

**KESTON VILLAGE
RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION**

Minutes of the
Committee Meeting held on
Tuesday the 16th of September 2025 at 7:00pm at The Fox Public House

Committee Present: Shelley Sturdy (Chair)
Peter Zieminski (Vice Chair)
Kimball Ormond (Sec)
Larry Herbert (FoKC)

In Attendance Cllr Alexa Michael

1. **Apologies** – John Algar, Gail Spencer, Hilary Ryder, Jim Woolcott & Viv Haskey
2. **Minutes of the meeting held on the 11th of June 2025** – Approved.
3. **Matters Arising** – None
4. **Financial Report** – Attached. Shelley will organise an advert for a new Treasurer.
5. **Biggin Hill** – The KVRA Monitoring Exercise is focused on incursions into the Keston Noise Sensitive Area (NSA) by helicopters. Year to date 29 complaints have been reported. The Airport's investigation into these has revealed that 19 pilots and/or operators (65% of complaints recorded) have been referred to the Airport's Safety and Noise Action Board (SANARB) as there was no apparent mitigation for their incursion across the Keston NSA. So far SANARB has issued 8 written warnings to these pilots and/or operators (42% of referrals).

Peter Zieminski, the KVRA's representative on the Biggin Hill Airport Consultative Committee (BHACC) has attended the inaugural meetings of both the Airport Residents' Noise Action Forum (ARNAF) Complaints Working Group (CWG) and the Key Performance Indicator Working Group (KPIWG). The Working Group's members have identified a number of areas of potential improvement following each of their meetings which are being progressed in order that firm recommendations can be put to the Airport for consideration. The next CWG is scheduled for Thursday the 25th of September and the KPIWG will next meet on the 9th of October.

The trial of the new revised boundary of the Keston NSA is targeted to begin on 15th October and the trial of the new approach for Runway 03 is scheduled to start in November.

We await confirmation of the date for the next ARNAF meeting which should be mid-October. The Biggin Hill Airport Consultative Group (BHACC) will meet on the 30th of October.

6. **Planning** – (a) Cllr Michael will call-in the application for 23 Oakfield Lane and said the application for Oakshore Farm had been refused.

(b) LBB have received a letter seeking pre-application consultation to build an 82 foot mobile telecommunications tower and base control station in Baston Road car park. This would be a huge construction, well above the tree line and visible to everyone enjoying the open space common ground in front of the Greyhound and Fox pubs. A similar application was made to build a similar tower in Commonsides car park but this idea has now been abandoned. KVRA consider that the car park on the south side of Croydon Road between Baston Road and West Common Road would be more suitable. It's only 150 – 200 metres further north and relatively unused.

7. **Heathfield Road** – Regarding the red faux speed table at the junction of Keston Avenue and Heathfield Road. Cllr Michael said that Angus Culverwell replied that the machinery that lays the antiskid surfacing is only occasionally available. Cllr Michael said it is not very satisfactory and has asked Mr Culverwell to 'chase-up' the matter as the work has been outstanding for many months.
8. **Fund Raising –A** Race Night will be held in the Village Hall on Friday the 19th of September. The Christmas Fair will take place in the village hall on the 22nd of November. It was suggested that a Quiz Night could be organised to help raise funds.
9. **Any other Business** – (a) Cllr Michael reported that Central Government funding to Bromley Council will be cut by £20m. (b) Larry Herbert said there had been numerous acts of fly tipping. This is probably happening while the Waldo Road Reuse and Recycling Centre is closed. Also, the Council had rebuilt the rails around pond 3. (c) Peter Zieminski said that he would co-ordinate the actions for Armistice Day at the Memorial on Heathfield Road. There are the issues of road closure, poppies and bus diversion. It would only be for an hour.

Next meeting: Committee – Monday the 3rd of November 2025 at the revised time of 7:15pm.

Distribution

Shelley Sturdy
John Algar
Hilary Ryder
Peter Zieminski
Jim Woolcott

Paul Spencer
Gail Spencer
John Wiltshire
Kimball Ormond
Larry Herbert, Chairman FoKC

Councillors

Alexa Michael
Thomas Turrell
Josh Coldspring-White

Treasurers Report 16/09/25

Bank balance as at 09/04/25	4590.67
Credits	560.00
Debits	<u>- 1535.71</u>
Bank balance as at 16/09/25	3614.96

As at	03.09.24	19.11.24	12.2.25	09.04.25	16/09/25
War Memorial Fund	1067.23	1315.25	1285.25	1285.25	1035.25
General Fund	1947.83	3788.02	3090.42	3305.42	2579.71

During this period, we paid for the flags on the lamp posts celebrating VE Day - £960 (split between the War Memorial Fund (£250) and the General Fund (£710)).

We have £935 in stall sponsorship payments in the General Fund that has been carried over from the cancelled Kest Fest. Expenditure incurred on Kest Fest was £360.29.