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General Meeting

21st November 2012 6.00pm at

The Clubroom, Rear of St. Peters Church, 72 Paradise Street, SE16

Agenda

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Notes of General Meeting of 17th October 2012 and Matters Arising (attached)**
- 3. Sports Centre Update – Tim Clee**
- 4. Scout House Development - Simon Benton Rydon Construction Ltd. (unconfirmed)**
- 5. Park Manager's Report – Andy Chatterton LBS**
- 6. King's Stairs Gardens Lighting**
- 7. King's Stairs Gardens Issues**
- 8. Cleaner Greener Safer Applications Update**
- 9. Planning Matters – updates if any**
- 10. Bowling Club Update**
- 11. Gallery Update**
- 12. Treasurer's Report**
- 13. Any Other Business**
- 14. Dates of Future Meetings**

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**Notes of Friends of Southwark Park General Meeting
 held on 17th October 2012 at
 The Park Office, Southwark Park**

In attendance:

Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Jean Cunliffe; Michael Daniels; Judith Deschamps; Ivy Douglas; Dave Fisher; Gary Glover; Marjorie Hill; Katie Kelly; Simon Kenward; Pat Kingwell; K. Levene; Gary Magold; Caroline Richards; T. Richards; Jim Saunders; Tracey Scales; Colin Smith; Amanda Squires; Susan Vaughan; George Witsey.

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Roger Bilder; William Cameron; Alison Clayburn; Colin Hartridge-Price; Sue Sexton-Figgins;	
2.	Notes of Annual General Meeting and General Meeting of 21st September 2011 The notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising	
2.1.1	Distance Markers It was agreed that Andy Chatterton would look into the practicalities of installing markers in Southwark Park to assist runners.	Andy Chatterton
2.1.2.	Tennis Court Refurbishment It was agreed to make an application to Southwark Council's Cleaner, Greener Safer programme and to ensure Parkside Tenants Association is made aware of the proposal.	Pat Kingwell Gary Glover
2.1.3.	Sports Centre Gary Glover read out a briefing note from Tim Clee of Southwark Environmental Services and it was agreed to ask Tim to come to the November meeting to update on progress.	Pat Kingwell
2.1.4	Former Lodge Lower Road Planting The meeting urged Parks to implement the planting to maintain the integrity of the boundary.	Andy Chatterton
2.1.5	Mayor of London Trees Pat Kingwell reported that Rachel Jackson, Southwark Council's Arboricultural Officer, had indicated that Parks will be moving our proposal forward.	
2.1.6	Father Nick's Plaque Andy Chatterton reported that the missing plaque had been found.	
3.	Former Nursery Report Back on Meeting with Southwark Council Pat Kingwell reported back on the meeting, the main outcome of which is the suggestion by Parks that a Master Plan for the site needs to be in place as a sound basis for future improvement and funding applications. It was agreed to make a bid to	Pat Kingwell

	Southwark Council's Cleaner, Greener Safer programme for monies to employ suitably qualified and experienced consultants.	
4.	<p>Unauthorised Access Gate – Yellow House</p> <p>Pat Kingwell reported that he had received an e-mail from Christopher Cook of Southwark Parks indicating that the Council's legal department was putting together the paper work. He had also received an informative e-mail from Robert Wennberg of The Yellow House which not only seemed to suggest that the access gate is authorised, but also that he had not yet been approached by Southwark Council about it. It was agreed to pass on Mr. Wennberg's e-mail to Christopher Cook and Dennis Sangweme of Enforcement to hopefully reach an agreed conclusion on the matter .</p>	Pat Kingwell Christopher Cook
5.	<p>Park Manager's Report <u>Southwark Park</u></p> <p><u>Bowling Green Maintenance</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The end of season maintenance commenced on 3rd October and it was successfully completed on 10th October. All of the specified operations were undertaken and representatives from the bowls club were kept informed of the progress on a regular basis. • Monthly meetings between Council Officers and representatives from the bowls club have now been arranged following concerns raised at the previous Friends meeting. However the bowlers feel that apart from attending the initial meeting on 19th October at 2pm, it will only be necessary to hold meetings from February to October, rather than throughout the winter months. <p><u>Bowling Green – Pavilion Roof</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PDC Limited have advised on 27th September that there will be a delivery time of 8 weeks for the delivery of the materials. The work will commence as soon as possible from thereon. <p><u>Bowling Green – Artificial Rink</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dales Sports Surfaces reviewed the condition of the artificial rink on 25th September and they have provided their operational recommendations with costs. DSS will be authorized to undertake the work, as soon as the account has been set up with our finance section and funding has been approved. <p><u>Coronation Tree</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Browse Bion have advised that they will probably be able to produce the A5 plaque in time for the visit of the Earl of Wessex, but the timescales to do so are extremely tight. • The railings are currently being repainted by the Community Pay Back Team. <p><u>The Scout House Redevelopment</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A meeting took place earlier on today with Rydon Construction Limited to look at proposals for a compound area and scaffold licence. Simon Benton or a colleague would be happy to attend a meeting at a later date, once details of the licence request have been received. The Friends will be copied into correspondence as and when relevant. <p><u>Tunnel 2 Towers</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organisers will arrive on site @ 5am and then support / volunteers will start to arrive from 6am and the park will open as usual by 7-30am. Temporary toilet blocks will be parked around parts of the bandstand, in order to prevent damage to grass areas. There will be 30 volunteers on the day. <p><u>Fireworks Display</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The goal posts will be dismantled on 5th November and re-erected the next day. Some sections of knee rail fencing will also be removed near the 	

