Minutes of the Committee Meeting of Camden Residents Association 4th Sept 2019

- 1. Present: Jeremy Labram, Janet Anderson, Nigel Pollard, Gloria Goodsell (apologies Frank B, Caroline G, Chris S)
- 2. The minutes of the previous committee meeting were approved.
- 3. Low Traffic Neighbourhood meeting with Joanna Wright 03/09.
 - a) Jeremy reported that the meeting had been very positive and he and Bob had been assured that it was intended that the LTN would be in place by the end of 2020. All the changes had to be made at the same time, so that legal costs of making road traffic changes would not be too great.

There was no doubt that the LTN would cause inconvenience, especially to younger working people and those with families and we would have to work at explaining the benefits. We briefly discussed Adam Reynolds suggestions but agreed that we needed something simpler and with a lighter touch, principally bus gates on CR. We will discuss this further at our next meeting.

Nigel was hopeful that money provided to WECA for climate emergency action might mean that Councils might be able to take over the running of the buses.

- b) It was decided to put off until the next meeting any discussion of making the existing traffic flow on CR better, versus reducing traffic volumes but this is the fundamental question
- 4. Safety along CR following the accident at Malvern Villas.

Jeremy was meeting with Council officials, Debra, Richard Samuels and Tom Davies the following morning, 5th Sept. his priorities were

- a Vehicle activated signs
- b) less misleading signage and prioritisation of traffic from SW
- c) No more bollards
- d) Getting commitment for change and resource to achieve it
- e) Debra involved
- 5. Prioritising and taking forward the nine initiatives previously agreed
 - a) Camden Rd/ Lansdown Rd Junction
 - We hope to hear more from Chris following his meeting with council officers
 - b) Councillors had suggested that Link and Rides were more likely to be provided than Park and Rides to the east of Bath
 - c) The LTN might mean that other changes to the road might be unnecessary and we should wait to see.
- 6. Janet and Gloria confirmed that they would be stepping down from the Committee this year. Possible new recruits were Steve K, Debra and F de L
- 7. Newsletter and AGM (21/11/19)

Content of the newsletter will be discussed at the next meeting, but it's focus will obviously be on the LTN.

Janet will book the hall and Jeremy will discuss the printing of the newsletter with Andrews.

8. Wild Camden

Work on the vaults and railings will hopefully take place in this financial year. Nigel expressed the hope that the access route made to enable the work might be the first step in making the area accessible for the Council to do clearing and pruning work. We will liaise with Stephen George about future projects.

9. Accounts

Nigel explained that the CRA accounts were now with Santander. (accounts attached)

10. Web Site Performance

- a) Activity highlights. Local Hero, LTN, Massive Bang, missing dog
- b) 161 subscribers, up two.

11. AOB

- a. FoBRA Meeting 19/09 Jeremy said that he could not attend and asked other committee members if they could
 - b. FoHP Fete (CG) Nigel and Gloria reported that this had been a huge success
 - c. FoHP in general. Nigel said that there were now more than 20 members, two local churches, Vineyards and Ainslie's Belvedere Residents Associations. It was decided to consider the membership of the CRA at our next meeting
 - d. Bath Alliance for Transport and the Public Realm
 Jeremy was working with this group and had set up a website for them.

12. DONMs for next year

- a. Twice monthly thereafter (10 Sep, 8 Oct, 17 Dec)
- b. AGM 21/11/19
- c. Venue for 08/10 to be decided