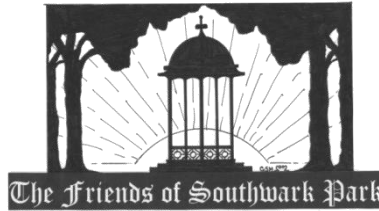


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6.6 The quorum for the AGM will be one third of the membership or twelve people, whichever is the lesser.

6.7 Each member of FoSP shall be entitled to vote at the AGM.

7. GENERAL MEETINGS AND SPECIAL MEETINGS

General Meetings

7.1 General meetings will be convened at agreed intervals, not less than six times per year.

7.2 General meetings are open to the public as well as members.

Special Meetings

7.3 Special Meetings may be convened by the Committee or on receipt by the Secretary of a request in writing from not less than ten full members of the FoSP. At least twenty-one days' notice of the meeting shall be given.

7.4 The quorum for General or Special Meetings will be one third of the membership or twelve people, whichever is the lesser.

7.5 Decisions made at General or Special meetings shall be by a simple majority vote of members attending the meeting. In the event of equal votes, the Chairperson shall be entitled to an additional casting vote.

7.6 Each member of FoSP shall be entitled to vote at General or Special meetings.

8. ALTERATIONS TO THE CONSTITUTION

8.1 Any proposed alterations to the FoSP Constitution may only be considered at an AGM or Special Meeting, convened with the required written notice of the proposal. Any alteration or amendment must be proposed by a member of the FoSP and seconded by another member.

- 8.2 Such alterations shall be passed if supported by a majority of the voting members present at the meeting, assuming that a quorum has been achieved.

9. FINANCE, INSURANCE AND PROPERTY

- 9.1 The FoSP shall maintain a bank current account and all monies shall be banked in an account in the name of THE FRIENDS OF SOUTHWARK PARK.
- 9.2 The Treasurer shall be responsible for the finances and for providing regular reports on the financial position as required by FoSP.
- 9.3 Any cheques drawn against the FoSP funds should be signed by two officers, one of whom must be the Treasurer.
- 9.4 The financial year will run from 1st April to 31st March. The Treasurer will present an audited statement of annual accounts at the AGM. Accounts should be available to the Committee at least a week before AGM.
- 9.5 The Treasurer shall ensure that the FoSP maintains adequate and appropriate insurance to cover its activities.
- 9.6 Any property, equipment or goods purchased with FoSP funds shall remain in the ownership of FoSP.

10. DISSOLUTION

- 10.1 If at any General Meeting of The FoSP a resolution is passed calling for the dissolution of the FoSP, the Secretary shall immediately convene a Special Meeting to be held not less than one month thereafter to discuss and vote on the resolution.
- 10.2 If at that Special Meeting the resolution is carried by at least two thirds of the membership present at the meeting, the Committee shall thereupon, or at such date as shall have been specified in the resolution, proceed to realise the assets of the FoSP and discharge all debts and liabilities.
- 10.3 The Committee will then be responsible for the orderly winding up of The FoSP affairs.
- 10.4 After settling all liabilities of the FoSP, the Committee shall spend any residual funds on Southwark Park.

13. DECLARATION

This Constitution was adopted as the Constitution of the Friends of Southwark Park at a Special meeting held on 3rd November 2010 at The Parkside Tenants and Residents Association Hall, New Place Square, Southwark Park Road SE16.



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General Meeting
30th March 2011 6.00pm at
Parkside Tenants and Residents Association Hall New Place Square, Southwark Park Road

Agenda

1. **Apologies**
2. **Notes of meeting of 26th January 2011 and Matters Arising (see Attachment 1)**
3. **UK Power Networks Cable Tunnelling Works Proposals**
4. **King's Stairs Gardens Update**
5. **Project Updates - to receive progress reports on:**
 - **Bowling Club works**
 - **Caryatids relocation**
 - **Former nursery clearance works**
 - **Sports Centre**
6. **Park Manager's Report - Rosie Thornton**
7. **Park Standard's Officer Report - Nina Chantry**
8. **Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Festival 2011**
9. **Art Gallery Update**
10. **Planning Updates – to receive latest on:**
 - **Conversion of former working men's club on western boundary into flats**
11. **Membership - Corinne Turner**
12. **Finances - Marjorie Hill**
13. **Any Other Business**
14. **Dates of Future Meetings**

Pat Kingwell - Secretary
18th March 2011

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Notes of Friends of Southwark Park General Meeting held on 26th January 2011 at Parkside Tenants and Residents Association Hall

In attendance:

M. Bellinger; A. Bridges; William Cameron; Alan Camp (Alan Camp Architects); Alison Clayburn; Gary Glover; Kathy Hennessy; Marjorie Hill; Pat Kingwell; Gary Magold; Arlene Powell; Jim Saunders; Christine Savory; Tracy Scales; Sue Sexton; Colin Smith; Ben Sztainbok (London Borough Southwark); Rosie Thornton (London Borough Southwark); Corinne Turner; Susan Vaughan; G. Witsey.