	<p>Hawkstone Road car park and additional lighting will be provided if necessary.</p> <p><u>Parking Issues</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A review of parking controls in Parks is due to commence sometime in the near future and updates will be provided at future meetings. <p><u>Old Nursery Site</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The area will be reviewed with Jon Best – Ecology Officer on 19th October and then a team of operatives employed by QSL who have been undertaking refurbishment work in the cemeteries, will be engaged to tidy up the site over a period of 2.5 days, commencing on 22nd October. <p><u>King’s Stairs Gardens</u></p> <p><u>Lighting Issues</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The capital bid has not been approved for the current financial year, therefore it has been suggested that we review lighting in KSG in order to determine the exact amount of columns required for replacement. The Senior Lighting Engineer has provided a breakdown of costs in three phases with the overall cost being £316,110-60. <p><u>Thames Path</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Highways have confirmed the missing finials will definitely be replaced prior to the visit of the Earl of Wessex. <p><u>Trees</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Arboricultural Officer has advised that a hollow Poplar tree near the Bosco Centre and the church will be removed in November as it is hazardous. <p><u>QEII Funding Applications</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applications have been made for the London Legacy Fund and the Inclusion Fund, within the agreed timescales / deadlines. <p><u>Cycle Path</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Repairs & Maintenance Team will undertake some remedial work to the path by the BT junction box, prior to the visit of the Earl of Wessex. 	
6.	Planning Matters Update Scout House - it was agreed to invite Simon Benton of Rydon Construction Limited to our next meeting to brief us on the Scout House proposals.	Pat Kingwell
7.	King’s Stairs Gardens Lighting Regarding the Park Manager’s report (5. Above) a discussion followed and it was strongly suggested that an inexpensive and ‘quick win’ solution would be for the bulbs to be changed from orange to white and that downlighters similar to those on the river front be installed.	
8.	King’s Stairs Gardens Issues None raised	
9.	Bowling Club Update Colin Smith reported that the club had won the league competition. Congratulations were offered and it was agreed that the trophy be brought to the next meeting.	Colin Smith
10.	Gallery Update None given but a discussion followed on the former lido fountain. The meeting again agreed it would like to see the current ugly fencing lowered in order to show off the fountain to its best advantage.	Andy Chatterton
11.	Treasurer’s Report Gary Magold reported that he was in the process of registering as the new Treasurer with the bank. Marjorie reported that the account is in funds.	
12.	Any Other Business	
12.1	Lake Fountain	

	Katie Kelly asked about the low performance of the fountain.	
12.2	Seats Amanda Squires drew attention to the need for more seats in the park.	
12.3	Banner The promotional banner is now ready and was on display. Thanks to Amanda Squires for organising it.	
12.4	Park Notice Boards Michael Daniels drew attention to the untidiness of some of the boards and also irregularity of FOSP information. Andy agreed to look into it.	Andy Chatterton
12.5	Ivy on Plane Trees near Cafe K. Levene asked if the ivy on the planes was damaging the trees. It was agreed to ask Rachel Jackson, the Arboricultural Officer, for the pros and cons.	Pat Kingwell
12.6	Former Social Club 386 Southwark Park Road George Witsey asked about progress of works on site. It was agreed to contact developer to find out.	Pat Kingwell
12.7	Remembrance Sunday 11th November 2012 Gary Magold reminded the meeting that the annual service will be held at West Lane War Memorial 10.45am	
12.8	Bermondsey Carnival 2013 Bermondsey Beat have requested that the event be held in Southwark Park on 13 th July 2013. It was agreed to write to Southwark Council supporting that date.	Pat Kingwell
13.	Dates of Future Meetings Dates of future General meetings were agreed: Wednesday 21 st November 2012 – 6.00pm at St. Peter’s Church Clubroom, 72 Paradise Street Wednesday 16 th January 2013 - 6.00pm at The Park Office.	