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**General Meeting
Wednesday 26th April 2017
4pm Tour & Review of Southwark Park
6.00pm at the Park Office, Southwark Park**

Agenda

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Notes of General Meeting of 15th March 2017**
- 3. Matters Arising (attachment 1)**
- 4. Park Manager's Report**
- 5. Key Projects Update – (attachment 2)**
- 6. Bowling Club Update**
- 7. West Lane Memorial Garden Issues**
- 8. King's Stairs Gardens Issues**
- 9. King George's Field Issues**
- 10. Planning Matters Update - (attachment 3)**
- 11. Any Other Business**
- 12. Dates of Future Meetings**
- 13. Closed Items**

Attachment 1

Notes of Friends of Southwark Park General Meeting Held on Wednesday 15th March 2017

Present: Gary Glover (Chairman); Sallie Rickerby (Secretary); Jean Cunliffe (Treasurer); Sharon Bassey (Assistant Chairman); Dave Fisher; Marjorie Hill; Simon Kenward; Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Amanda Squires; Jim Saunders; Cllr Sunny Lambe; Scott Renken; Colin Hartridge-Price; Alison Clayburn; David Mackintosh; Scott Renken; Abi Davis; Pat Kingwell (Projects Manager); Judy Feasey; John Mannering; James Tierney

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies for 15th March 2017 Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Cllr. Stephanie Cryan; Cllr. Niky Rathbone; Denis McMillan; Sue Sexton; Helene Norval; Bill Williams; Simon Hughes; Judith Carlton; Andrea Pita (London Borough of Southwark); Simon Woodman; Kath Whittam	April Apologies; Helena Norval, Niky Rathbone, Cllr Stephanie Cryan, Bill Williams, Cllr Sunny Lambe, Colin Hartridge-Price, Amanda Squires, Denise Simmons
2.	Notes of Annual General Meeting and General Meeting of 15th February 2017 The notes were agreed as a true record (closed items agenda 13).	
3.00	Matters Arising There were no matters arising.	
3.01 New	Save Croft Street Trees - campaign to save the endangered London Plane trees in Croft Street. Southwark and Lewisham Councils must both give their consent for these trees to be removed and/or severely lopped down.	John Hellings
3.02 Update	Maydew House Development – Farrer Huxley Associates Landscape with no formal boundaries and Bede House to have 2.5 metre wall with windows along boundary. Timeframe to implement; 3-4 years. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gates/materials match style in park e.g. Gomm Road gates & Dilston Grove entrance (130 years old) must be retained as now. Public meeting to be held 16th March at Bede Centre for viewing model of gates, paths and boundary planting. 	Pat Kingwell Farrer Huxley Architects Laura Gaskell
3.03 Update	Neighbourhood Fund 2017 - Attachment 4 Bid for Summer 2017 - Submitted 28/12/16. We have been granted the full amount of the bid as in attachment 4	To close
3.04 Update	Pond Training The trainer is meeting volunteers Monday the 20 th March at 10.30am at the new pond in the Nature garden.	Andrea Pita
3.05 Update	Pop Up Screens – Attachment 5 FoSP asked the Council for more information from Pop Up Screens and arranged a meeting on 18 April to discuss our concerns.	Sharon Bassey
3.06 Update	Treasurer's Position Jean Cunliffe and Sue Sexton have recently resigned and we would like to thank them for their giving their valued time to the Friends. Gary Magold and Marjorie Hill, who previously held the positions, have offered to do so again until the Annual General Meeting.	For approval
3.07 Update	Salter Group Is Doctor's Information board being replaced instead upgrading the shelter?	
3.08 New	Summer Programme The Southwark Park primary school cricket competition, Bobby Abel Cup, will be held – 19 th May 10am to 2pm. The athletics day for primary schools, Nellie Stockwell Cup, will be held 21 st June 9am to 3pm.	Pat Kingwell
3.09 New	CVB Traffic & Logistics Co-ordinator Proposal for the combi cabin welfare unit to be placed inside Southwark park boundary adjacent to Hawkstone road. This will allow the traffic marshals to safely access and exit from the welfare unit to the vehicle holding area.	Charley Whitlock CVB Traffic & Logistics

