



**Brookmill Road Conservation Area Society
Online Talk and AGM
Tuesday 15th March 2022:**

Minutes of Talk held at 7pm, and AGM held at 8pm

33 people out of 48 registered attended the on-line Talk from a wide geographical area. Several people noted care about the history and evolution of districts as their motivation for attendance.

Kit Wedd, Historian and first Education Officer for the Victorian Society, spoke on '*The Development of the Victorian House and Why its Conservation Matters Today*'.

Kit has written and edited a number of books including the Victorian Society's '*Book of The Victorian House*', and a Shire book on Victorian Housebuilding, and other subjects including:

'Artists in London from Holbein to Hirst' and '*The Foundling Museum*'.

Her Talk was clear, relevant and funny, but the internet connection vanished towards the end and so plans were made to complete the talk on the following Tuesday 22nd March.

The third BRCAS AGM was held at 8pm
13 people attended

- 1 Apologies for absence: John Causer, Anne Caron-Delion, Andrew Sweeney, David Aylward, Ivo Mosley, Vern Edwards, Adrian Ingram and Verity Rowsell.
- 2 The Minutes of the inaugural meeting held on 13th May 2019 were approved, having been circulated by email.
- 3 The Chair's Report for the year of 2021 to early spring 2022 was approved by those present and is attached.
Robin Cross, member, emphasised several achievements of BRCA Society in 2 years:
 - the speed with which Brookmill Conservation Area has become a Statutory Consultee;
 - development of a deep understanding of conservation;



- defence of the significant cultural value of the area;
- contribution of tonight's talk to greater understanding of the cultural richness of the area as a document of a particular time in history. This is a shared asset;
- These are significant achievements. Chair and officers were greatly thanked.

4 The Secretary, Juliet Johnson, reported a membership of 16.

5 Financial Report: Xanthe Mosley said there is no bank account. Any expenses have been covered by donations. There is no membership fee although this may change in the future.

6 BRCA Society officers have been nominated for re-election after an initial 2 year term:

Chair	Julia Rowntree,
Secretary	Juliet Johnson
Treasurer	Xanthe Mosley

No other nominations were received by email, and these were proposed by Fred Aylward, and seconded by Anne Caron-Delion and Robin Cross. Ten people voted in favour by email.

Officers are now elected for a further two years until spring 2024.

7 AOB

7.1 Kit Wedd re-appeared on the screen at about 8.15, and was thanked warmly. She did not know her audience had vanished due to technical trouble.

7.2 Plans for next year were covered in the Chair's Report. The meeting ended at 8.30pm and the Talk was resumed the following Tuesday 22nd March.