# ADEL CRAG COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING WEDNESDAY 17 OCTOBER 2007 AT 7.00PM AT THE WAYLAND CROFT COMMUNAL LOUNGE, ADEL

**Present:** Francis Garbutt (Chair) and Tenants & Residents.

**Guests:** Stephen Towler (Tenant Involvement Officer), Judith Wray,

Neighbourhood Housing Manager.

#### 1.0 Welcome and Apologies

- 1.1 Francis Garbutt welcomed the guests to the General Meeting and introduced the agenda items that included a copy of the changes to the Constitution.
- 1.2 Apologies were received from Greg Mulholland MP, Cllr Barry Anderson, Justin Williamson (Woodland Officer, Parks & Countryside) and Francesca Taylor (Estate Management Officer).

## 2.0 Minutes of Annual General Meeting 2006

2.1 These were accepted as a true record.

# 3.0 Chair's Report

- 3.1 The Chair gave an interesting and informative report of events and achievements of the year and made comments about some of the issues that would not have been achieved without full support from the residents. He went on to thank all those who had helped in making it more pleasurable by keeping Adel tidy. This is something for all to be proud of.
- 3.2 Three newsletters were sent out to the tenants and residents during the year.
- 3.3 The Chair thanked all the Committee members for their support and help during the year and wished to thank Maureen Lye and June Bricklebank for their help with the distribution of the newsletters. The Chair also wished to thank Edward Buckley and Phillip Metcalfe for their help with the newsletters and for participating in the Speed Awareness Scheme that produced some interesting results. The Chair went on to thank LNWH, the Environmental Team, Cllr Barry Anderson for their support throughout the year and Stephen Towler, Tenant Involvement Officer for auditing our accounts and general support.

## 4.0 Secretary's Report

- 4.1 The Chair gave a brief summary of ACCA's work and latest achievements on behalf of the Secretary. During the year, a new feature in Wayland Approach was put in place and new step leading to Adel Mead, Long Causeway.
- 4.2 Your association created a website thanks to the Leeds Learning Network.

  This enables them to provide regular updates on various local matters affecting the Adel area.
- 4.3 The Committee lodged a objection to the Planning Department to the proposed

development of the former Eastmoor School, Tile Lane with regard to concerns about residents of Adel Wood Close having difficulty parking, as there is not sufficient space and would be asking for alternative parking spaces should the proposed plan go-ahead.

4.4 A streetlight that had been taken away caused problems for the residents in gaining access to their homes during the dark periods in the Wayland Approach area. This matter was dealt with through Cllr Barry Anderson and the streetlamp was reinstated.

## 5.0 Financial Report

5.1 Francis Garbutt presented the financial report, which was approved by the members.

#### 6.0 Election of Members of the Committee

- 6.1 The Chair announced that your Committee would now stand down as required by the Constitution. Stephen Towler then took over the Chair in order to carry out the election of the Officers and Committee for 2007/08.
- 6.2 The following were elected: Officers: Chair Francis G Garbutt; Treasurer June Bricklebank.
- 6.3 Committee members were Christina Ball, Edward Buckley, Beryl Gartside, Maureen Lye, Betty Vaughn and Phillip Metcalfe.
- 6.4 The Committee would discuss the appointment of a Secretary.

#### 7.0 Plans for the Spinney

7.1 Due to Justin Williamson being unable to attend this was postponed until a further meeting could be arranged.

#### 8.0 Streetscene - Refuse and Recycle Issues

8.1 A number of points were raised about missed refuse collections and conflicting information. The Chair confirmed that Cllr Barry Anderson would be able to answer all your questions at a special public meeting in due course.

#### 9.0 Highways and Street Lighting

9.1 The Chair explained that there were some outstanding issues that needed to be discussed with Cllr Barry Anderson. The Chair also confirmed that Cllr Barry Anderson would be arranging a visit to the area of Adel Wood Gardens as the dark nights draw in to look at the possibility of putting additional lighting in place.

#### 10.0 28 Adel Bus Service Survey Results

10.1 The Chair thanked all who participated in the survey, which raised many issues of concern. It produced evidence that 50% of the customers were not satisfied with the overall service. The Chair confirmed that after a meeting with First Bus and Cllr Barry Anderson First Bus had agreed to check on reliability, look at a system for cleanliness, assess the signs, training for drivers and introduce newer buses during 2008. The Chair pointed out if anyone has any suggestions on how they can better distribute the newspaper on the bus to avoid them being thrown on the floor please let us know. He then went on to say we shall continue to monitor the service but made it clear that we would never ever get 100% service.

#### 11.0 Raffle

11.1 Maureen Lye, Phillip Metcalfe and Lynda Garbutt all donated the raffle prizes. All proceeds towards the Adel Crag Community Association.

#### 12.0 WNWHLs Issues

- 12.1 Maureen Lye wished to thank Judith Wray for getting the grass cut and the shrubs cutback. A resident also wished to express their thanks to Judith for getting the washing-line in place.
- 12.2 A resident made comments about shrubs that need cutting back in Wayland Approach. Judith Wray confirmed that she would contact the Environmental Team to look at them.
- 12.3 A resident reported that they were having problems with the new boiler and asked if someone could come out and look at it. Judith Wray confirmed that she would take further details after the meeting to arrange for someone to call.
- 12.4 It was reported that an Apple Tree near the premises of 65 Wayland Approach needed to be cutback. Judith Wray confirmed that she would send a referral to the Environmental Team to deal with.
- 12.5 The Chair expressed views on the matter of the intercoms for the top flats in the sheltered accommodation and added that the Committee feel very passionate about this, and should be in place as soon as possible. Judith Wray confirmed that this issue is in the hands of Capital Investment awaiting a decision.
- 12.6 A resident raised an issue with regard to the possibility of a cubical shower fitted. Judith Wray referred to an Adaptation Officer but made it clear there is long waiting list.
- 12.7 A resident raised an issue with regard to kitchens and bathrooms being replaced. Judith Wray reported that the target is to be replaced by 2010 but will only if the existing ones do not meet decency.
- 12.8 Judith Wray reported that the grate outside 5 Adel Wood Close facing Tile Lane belongs to Virgin Media.
- 12.9 A resident raised an issue about a sewerage grate in need of replacing outside the property of 17 Wayland Croft. Judith Wray to raise an order.

## 13.0 AOB

- 13.1 A resident raised an issue with regard to not being able to gain access with her scooter through the kissing gate at the entrance to Bedquilts. The Chair confirmed he would contact Cllr Barry Anderson for advice.
- 13.2 The Chair reported that he had received notification from The Adel Association that a new bench seat located at the bottom of Long Causeway is to be in the YEP.
- **14.0** The Chair thanked everyone for attending and the meeting closed at 8.30pm