

## **Minutes of Friends of Brockwell Park Committee meeting March 21st 2016**

at 148 Downton Avenue London SW2 3TT (chez AG)

**Present:** Adam Steinhouse, Vice-Chair (AS); Dean Littler, Treasurer, (DL); Laura Morland, Parks Liaison (LM); Antonia Gross, Membership Secretary (AG); Edward Lavender (EL).

**Apologies:** Peter Bradley, Chair (PB); Noshir Patel, Secretary (NP); Michael Boyle, Newsletter (MB); Alice Salisbury (AS).

### **Minutes**

#### **Corrections:**

1. Treasurer's Report: the names of the 3 additional signatories on the bank accounts (Peter Bradley, Laura Morland, Antonia Gross) to be spelt out in full instead of identification by their initials, since that is a bank requirement.
2. Disabled Access: read Lucia Daniels for Sandra.

#### **Matters arising:**

AG talked to Lucy Daniels about Disability Access, but the latter was not able to attend this meeting.

The committee thanked AG for inviting it to meet at her home.

#### **Fixed Business**

##### 1. Web Design:

- a). The web design sub-committee (NP, AG, Madeleine Boomgaarden, DL, Gal) has met. There are no problems using the 'backend' database; Keith has provided extensive written explanation of its nature.
  - b). The sub-committee would like an interactive component to encourage dialogue and it is found that there will be no problem there.
  - c). The timescale for completion: end of June 2016, at the earliest.
- Action: The full committee thanked Keith for his continuing and very helpful contribution.

##### 2. Away Day:

- a). Following the online 'Doodle' consultation, the Committee decided upon May 15th.
- b). NP to be asked to book Brockwell Hall from 10am-2pm if possible; and to ascertain Internet access facility. Action: EL to e-mail NP on these points.

c). Agenda:

- Budget and financial governance
- Vision for the next year and spending provisions
- Planning for activities in the next year
- Membership: delineation of benefits to members; ideas for increasing membership. Committee expansion.
- The website.

3. Car Boot Sale organization

Discussion over who is available. Action: EL to contact LM, DL, NP, MB to confirm (EL included) availability for April 10th; with especial request to MP for help in setting up with LM.

4. Cancer Race for Life ‘Muddy Run’.

Concerns raised over marshalling. Action: EL to e-mail NP asking him to raise this point when he attends the Parks Management Team meeting on March 24th.

## **Reports**

### Vice-Chair:

1. AS wrote to Lambeth Planning about the proposed new transmission mast at 35 Trinity Rise. His letter was acknowledged, without comment.
2. AS wrote to the London mayoral candidates inviting their comments about their policies on Parks and Green Spaces. The only response came from the Green Party, and this was printed in the current Newsletter.

### Park Liaison:

1. Trees: still no clarity on care plan under new Lambeth Parks management.
2. Benches: all now fully paid up by the sponsors, but still no news on installation.
3. Yellow Rattle: this is not fully self-seeding, and needs ongoing maintenance, next in July. The cost for this work is under negotiation.

### Newsletter:

Keith printed addresses along with the FOBP logo on all the envelopes. This was very attractive visually; it also saved us much time when stuffing the envelopes. Keith has said that he will absorb the cost of the printing. Action: The Committee thanked Keith very much for this. Comment was made that in future FOBP should pay for the printing ink.

Treasurer:

1. Significant outgoings in the month: about £7,000.00 on benches; £525 interim payment to Gal for website work; £130.00 on insurance.
2. Current Account £26,500.00; 2nd Account £12,883.00
3. Action: When February Minutes amended (see Corrections 1., above) and signed off DL will submit them to the Bank, which will then accept the new signatories.

AOB:

None

Meeting closed 8.55 pm.