



Kingsway

RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Public Meeting

25th July 2012

1. Welcome by Barry Kirby

- We have 20 people this evening and although this is a low turnout for us, we usually have a very good turnout, and the RA would like to thank everyone for their continued support and attendance at our events and meetings.

2. What has been happening since last meeting:

- School 2: Planning has now been submitted and they are asking groups who might want to run it as a free school to come forward.
- Bowling Green Consultation: People have voted for a BMX Track. Planning for the Sports Pavilion has been submitted. They have asked for 5M height, which would be in keeping with surrounding buildings.
- ASDA planning permission is looking to be moving forward.
- New Communities research report can be found on our website, this is research into how the community has grown and developed so lessons can be learned for future new developments.
- New County Council boundary has been finalised and Kingsway is part of Kingsway Grange.
- BT Infinity: We have been pushing for BT to upgrade their BT infinity service. We are able to sign up to show our community interest.
- Big Lunch: We were very pleased with our Big Lunch this year, even with poor weather we had a good festival feel with a good turnout.
- Kingsway a village in bloom: Last chance to enter this evening. There is an ipad as a prize. Costs nothing to enter.
- Community Garden. This has been donated by QUVL for 12 months. They have done the paths and fencing. We would now like to ask the community to help us plant it. Ideally we would like to use it for the prize giving area for the Kingsway a village in Bloom competition.
- No police here tonight as they are on Olympic duties. The Police cover we have at the moment is what we will have post Olympics. We ask people to be aware of our level of policing and if we don't feel it is enough, then we can raise our concerns.
- Speeding: Following a model in Coopers Edge, we are interested in creating a community speed trapping group; this would be a way for us as a community to assess what the speed is of the cars on the estate. We would not be able to prosecute on it but we would be able to monitor and then use it to ask The Police to target and enforce in areas we see as trouble spots/times.
- Police and Crime Commissioner: This person would be responsible for the police budgeting etc. The voting is in November. Do we as a community want to question the candidates before the elections?



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3. David Talbot Editor of Quedgeley News

- He took over as editor in March.
- It is a volunteer publication and is delivered to 7500 houses in Kingsway and Quedgeley. All money made via advertising goes back into the community via Quedgeley Community Trust.
- There is a survey which can be done online at www.quedgeleynews.com until 31/7 prize of a £20 Tesco voucher.
- Quedgeley News is looking for more volunteers, distributors, writers, would especially like articles from people on Kingsway on their hobbies or on things happening in Kingsway.
- Contact David Talbot: editor@quedgeleynews.com - 07867 978531
- We would like to Thank Quedgeley News for their support of the RA, they helped fund us right from the start.

4. Andy Smith. QUVL.

- Community Centre. Only thing holding it up is the planning office at the City Council. It will sit this side of the road between the school and the pub'. Andy showed us the planning drawings. A contractor is lined up. If they start in September they would be completed in June 2013.
- School 2 build will start 2nd week of August. Turf cutting ceremony and then the builders will start. It will be 2 form intake. Various groups are bidding to take it on as an academy due to open Sept 2013. It will be located on the back road out of Kingsway. Turn left off this road when you go out of the village past Tesco.
NOTE: The Residents Association is not backing any particular bidding group
- Don't know when the next phase of the local centre will come on phase. Robert Hitchins controls that.
- Have been working to try and get some of the open spaces adopted. Notices have been given to the Council that some places are ready: Manor Farm meadow area and play area, and Valley Gardens play area, basketball courts and tennis courts, one of the balancing pond by the eastern boundary (by railway line), Daniels Meadow. Northern woodland (furthest north before you get to Copeland Park). Member raised an issue about brambles, where a fence used to be, on the way to Copeland Park. Andy confirmed that that part is the Council's land. QUVL maintain a 1 metre strip and past that it is the Council's. Severn Trent have a letter from the Council, so they will adopt the ponds so Severn Trent will adopt the drains and then the roads can be adopted by Highways.
- Woodvale will not have double yellow lines before it is adopted because they were not on the original plans. They could be applied for once the road has adopted through different channels. QUVL would like to get the roads adopted ASAP. The school will have yellow lines and school safety zone markings.
- Roundabout: The approved scheme for adoption is a grassed roundabout. Once it is adopted a licence can be applied for, to do something with it.
- Naas Lane link road: ASDA are unlikely to start before spring, so QUVL are going to try to get it adopted before then so it could be opened, and then ASDA will communicate to Highways when they build.
- Pavilion entrance will have to be created before the adoption of the Naas Lane road.
- Phase 3 shops low fenced are next to shops should be another 9 small units to build.



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We would like to thank Andy for his attendance at our meetings and keeping us informed.

5. AGM November 2012. We would like to ask people to self nominate to committee please drop Barry a line. Barry announced he will not be standing for chair next year.
6. Next few months
 - Kingsway a village in Bloom
 - PCC Husting? 24th October @ 8pm
 - Halloween event in October
 - AGM in November

AOB: Neighbourhood Watch: Someone on Woodvale is interested in being a rep'. Barry will try and connect her with them.

Yellow danger of crime signs: We would prefer Neighbourhood Watch signs. Andy pointed out they would have to be taken down for adoption.

Meeting closed 8.15pm

Kingsway Village Blog: <http://www.kingsway-villagers.co.uk/>