



# Stoughton Community Association

including the Stoughton Community Centre Project (SCCP)  
and the Stoughton Action Group (STAG)

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## **Minutes of SCA General Committee meeting of 12<sup>th</sup> April 2006** **Dinah's House 20:00 - 21.15 hours**

### *In attendance:*

<i>Cllr Pauline Searle</i>	<i>(PS)</i>	<i>Chair</i>
<i>Maureen Bell</i>	<i>(MB)</i>	<i>Committee member.</i>
<i>Dinah Bisdee</i>	<i>(DB)</i>	<i>Committee member. Secretary for the meeting</i>
<i>Malcolm Kimber</i>	<i>(MK)</i>	<i>Hon. Treasurer</i>
<i>Cllr Jayne Marks</i>	<i>(JM)</i>	<i>Committee member. Rep for GBC.</i>
<i>PCSO Sheila Willis</i>	<i>(SW)</i>	<i>Guest</i>
<i>Andy Coumbe</i>	<i>(AC)</i>	<i>Guest</i>

### *Apologies were made for:*

<i>Ian Godfrey</i>	<i>(IG)</i>	<i>Hon. Secretary</i>
<i>Fiona White</i>	<i>(FW)</i>	<i>Committee member. Rep for SCC</i>
<i>Paul Kassell</i>	<i>(PK)</i>	<i>Committee member.</i>
<i>Cllr Olaf Kolassa</i>	<i>(OK)</i>	<i>Committee member.</i>
<i>Peter Gunner</i>	<i>(PG)</i>	<i>Committee member.</i>

### **1. Previous Minutes**

The minutes of the last meeting were not available so were not reviewed or signed. Deferred till next meeting.

### **2. The AGM on 24th April.**

Pauline has booked and paid for the room at Emmanuel Church. It was agreed to have the room laid out with rows of seats, not tables; and that tea/coffee/soft drinks would be available for purchase. A raffle is to be organised for fundraising purposes, Wendy May is to be asked to take charge of this. Action Pauline (?)

Nominations were supposed to have been in by Monday 10th. Maureen reported that so far the following had been received: the existing committee, plus 6 others from Queen Elizabeth Park (Glen Herbert, Michael Andrews, Michael Hanson, Linda Shefford, Gavin Critchley, Robin Clinch). Fiona and Jayne are statutory Reps.

### **3. Police report.**

Sheila and Andy joined the meeting for about 45 minutes during which time they reported:

- further trouble with vandalism/ anti social behaviour in Hopkin Close
- problems in the Stoughton area with cloning of credit cards especially at Shell station in Aldershot Road.
- selling of alcohol to under age people, has been checked up on in this area by Trading Standards and found not to be a major problem.
- problems on the open space area near Tylehost.
- police are to do a survey about the Community Safety Warden scheme, which is under review. Councillors will support this survey.

### **4. Hard Play area proposed for QEP green.**

Virtually no-one wants this to happen, but the planners seem determined to push it through against wishes of local people. Various alternative sites were discussed: the site between QEP and Cardwells Keep is apparently unsuitable because of wartime underground bunkers and tunnels in the area. The desire/need of local teenagers for a place to play ball games (preferably with a wall against which balls can be kicked/thrown) is recognised. Jayne Marks is proposing to organise a survey of all households in Stoughton to find out the extent of the general desire/need for such an area, versus the preference for spending the money allocated for the scheme, to some other purpose which would benefit Stoughton. It was agreed that SCA would support this survey. QEPR is also to be asked to support it. The police will also be asked to support this survey. Steve Epsom will be consulted as to the survey's contents. Dinah pointed out that it would be essential to propose some alternatives for people to react to, rather than ask people to suggest alternatives themselves.

### **Action Jayne**

**4. Community Centre.**

Maureen believes it is essential to re-do a survey of Stoughton residents, originally done several years ago, re. what activities people want to see happen at the CC. Dinah agreed to help her design this.

**Action Dinah/Maureen**

**5. Fundraising.**

Malcolm supplied a copy of the balance sheet for year ending 30th June 2005. Malcolm and Maureen pointed out the need for fundraising since although there is a credit balance on SCA's bank account, most of the money is already earmarked for specific purposes (Community centre exhibition area - £1000, rest for legal fees concerning the lease of the CC). This will be an urgent priority for the new committee after the AGM.

The business part of the meeting was concluded at about 9.15 pm.

**Acronyms**

**SCAP** – Stoughton Community Action Plan.

**SCC** – Surrey County Council.

**SCCP** – Stoughton Community Centre Project.

**AGM** – Annual General Meeting.

**GBC** – Guildford Borough Council.

Minutes prepared by Secretary of the meeting, Ian Godfrey.

Approval of these minutes was:

Proposed by .....

Seconded by .....

Approved at a meeting held at .....

On .....