

- 1 A group of residents first got together in December 2004 to discuss the needs of residents and considered forming a Residents Association. A meeting did take place in October 2005 at which all residents were invited to attend and after which it was decided that the Broadway Action Group should be established covering the length of Broadway between Duffield Road and Kedleston Road including all off shoots, Darley Park Drive and Bank View Road.

Our Chairman did indicate his wish to stand down just before the Pandemic hit, but because of the circumstances he undertook to remain in post until we were all able to get back to some form of normality. Subsequently, at the last AGM both he and the Treasurer/Membership Secretary indicated their intention to stand down at the coming AGM.

- 2 In the past twelve months the Executive Committee have been working towards reorganising for the future and have developed proposals for consideration at the Annual General Meeting. These are: -

(i) Officers

[Nothing has been added to the decision of the Members Meeting (5th December 2022) which had agreed that the following proposal should go before the AGM of 2023):

That the Executive should have, in future twelve Members, including the following six officers: Chair, Treasurer, Secretary (admin functions), Publicity Officer, Membership Secretary and Legal Officer.

Chris Wynn has agreed to take on the role as Treasurer at the point at which John Russell stands down, and Jack Blackmore has agreed to take on the role of minute taker (Secretary, admin functions) beginning with the meeting on 5 December 2022.

Further discussions have taken place on the subject of the Annual Membership Fee, subsequently the meeting will be asked to agree the following: -

(ii) It is proposed that:

For most households Annual Membership fee be increased to £5 per household from Jan 2024

For residents in sheltered housing such as Catherine McAuley House and the Leylands the fee be increased to £2.50 per member.

(iii) Former Members who have not renewed for two years should be removed from the mailing list.

(There was a general agreement that it would not be appropriate to offer Membership to organisations or businesses, as opposed to residents)

3 The Annual General Meeting will take place at The Broadway Baptist Church on Wednesday 12 July 2023 at 7.30pm (doors Open 7pm)

4 The Executive Report.

The Executive has been in contact with both The School Academy and Derby City Council. We have expressed a wish to see Safety Improvements in and around the School and are still awaiting a response.

The Academy does have to produce a Travel Plan which it has to submit to the City Council and have it agreed before it can relocate to Broadway. This is one of the conditions attached to the Planning Approval.

- (a) We are keen to see steps being taken to improve the exit from the School which is shared with Broadway Pub. This is a very narrow space and bollards are continually being knocked over. We have expressed the view that the area needs some minor adjustments.
- (b) Bollards or some other method introduced to prevent drivers parking half on the grass verges where no bollards currently exist down to Broadfields Close.
- (c) Steps need to be taken to manage the reintroduction of the Drop Off and Collection Zone; parking between the School Gates on both sides of Broadway will need to be prevented to ensure the area is not gridlocked. Those of you who have lived here for some time will recall parents queueing in the Central Lane to gain access to the School Grounds; if others continue to park as they have become accustomed, traffic will not be able to pass freely along Broadway and the A6 roundabout could well lock-up.
- (d) The concerns of Highfields Residents into the safety of the access road (Beechwood Park Drive) particularly outside the School Boundary need to be taken into consideration. The developers of the Convent of Mercy wish to open up Woodview Gardens to access their new housing development. There appears to be potential to improve safety by introducing an access point via Woodview Gardens and an exit point via Beechwood Park Drive. However, this is something which needs to be considered by the Council in conjunction with the residents.

5 Clearly there are a number of issues which we would like to engage the membership with at this time of change. Please do come along and make your wishes known in relation to the future of the Action Group. Please do feel free to pass this on to your neighbours and encourage them to come along to the meeting and perhaps suggest they might like to join the Group.

6 Registered members who have an email address will receive a copy of the agenda and supporting papers by email before the meeting. Copies of these Papers will also be published and available from our website at the same time.