

## **Broomhall Park Association**

Minutes of the Committee meeting held on Monday , 9<sup>th</sup> May 2011

Meeting chaired by Margaret Mackenzie.

Present were – Linda Kirk Chair, Ruth Naish Secretary, Valerie Bond, Kirill Mackenzie and Winifred Whitehead.

A representative from Hallam University Students' Union had been invited but could not attend.

**1. Apologies for absence** were received from Becky Linsell, Teresa Richardson and Jean White.

**2. Minutes of the Committee meeting held on 8 March 2011** had been circulated but Item 4 had had to be revised in a way acceptable by the bank to allow Becky Linsell to take over as Treasurer of the Broomhall Park Association. Revised minutes of the Committee meeting held on 8 March will have to be signed at the next Committee meeting to be held on 19 July 2011.

**3. Matters arising from the minutes**

Ruth said she had been in touch with Marie May of Sheffield Hallam University who had offered to come to the Committee meeting. Ruth said she had asked her to have removed two blue litter bins overfilled with rubbish that had been left outside Broomgrove Hall of Residence for several weeks.

A lot of leaf litter on Collegiate Crescent and Wilton Place had been reported and had been removed. The work had been done in the evening when there are fewer parked cars.

**4. Appointment of Becky Linsell as BPA Treasurer**

Ruth said Becky has a copy of the minutes of the last Committee meeting with revised wording that the bank will accept for her appointment as Treasurer.

**5. Planning issues and applications**

15A Collegiate Crescent Retention of timber outbuilding for use as storage

Ruth said this is a retrospective application as the shed has been built and has been painted green. Linda reminded the Committee that it is in the grounds of a building divided into four flats and this is the reason for the planning application. If it was in the grounds of a house in single occupancy planning permission would not be needed. Ruth was asked to write to the Council and say that the BPA supported the wishes of the residents at 15A to have the shed removed.

24 Broomhall Road Demolition of existing outbuildings and erection of 5-bedroom dwelling house

Ruth said that Abbeyfield House is already occupied by 18 students and has had an extension added to it. There are two large houses on Broomhall Road (Number 1 and Number 6) in multiple occupancy. The number of students is not known but is probably considerably more than 18 in each house. Number 18 Broomhall Road is also in multiple occupancy. The residents of the flats at Oakburn Court, which is next to Abbeyfield House, often have trouble from the occupants. They are often noisy, keep very late hours, behave in an anti-social way and fail to dispose of litter. The Oakburn Court residents have sent a strong letter to the Planning Department saying they do not want accommodation for five nurses to be built in the yard of Abbeyfield House. Ruth said she had consulted Linda and had sent a strong letter opposing the application before the closing date for letters which was 3 May 2011.

26-28 Park Lane Application for the demolition of a garage and erection of a dwellinghouse with associated hard and soft landscaping

Ruth said planning permission has already been granted to build a two-bedroomed house on this site. The Planning Officer has told her that this application was to extend the footprint of the house by one metre towards Clarkehouse Road. It was decided not to oppose this small extension.

Hallamshire Residential Home 3 Broomhall Road. Application for alterations and extensions to a residential care home to create seven additional bedrooms, laundry facility, storage and staff changing facilities and enlargement of an existing terrace.

Ruth said the BPA had opposed a similar application made in October 2009 to build a considerable extension to the original house and this had been refused by the Planning Department. The owner appealed against the decision and the Planning Inspector upheld the decision to refuse permission to expand. This latest application, made in March 2011, attempted to keep the new building out of sight from Broomhall Road and Victoria Road by expanding the undercroft and creating a terrace above for the residents to use. The closing date for objections was 25 April. After consulting Linda Ruth said she had not written to oppose the application.

33 Collegiate Crescent

Ruth said this house, which is owned by Sheffield Hallam University, was again for sale and she hoped it would be bought for family occupation.

**6. Website and Newsletter.**

Valerie Bond offered to edit the Newsletter and her offer was gratefully accepted. The next Newsletter would contain an invitation to the summer picnic and Linda said all members could contribute items e.g about planning applications and Smartwater for sale

**7. Summer Picnic**

Linda said she would ask William and Celia Emery if we could have a picnic in the grounds of Park House. If a date is decided Ruth said she would try to get a barbecue arranged.

- 8. Date of the next Committee meeting**  
**8pm Tuesday, 19 July at 9 Collegiate Crescent**