4.	Park Manager's Report – March Meeting	
4.01	Southwark Park - Carriageway / Paradise Gate Drains Specialist contractor carried out CCTV survey and awaiting results	Andrea Pita
4.02	Southwark Park – Carriageway Surface Repairs / Crossover Point Once budgets are confirmed, Conway Aecom will carry out the work in the new financial year.	Closed
4.03 Update	Dolphin Fountain Details of the opening ceremony are to be provided April meeting.	Andrea Pita
4.04	Caryatides Condition of the caryatides has yet to be reviewed and they will be seen by Ben Lovell at the same time as West Lane Memorial.	Andrea Pita
4.05	Former Park Manager's Lodge There do not appear to be any plans to create an access point into the park as some raised paving has been installed at the back of the apartments. The stair access is a fire escape and the route will lead around the back of the apartments rather than directly into the park	Closed
4.06	King's Stairs Gardens Gates - The main security issues appear to have been resolved as the faulty locks and chains have now been dealt with. However, there is still an issue with the padlock being left unlocked by users of the church hall and it now seems that the best option would be to replace the padlock again, but with a less common type	Andrea Pita
4.07	Village Green Status –Tree Sapling Tree Services Manager has confirmed that the vandalised young tree sapling will be replaced with a standard size young staked tree in the current planting season.	Andrea Pita
4.08	King George's Field Drains Asset Management have been instructed to clean out the drains and we are currently awaiting a condition report from them.	Andrea Pita
4.09	Pathways The condition of the entrance and dividing paths from Lower Road addressed with Senior Management in the new financial year in order to ensure the work is included and prioritised in the Capital Spend Projection 2017 – 18.	Andrea Pita
5. Update	Key Projects Update – Attachment 2 A table of key projects given as an attachment to the agenda. Next Project Board Meeting - Monday April 24th 2017 2-3pm	Pat Kingwell
5.01 Update	Southwark Park New Café – Attachment 4 Next meeting date as above	Hemali Topiwala
5.02 Update	Southwark Athletics Building Refurbishment of the Southwark Athletics Building: Due for completion WC 11 th August 2017. FoSP propose the Council organise a grand opening and suggestions for Open Day to be discussed	Gary Glover Pat Kingwell
5.03 Update	Children's Play area Following the design workshop on Monday 5th December, the next Project Board meeting is; Mon April 24th, 2017 2-3pm	Gary Glover Pat Kingwell
6. New	Bowling Club Update The Summer agenda is available on the FoSP website	Raymond Buckberry
7.	West Lane Memorial Garden Issues	
7.01	Memorial Stone The memorial is looking very dirty and Andy to ask Ben Lovell after 11 April memorial service for Harold Mugford	For closure? Andrea Pita
8.	King's Stairs Gardens Issues	

