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Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 15th January 2014

Present: Gordon Chrumka, James Marsden, Roddy Martine (Chair), John Riley, Kathryn Tomlinson.

In attendance: Sarah Wilson, Charles White

1/ Apologies: James Campbell, Dr Aamer Khan, Frans Kooy, Andrew Logue, Ian MacMillan, William Mackie (Treasurer), Andrew Nisbet, Mel & Karen Shewan,

2/ Approval of Previous Minutes
The Minutes of the PVOA Meeting held on 27th November were approved.

3/ Update of Actions from Sarah Wilson, Charles White Factors

The fire damage at 4/14 Powderhall Rigg

Repair work and stair painting is completed after the set-back of a boiler leak. Communal carpeting is to be replaced in February. Front door to be painted.

26/02/14 Sarah to keep Committee informed.

Overflow / Gas Outlet Pipes Plan for Road/Brae and Rigg

Charles White has completed pipe/electricity outlet plans for external common areas of the blocks of Powderhall Road. The preparation of plans for the Brae and Rigg - something that should have been provided by the Developer - is ongoing.

These plans will hopefully identify which outlets belong to whom, and where they run within the buildings. Gordon is to include them on the Web Site information.

26/02/14 Sarah to update at next meeting.

Common Areas Re-decoration

Properties on the Road and Brae have now been redecorated. Work is continuing on The Rigg. 26/02/14 Sarah to update PVOA at next meeting.

Abandoned Bikes and Bike Storage

Inspection and clearance of the Bike Stores at 2 The Brae and 6 The Brae has been successful. 7 and 8 The Brae is to follow.

26/02/14 progress report at next meeting.

Bin Stores and Rubbish Chutes

Owners and Residents are again reminded that **NO LARGE BOXES** or **SOILED ITEMS** should be disposed of down the rubbish chutes as this causes blockage.

In future, the Cleaning Contractors will charge for unblocking the chutes. Sarah has placed laminated notices asking owners and tenants to be considerate on all of the Bin Chute doors, but several have already been removed!!!!

Residents are reminded that in future the Refuse Collectors will NOT remove discarded Christmas Trees from the Bin Stores. In future, these should be left on the roadside for collection.

OWNERS and Tenants are asked to be CONSIDERATE as abuse of the Rubbish chutes impacts upon all of us.

Lift Maintenance

Some of the lifts require to be upgraded to meet recently introduced Health & Safety standards. Sarah to acquire quotes for discussion at next PVOA meeting.

26/02/14 to be

discussed

Overflows at Rigg

It has been suggested by an owner at 11. The Rigg that to avoid future exterior staining, the overflows be extended on the gable end of the block. Since this does not impact on the other areas within Powderhall Village, Sarah will write to the relevant owners in this regard. 26/02/14 Sarah to action

4/ Residents Parking and Powderhall Road Adoption

Roddy has received a letter from Derek J. Wilson, Technical Director at Taylor Wimpey (10/12/13)advising him that the PVOA and Charles White will be copied in on Road Adoption progress in this regard.

26/02/14

Ongoing

5/ Upgrading of Web Site

Gordon still has a certain amount of testing to complete but will shortly be sending out links to the Committee. He is re-styling the Powderhall Village greyhound logo, and the colours were agreed. It is hoped that the remodelled Powerhall Village Web Site will be up and operational in early February A Members Area, with Powderhall Village Owners' password, is to be introduced for confidential information. A link with the Powderhall Village Facebook page will be set up.

26/02/14 To be concluded at next meeting.

Water of Leith Flood Prevention Scheme

Joanna has shown Sarah Wilson areas of concern which Sarah will bring up at a meeting with Jonathan James, Professional Officer; Maintenance (Bridges) at City of Edinburgh Council.

26/02/14 to be discussed at next meeting

Dog Fouling

There have been no further complaints in this regard, but Powderhall residents are asked to report any incidents they might witness.

Garden Committee

Sarah is to have a meeting with Brian Hunter and obtain quotes for the replacement of dead trees in the village. Frans is to meet with Fiona Sloane to discuss and action improvements that can be made to the planting.

6/ Social Event

A social event for Powderhall Residents is to take place at the restaurant Pierre

Victoire, 18 Eyre Place on Sunday 26th January from 2pm - 5pm. A free hot and cold buffet will be provided (with an upstairs pay bar). Children are welcome. Details have been posted on front doors, Stair Noticeboards, and the PVOA website and it is hoped that residents will take the opportunity to attend.

THOSE PLANNING TO ATTEND MUST, HOWEVER. TELEPHONE THE RESTAURANT -

0131 556 0006 before Sunday, 19th January -

8/ Next Committee Meeting:

TO CONFIRM BEFOREHAND!!!

The next Committee meeting will take place on Wednesday 26th February at 4/6 Powderhall Rigg (Roddy's Flat) at 7.30pm.