

Minutes of the 3rd meeting of the 2025/26 Committee Held at the Grasshoppers Rugby Football Club, Syon Lane Thursday 21 August 2025, 19:00

Present:

Committee Members:

Cliff Assi (CA) Chairman

Ed Locke (EL) Membership Secretary (chaired the meeting)

Barbara Stryjak (BS) Campaign Coordinator (minute taker)

Leo Vermeulen (LV) Webmaster

Guests:

Bittu Malhi (BM) Member Judith Trounson (JT) Member

NB. Minutes to be read in conjunction with the agenda and reports previously circulated, attached to email from EL, dated 18 August 2025.

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies

Pankaj Malhi (PM)

Colin Hume (CH)

Unsa Chaudri (UC)

Tony Louki (TL)

Alan Willsher (AW)

Annalice Fulgoni (AF)

Daniel Mann (DM)

Treasurer

Crime/ASB

Ward Councillor

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Street Rep

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Member

2. Minutes of the 2nd meeting of the 2025/26 Committee held on 10 July 2025

The minutes were approved, proposed by EL, seconded by CA.

The next Committee meeting will be on 2 October 2025, minute taker will be LV, EL will chair.

3. Matters Arising (section A of report)

Actions:

All actions were completed.

Matters arising:

None

Next meeting venue:

The next meeting will be held at the Grasshoppers Rugby Football Club. EL to confirm the date with the venue.

Action: EL

Summer social event:

The Summer Social was deemed a success with about 30 OWGRA members attending. Although it was lovely to sit on the veranda of Wycombe House on a summer's evening, there was not as much socialising/mingling as when everyone was in the bar area during the Xmas Social.

Decisions taken between meetings

None.

Future of OWGRA

There has been one volunteer for one of the 5 key empty positions on the Committee (Vice-Chairman position) but he was unable to attend this meeting, but BS has informed him of the date of the next meeting (2 Oct).

It is unlikely that 3 of the 5 key positions will be filled so at the next meeting on 2 Oct we will need to start discussing how and when to suspend OWGRA.

Action: All

4. Crime and ASB (section K of report)

CH absent from the meeting.

BS informed the meeting that there had been a break-in at the Tesco petrol shop on Mon night 18 August.

BS suggested to JT that she might wish to attend the next Ward Panel meeting due to her concerns about crime and ASB in the area (especially drug dealing). BS to inform CH. Action: BS

JT mentioned the excessive noise problems from the running track at Academy Place during sports days. BS informed the meeting that the Council had not taken adequate measures to ensure that the noise levels were kept down, but had subsequently got involved with the help of Ward Councillors. Info about how to complain to the Council about excessive noise was included in a recent enewsletter to OWGRA members.

Action: PM

5. Treasurer (section C of report)

PM absent from the meeting.

The insurance renewal was approved. PM to action.

6. Membership Secretary (section D of report)

Nothing to add to the Report item.

7. Street Rep Co-ordinator (Section E of report)

Vacant position. Nothing to report.

8. Webmaster (section F of report)

LV will insert the copy for the petition to resurface the A4 cycle path, while we await photos from the relevant OWGRA member.

Action: LV

9. Communications Officer (section G of report)

Vacant position. Nothing to report.

10. Campaign Coordinator (section H of report)

Local election hustings (7 May 2026). It was agreed to organise the hustings on Fri eve 17 April 2026 at Grasshoppers. BS would confirm the date with Grasshoppers, and inform the following political parties who will probably be fielding candidates: Labour, Conservative, Liberal Democrats, Green, Reform.

The Hustings Working Party so far consists of BS, EL, David Pavett and Ian Speed. BS would contact some other OWGRA members in the next few days and organise the first meeting for Oct (possibly on-line).

11. Transport and Traffic (section I of report)

JT reported problems of parent drop-offs at Isleworth & Syon School. Engagement with the school heads had been initiated.

BS informed of a meeting taking place outside 185 Jersey Road on Wed 27 Aug at 11 am, organised by UC re speeding and speed humps along Jersey Road. This meeting would provide an opportunity to find out what LBH Transport Officers are doing about speeding in OSG ward as we have been waiting for a meeting about this problem for over a year.

BS would forward the raw data from speed surveys for Wood Lane (north) and Jersey Road and the reanalysed data for Wood Lane (north) to BM for his analysis (BS stated that mean of the 85th percentile analysis was not the right method).

Action: BS/BM

The problem of lack of a pedestrian crossing at the junction of The Grove and Osterley Road was raised, also the dangerous junction at Osterley Road and Church Road.

12. Planning (section J of report)

BM volunteered to contact local education establishments doing architecture courses to see if they might like the Tesco/Homebase 3D model.

Action: BM

13. AOB

EL informed the group that a meeting of the Friends of Parks Forum was scheduled to discuss use of glyphosate in parks (not currently being used in parks, but being used by Hounslow Highways on roads and pavements after a break of 6 years).