8.01	Dead oak tree by Light 32 still needs removing.	Andrea Pita
8.02 New	Trees on the hill -One is very poorly as the hill does not hold water and trees planted on it always die. There was no consultation, and as the indicative cost of planting these mature trees is about £800 each, KSG suggest a formal request that these be removed, and planted elsewhere as people like the sun and admire the view. The trees planted on the Jamaica Road side of the park look wonderful are in a suitable place for watering.	
8.03 New	Park railings Jamaica Road are looking very shabby. What is the planned maintenance programme as need some repair and a repaint?	
8.04 New	Pathways & Flower Beds - various areas are uneven & a trip hazard as brick edging is loose in places & some bricks are missing. Some flower beds have not been maintained and are growing small trees & brambles e.g. along back of houses.	
8.05 New	Suggestion Raised by Annabelle Stockman 'Given the increasing impact from rising traffic levels on Jamaica Road in the form of noise and pollution into the park I wondered whether it would be possible to plant a screen of indigenous trees along the boundary fence?' Pat has sent this on to the Council.	Andrea Pita
8.06 Update	Crime – Police contacted if they investigate a crime they call the council to organise a cleaning session. What is the crime rated in KSG? Do we need better lighting etc? Daniel Mackintosh investigated and could not find any significant increase in the crime rate on the KSG.	For closure
9.	King George's Field Issues –	
9.01	General condition of park King George's field needs more trees and bushes to add colour (border on right especially needs more colour). Also needs gates in keeping with other Parks. Could the funding be put into project bank or could we use Section 106 funds for maintenance?	Pat Kingwell
10.	Planning Matters Update – Attachment 3 A table of current planning applications attached to the agenda.	
11.	Any Other Business –	
12.	Dates of Future Meeting 4pm/6pm 24 th May 17 King Stairs Garden , 21 st June 17, 19 th July 17 Wednesdays 6.00pm at The Park Office unless otherwise notified.	TBC time and date for May meeting being held at KSG
13.	Closed Items March Meeting	
13.01	Cleaner, Greener Safer Programme 2017-18 20 th February Community Council agreed to fund our interpretation board projects at King George's Field and West Lane Gardens and the bee mesh. The Gallery also got some money for their community garden.	Closed
13.02	Mayflower Celebrations 2020 & Southwark Park 2019 & Other Socials Suggestions and ideas for Mayflower celebrations & also for future Southwark Park event on June 19th 2019 for 150th anniversary of opening! • Set up a 150 th Celebration; Pat will organise a committee	Closed
13.03	Shine Walk Scott Renken addressed meeting regarding the Park hosting the 4 th charity walk on 23 rd Sept. Last year they raised £4.2 million for cancer.	Agreed
13.04	Willow Tree – by the lake is being removed as trunk has split	Information only
13.05	Its our park -March newsletter of the East London Garden Society.	Information only
	King George's Field	
13.06	Vera Lynn Concert and the Children's Day Barry and Jan Duckett will host the Events at King Georges with Jean Cunliffe.	Closed
13.07	Gravestones cleaning up and suggested to place around the field as St James Church.	Closed
13.08	Pathways Pat has been sent photos of the path problem of King George's Field and forwarded to Andrea and Rotherhithe councillors who agreed to fund an information board and gate panels. Pat stated it would be a shame to have those improvements spoiled by the deteriorating paths.	Closed

Attachment 2 - Key Projects Update – March 2017

	Project Description	Current Position
1	Southwark Park south-western boundary improvements October 2014 we agreed that boundary improvements were needed. We asked if the Maydew House redevelopment scheme might help provide a solution.	The Maydew Project Team attended our October meeting to advise on progress, and updated at February meeting with more detail on possible new park entrance. Follow up meeting on amended gate designs
2	Southwark Park Sports Centre A major refurbishment scheme and additional works include landscaping to facilitate these changes and the movement north of the fence at the southern boundary. As a second phase the changing rooms will be improved, including remodelling of the internal areas of the building.	The infield has been seeded and will be available to use from Summer 2017. The second phase building refurbishment planning application was approved at a planning sub-committee on 4 th October 2016. Southwark Athletics Building: Works commence on site March 2017 – 20 weeks construction period Due for completion WC 11 th August 2017
3	Southwark Park New Café In 2013 the Council's CGS Programme awarded FOSP funds to develop a plan to improve the café, toilet and office provision. Capital funding £1,650m has been secured and following public consultation the intention is to proceed with a re-location of café and office near the lake.	Bell Phillips Architecture have been appointed as building architects and Kinnear as landscape architects. Design consultation has been completed. Next steps: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contractor procured by December 2016 • Works completed by July 2017
4	Southwark Park Old Nursery In 2013 the Council's CGS Programme awarded FOSP funds to develop a plan to bring the Old Nursery site back into park use. Capital funding £817,899 has been secured.	Kinnear Landscape Architects have developed a plan for the site. The retention of the existing café building has been resolved so plans can be finalised.
5	Southwark Park Current Café Building Once the new café is in place it was proposed to demolish the existing building and landscape over the site.	FOSP asked that the design for the area ensures good boundary treatment with Gomm Road residences.
6	Children's Play Area The Council made a commitment to ensure that there is a top-quality children's playground in every local area and have identified Southwark Park playground as a priority for potential funding and investment - capital bid of £500,000 for this project. A design workshop was held on 5/12 and the design team presented concept ideas for feedback.	At concept and consultation stage Next meeting – April 24th, 2017
7	CGS Award Awarded £3,200 for Information boards	Pat to update meeting

