/05 – unable to locate)</i> Failing above CN to contact JDS for like for like updated quote
19:57	BP - Trailer outside in visitor car space in Liddesdale Place	Parking spaces are not in the business merit of the Association. Another resident still getting renovations done
20:00	Date for gathering this year	First Saturday in September: 6/09/2025. Will also add to next couple of newsletters <i>(28/05 - SR advised newsletter group)</i>
20:01	Payment for benches and tables getting maintained (£300)	CF - The Gate was £80 and previously offering an extra £50 for the other items was unreasonable. No quotes were since sourced. We need to agree as a committee and not by an individual member. £30 or below does not require this. The benches, etc are regularly used by residents, and some were donated by a resident. We need several quotes and an invoice. If a reasonable amount, we can go ahead. BB & CN – will confer as work has been completed. CN to obtain approval of the committee and provide the treasurer an invoice.

20:15	BB - There should be consultation between all members of the committee. We need to support each other.	One member should not have direct communications with a contractor of which other members of the committee are not aware. All emails to be sent/forwarded to all committee members, not just title holders. WhatsApp group already being used.
20:20	Bamboo area not planted	*G has been paid minus the £265 for planting of shrubs. SR to draft email - come back with your suggestions and whether you need the money up front – refer to quote.
20:30	Only the Secretary is to contact contractors	If a another committee member contacts a contractor, all other members are to be cc'd
20:40	CF - Signage	Details from Brenda to give to Behnam
20:45	CF - All members of Committee to contribute if able	
20:48	Email from resident re code of conduct and remit of committee, contractor for carpark line painting and get togethers, etc	We look after the common grounds and promote social activities - we support activities organised by members and normally organise an annual gathering once or twice a year. We don't have authority to do everything. Householders need to take responsibility for their properties and their own block. We can sometimes help with providing information to all relevant owners. Code of conduct – Facebook page: This was set up by a resident for residents and is promoted on the website. We do not manage the page and do not take responsibility. We are all entitled to use and add comments. But if committee members make comments on the page, those may not reflect view of the committee. Committee do not monitor visitor spots. Carpark line painting – The contractor applied primer and painted properly. Paint doesn't last long on stones. A committee member is trying road paint spray which might last longer on stones. SR to draft an email response to the resident.
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