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**General Meeting**  
**Wednesday 16th April 2014**  
**6.00pm at the Park Office**  
**Preceded by a Park Walkabout from 4.30**

**Agenda**

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Notes of General Meeting of 19<sup>th</sup> March 2014 and Matters Arising (attached)**
- 3. 'Southwark Park 150' Update – Pat Kingwell**
- 4. Park Manager's Report – Andy Chatterton**
- 5. Bowling Club Update – Ray Buckberry**
- 6. West Lane War Memorial Issues**
- 7. King's Stairs Gardens Issues – Roger Bilder**
- 8. Planning Matters Update**
- 9. Any Other Business**
- 10. Dates of Future Meetings**

**Pat Kingwell**  
**Secretary**  
**7th April 2014**

## Notes of General Meeting of 19<sup>th</sup> March 2014

**Present:** Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Sharon Bassey; Roger Bilder; Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Jean Cunliffe; Judith Deschamps; Dave Fisher; Gary Glover; Marjorie Hill; Pat Kingwell; Gary Magold; Cllr. Wilma Nelson; Andrea Pita (London Borough of Southwark); Tracy Scales; Sue Sexton; Colin Smith; Rebecca Towers (London Borough of Southwark George Witsey

	<b>Item</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b>Apologies</b> Alison Clayburn; Colin Hartridge-Price; Stephanie Lodge; Andy Pavord (London Borough of Southwark); Lin Skinner and Amanda Squires.	
<b>2.</b>	<b>Notes of General Meeting of 19th February 2014</b> The notes were agreed as a true record.	
<b>2.1</b>	<b>Matters Arising</b>	
<b>2.1.1</b>	<b>Southwark Park Sports Centre</b> Tim Clee had informed us by e-mail that the designs for the centre will incorporate a pathway from Hawkstone Gate to the land returning to the body of the park.	
<b>2.1.2</b>	<b>Cleaner, Greener Safer Programme Update</b> Anood confirmed that the Riverside Ward councillors have agreed to find the money for the Southwark Park children's playground water feature.	
<b>2.1.3</b>	<b>Southwark Park – Car Parking Review</b> Cllr. Barrie Hargrove sent an email confirming that options are being prepared for next financial year's parking programme. He will be in a better position to confirm with us by mid-March whether Southwark Park will be included.	
<b>2.1.4</b>	<b>Bird Feeders near café in Southwark Park</b> Sharon Bassey has found out about squirrel-proof units and will advise Andy.	
<b>3.</b>	<b>Old Nursery Master Plan Update</b> Rebecca Towers, Head of Parks, gave an update on the Master Plan. Rebecca reminded the meeting that the site has been designated as a Queen Elizabeth Field in Trust which gives strong planning protection. The Parks objectives remain to achieve a realistic improvement to café, toilets and offices as well as public use, and that all possible implications of other schemes such as the Seven Islands, the Sports Centre and Canada Water links be taken into account. In the discussion a number of comments/concerns were made about: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The widening of the original brief to include a new art gallery option</li> <li>• Potential delays in completing the Plan and any subsequent works</li> <li>• Extent of consultation needed</li> <li>• Future timeframe</li> </ul> It was agreed that Rebecca would call together a working group by June which would include representatives from FOSP.	<b>Rebecca Towers</b>
<b>4.</b>	<b>Filming on Southwark Park Bandstand</b> Andy Pavord, Southwark Council Film Officer, advised by email that the company making the Freddie Mercury Story have yet to confirm their request to use Southwark Park. Andy will update if they do.	
<b>5.</b>	<b>'Southwark Park 150'</b> Pat circulated the latest draft of the Programme of Events which is close to being finalised. It was agreed to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 28<sup>th</sup> April Anniversary Day – ask Simon Hughes if he could attend the tree planting ceremony on the south-western boundary</li> <li>• 13<sup>th</sup> May - try to add a Jabez West anniversary activity</li> <li>• 21<sup>st</sup> June – add the annual Southwark Council Friends of Parks Conference</li> </ul>	<b>Pat Kingwell</b>
<b>6.</b>	<b>Park Manager's Report</b> Andy Chatterton reported:	

<b>6.1</b>	<b>Southwark Park Trees – Former Social Club 386 Southwark Park Road</b> The Parks Tree Officer has put tree reduction works for the encroaching trees at the rear of the building on the April schedule, but this could be subject to change.	
<b>6.2</b>	<b>Southwark Park – Playground Water Feature</b> An order will be placed in April, but we have been advised that it will take 6-8 weeks following receipt of the purchase order number, before the work can commence. We will now investigate the cost of the splash pad resurfacing, following confirmation by Councillor Anood Al-Samerai of some CGS funding.	
<b>6.3</b>	<b>Southwark Park – Bowling Green Portable Building</b> The portable shed has been ordered and it should be delivered within three weeks. The concrete base will be built as soon as possible, in order to ensure that the building can be erected as soon as it arrives.	
<b>6.4</b>	<b>Southwark Park - Benches and Litter Bins</b> Additional benches and litter bins are being installed, following a previous request.	
<b>6.5</b>	<b>Southwark Park – Community Notice Board</b> Browse Bion will be visiting the park within the next couple of weeks to discuss signage provision and the condition of the notice board will be brought to their attention during the meeting.	
<b>6.6</b>	<b>Southwark Park – Carriageway Drive</b> A site meeting will take place with the Repairs & Maintenance Manager as soon as possible, in order to review the condition of the footways and to arrange for the gulleys to be cleaned out.	
<b>6.7</b>	<b>King’s Stairs Gardens - Storm Damage</b> The railings in front of the BOSCO Centre have now been replaced.	
<b>6.8</b>	<b>West Lane War Memorial</b> The majority of the borders have now been replanted by Lynne Olding, Jake Cater-Bassett and a representative from Southwark Cleaning and they will be mulched by the end of next week.	
<b>7.</b>	<b>Bowling Club Update</b> Colin reported there would be a meeting with Parks on Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March.	
<b>8.</b>	<b>West Lane War Memorial</b> Wilma reported that she had spoken to the café owner about the bread baskets on the memorial garden wall and the issue seems to have been resolved.	
<b>9.</b>	<b>King’s Stairs Garden Issues</b> Roger said that the daffodil planting looks very good. He reported that the application to Community Council for funds to hold the Teddy Bears Picnic had not been successful.	
<b>10.</b>	<b>Planning Matters Update</b> Gary Magold alerted the meeting to an application to develop flats at Millstream House on the boundary of Southwark Park. Agreed to find out more.	<b>Pat Kingwell</b>
<b>11.</b>	<b>Any Other Business</b>	
<b>11.1</b>	<b>Really Rotherhithe</b> Roger and others mentioned that there are plans for summer activities in the Rotherhithe area aimed at bringing the community together. Mark Parker, the main organiser, had invited FOSP to a meeting on 8 <sup>th</sup> April and it was agreed Gary Glover would attend if possible.	<b>Gary Glover</b>
<b>12.</b>	<b>Dates of Future Meetings 2014 - All 6.00pm</b> Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> April at The Park Office Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May at <b>The Bowls Club – Ken Worpole talk on Urban Parks</b> Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June at The Park Office Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July at <b>The Bowls Club – David Kynaston talk on Bobby Abel</b>	