Attachment 3 - Planning Update – Current Cases

Reference	16/AP/3387
Application Received	Thu 18 Aug 2016
Address	SOUTHWARK PARK, GOMM ROAD, LONDON SE16 2EH
Proposal	The relocation of Park Offices, Cafe and Public Toilets in a single storey focal building with a triple building sited adjacent to the CGP gallery overlooking the Boating Lake, Oval and Playground.
Application Type	Council's Own Development – Reg 3
Applicant	Southwark Council
Status	Registered as valid application

Reference	15/AP/5049
Application Received	Thu 17 Dec 2015
Address	SOUTHWARK PARK SPORTS CENTRE, HAWKSTONE ROAD, LONDON, SE16 2PE
Proposal	Refurbishment of the existing athletics centre pavilion building
Application Type	Council's Own Development – Reg 3
Applicant	Southwark Council
Status	The application was approved by Planning Sub-

Attachment 4 - Neighbourhood Fund 2017

Pat attended the Community Council last night and the good news is we have been allocated a grant for our summer programme - we got the full £4820 we asked for. Our part of the bargain is to find £535, making a total budget of £5355. Once the money is in our account we can get on organising the various activities, which to remind you are:

Music

2 x Sunday bandstand concerts – June and August

Sports/Games

1 x Bobby Abel Cricket Cup for Primary Schools - May

1 x Southwark Park Football Cup for children – June

1 x Primary Schools Athletics Festival - June

1 x Bermondsey Carnival Tennis Day in Southwark Park for adults and children - July

1 x Bermondsey Carnival Traditional Children's Games – July

Environment

1 x Bee Experience day at Southwark Park – date to be confirmed

1 x Guided Tour: 'The Ada Salter Garden, Southwark Park' by Head Gardener, Lynne Olding - July 2016

1000 x Tree walk leaflets to provide information about the many beautiful specimens in Southwark Park. The leaflet will go online on our website.

Heritage

1 x Guided Tour: 'King's Stairs Gardens' by Pat Kingwell - Wednesday 28th June

Publicity

10,000 events programme flyers. The flyer will go online on our website.

Attachment 5 - Pop Up Screens

Thank you for your feedback to the consultation for POP UP SCREENS.

To address the points you raise:

In view of the concerns raised, The Chair of the Friends of Southwark Park has been invited to attend / elect representative to attend the operations meeting that will take place with the organiser.

1. We understand the concerns around the 11.30pm finish time and we will be reviewing this with the organiser
2. Events such as this are held in other parks around the borough to great success and are very popular. Two films are rated 12 and are family orientated to ensure that they have a broad appeal over 3 nights.
3. The Company – Pop-up Screens are an established company and have run similar events in other boroughs. We have taken up references with other local authority and are confident they can run these events successfully.
4. The screenings area: Dirty Dancing, Empire Records and Ferris Bueller's Day Off

To address your questions about funding the fee taken for the use of the park contributes towards the funding of Bermondsey Carnival and Southwark Fireworks Night that both take place in the park.