WHITEHALL PARK RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting on 30th April 2009 at St Andrews Church

PART 1

Attendance: Gloria Chandra, Kay Clark, Malcolm Jack, Eva Lloyd, Sean Madigan, Caroline Oakes, Tony Wylam.

23 other Members attended.

Apologies: David Seton, Heather Eggins, Susan Lees, Tony Barnes, Catherine West. Absent: Romy Jenkins.

1. Welcome

The Chairman, Gloria Chandra welcomed members and invited guests to the meeting.

2. Election of Committee

The Chairman proposed that the nomination of Committee Members be taken *en bloc*. **It was agreed to.**

Gloria Chandra, Kay Clark, Malcolm Jack, Romy Jenkins, Eva Lloyd, Sean Madigan, Caroline Oakes, David Seton and Tony Wylam were elected, en bloc, to the Committee *nemine contradicente*.

The Chairman announced vacancies on the Committee and invited applications.

3. Chairman's Report

The Chairman laid a report on the year's activities before the Meeting.

It covered the acquisition of a WHPARA banner, the recruitment drive on membership; website development; continued liaison with the police, continued contact with Islington Council and various Planning and Environmental Committees; the July Fun Day; the December Charity Concert in aid of the Cold Weather Night Shelter at St Andrew's Church; the March Wine Tasting and the production of the Autumn 2008 Newsletter and the Spring 2009 Newsletter.

The Chairman called on Caroline Oakes to report on liaison with the police.

Caroline Oakes described the work of the Hillrise Neighbourhood Panel liaising with the police on priorities in the area. She asked anyone with special concerns to contact her.

The Chairman thanked everyone who had contributed to a highly successful year of activity for WHPARA.

4. Treasurer's Report

In the absence of the Treasurer, Malcolm Jack presented the Treasurer's Report, showing a current account balance of £6,197.69 over £6,054.38 in April 2008. Income had amounted to £912.27, outgoings to £768.96 over the financial year.

The Accounts for the year 2008/09 were approved.

5. Future Events

The Chairman highlighted the forthcoming July Fun Day and the Christmas concert in December.

6. **Any Other Business**

There being no other business, the meeting was closed at 8.25 pm.

PART 2 – OPEN PUBLIC MEETING

7. **Archway Centre Development**– Guest Speaker, Anna Woodward, Archway Town Centre Manager

Anna Woodward gave a broad-ranging presentation on Archway Development that covered:

- Governance arrangements
- Funding
- Co-operation with Transport for London/London Underground
- Liaison with business and their involvement in environmental improvement
- Community events such as switching on of Christmas lights (attracting 400 people) and open-air disco
- Planning issues
- Mixed use of space
- Safety (a recent survey suggested residents felt their environment was safer)
- Litter
- Street drinking
- Markets and move of food market to St John's Grove
- Projects including arts schemes
- Public participation in proposals on legislation.

The meeting expressed reservations on overall improvement of the Archway town environment. Specific matters raised in questions included:

- Safety
- Pavement repairs
- Dog fouling.

It was agreed that a list of local events would be supplied for the WHPARA website. The Chairman thanked Anna Woodward.

Kate Calvert spoke briefly on Better Archway Forum's activities raising matters of

- Planning inspection
- Reducing energy consumption (inviting members to form a new group).

The Chairman thanked Kate Calvert

The public meeting was closed at 9.01 pm.