

**The London Borough of Bromley**  
**Neighbourhood Watch Association (BNWA)**

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting, 7.00pm Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2015**  
**Bromley Football Club, Hayes Lane, Bromley, Kent BR2 9EF**

**1. Welcome, Attendance and Approval of previous AGM minutes:**

The Chairman, Alf Kennedy, opened the meeting and welcomed everyone – there were c.34 people present, with various email apologies also received. The previous 2014 AGM Minutes were unanimously agreed.

**2. Chairman's Report:**

The Chairman very briefly summarized the achievements BNWA over the past year and the work of the Executive Committee and advised there had been some changes, with some new Members.

**3. Treasurer's Report:**

Accounts: Graham Pyefinch (Treasurer) gave a short presentation on the audited accounts, which had been sent to the Charities Commission. He added that the accounts were published in full on the BNWA website, and advised that c.£1113 had been spent over the year to 31 Dec 2014. In summary:

	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Income £	Nil	Nil
Expenditure £	1113	691
<b>Balance £</b>	<b>4205</b>	<b>5318</b>

He also thanked this year's Auditor, Graham Richardson for all his work and support. He added Graham had kindly agreed to continue his auditing role for the current year. A vote was taken on the Accounts, proposed by Terry Belcher and seconded by John Bruce. The accounts approved and agreed unanimously.

**4. Elections to Executive Committee:**

The Chairman advised all existing Officers of the Executive Committee had volunteered to stand for election / re-election as follows:

Alf Kennedy	Chairman
Graham Pyefinch	Treasurer
Aidan McCulloch	Secretary
John Bruce	Member

Clifford Longley	Member / President
Terry Belcher	Member
Chris Taylor	Member
Brian Rowland	Member
Peter Mungeam	Member
Lorraine Fawlk	Member
David House	Member

The Chairman advised there were also ex-officio Committee Members: Cllr. Tim Stevens (Chair Safer Bromley Partnership) and Ch. Insp. David Tait (Met. Police).

## **5. Survey Results:**

John Bruce reported on the on-line survey carried out recently, whose purpose was to better understand members/coordinators and what they want from BNWA. Responses:

- 95 responses from c.600 membership, which was a good response
- Age range: none under 35; 15% 35-55 and 85% over 55
- 57 male and 43 female
- 24% were members of Safer Neighbourhood Panels
- 54% were members of Residents Assns.
- 7% joined in last 12 months and 25% members for more than 10 years
- Average Watch size 85 homes v. average database Watch size 56 homes
- Wide range of reasons for joining
- 43% distribute printed matter; 57% use email, 18% rarely contact Watch
- 67% aware of AGM and 37% said AGM useful
- Low interest in social media

Key things BNWA could do?

- Better promote BNWA at local events
- Newsletter

In Summary:

- Most were older people, and used email
- Residents Assns. And Police were important supporters
- BNWA services / work were largely known and appreciated
- More to do: but we need coordinators help and involvement

## **6. Close/Thanks etc:**

The Chairman thanked everyone and closed the AGM at 7.25pm. Other presentations and discussions followed that were not part of the AGM.

**A. McCulloch, BNWA Secretary**  
**28<sup>th</sup> May 2012**