1. Apologies

Pauline Adenwalla; Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Philip Burkett; Nina Chantry; Ron Henocq; Jerry Hewitt; Mairi Mills; Cllr. Lisa Rajan; Donna Spedding; Amanda Squires; Rebecca Towers.

2. Notes of meeting of 3rd November 2010 and Matters Arising

The notes were agreed and the following matters arose:

EDF Monies – £40,000 is with Southwark and to be signed over to Rosie Thornton by March. Friends to consider how money might be used.

Tennis Courts – idea of applying for Cleaner, Greener Safer funds on hold as it is not yet clear if funds will be available in 2011/12

3. Park Manager's Report

Rosie Thornton reported on:

Franklin Close illegal access to park– Rosie said the issue of illegal access through private gates is being looked at across the board for all parks.

Green Flag Award – Southwark Park currently has the award, and will be entered again.

Park Management and Action Plan – is up for renewal – Friends to contribute to the vision for the park – Rosie to advise when.

Dilston Grove Finger posts – about to be ordered.

Film Income – Rosie confirmed there is £2360 available to be spent on the park. It seems allocation to the park from film income is about 5%, which the meeting considered to be far too low. Agreed a meeting with the Film Team be set up to discuss possible changes.

Cycling – continuing concerns expressed over the speed of cyclists in the park.

Wildflower Meadow – Rosie indicated that it cost c£5600 to seed the area, and that the life span is about 3 or 4 years, so re-seeding may soon be necessary. However, she also alerted the meeting to a proposal from a power company to take over that portion of the park for a deep tunnelling operation to locate electric cables. This provoked considerable discussion, and it was agreed to ask Parks Services for more details.

Parks Budget meeting – a re-organisation of the Parks Service is due to be carried out and the impact of expenditure cuts would be discussed in a February meeting.

4. Park Standards Officer Report

Nina Chantry sent an e-mail:

“The update on Grounds Maintenance could be very brief and as follows: Since the last FoSP meeting the Quadron team has been busy with leaf clearance (and snow clearance!). They expect to have finished by the end of the month and will then be able to focus on some winter jobs such as winter edging, mulching and pruning shrub beds.”

5. King’s Stairs Gardens Update

Gary Glover gave an account of developments since the last meeting and indicated that a walkabout would be a good idea to look at maintenance, lighting and any other issues.

William Cameron reported that there would be a King’s Stairs Gardens Nature Day on Sunday 27th March from noon.

6. Membership

Corinne Turner reported that the Bede House option had worked as an address for membership forms, so it was agreed to continue with that arrangement until we have developed our own website or another alternative.

7. Finances

Marjorie Hill and Pat Kingwell circulated a financial statement covering the period 16th March 2010 -29th November 2011, which showed a balance of £3618.37.

8. Project Updates - progress reports were received on:

Bowling Club works

- Turf and irrigation system completed. Colin Smith asked about the placing of a plaque by the artificial surface, which was part of the contract.
- Roof – quotes for replacement have come back in excess of £20,000 so will need to be tendered

Former nursery clearance works

- Christine Wildhaber from Southwark Council had informed us that clearance works were due to commence w/b 24th January, and that a letter had been circulated to nearby residents informing them.
- A lively discussion followed, with a number of views, both for and against the clearance works. Some residents of Gomm Road, whose homes back on to the former nursery, expressed their concerns about future security. Others asked about the impact of the clearance on wildlife.
- There was common agreement that Southwark Council must consult fully with local people, and some concern that, as yet, little progress has been made on defining a future use of the site.

Sports Centre

- Jay Yeats, of Southwark Council, had sent an e-mail and advised: “The project for the track is dormant at the moment because the Council wishes to be certain that it can properly fund and achieve a scheme at the site before it applies for a new planning permission. I currently have two bids into the Council's capital programme for this scheme:

a) A 2 million pound bid for a modest scheme which will restore the track and the astro with a refresh of the changing facilities.

b) A 5 million pound bid which would almost achieve everything we wanted in the previous scheme but without the contentious MUGAs demanded by the Football Foundation.

Things have developed since the bids were made and we have a couple of options. If we were to get the £2 million we would probably be able to top that up with £250K from the Mayor's Legacy Fund and maybe as much as £100K from the London Marathon. We could also 'bank' that funding and apply (in autumn 2011), for up to £2 million from the People, Places, Play fund that has recently been announced making a £4 million (plus) scheme in total.

I will have a better idea of what we are actually doing once a decision has been made by Cabinet on Capital Funding in February.”

A brief discussion followed during which the sorry state of the sports centre was bemoaned, and it was also suggested that should the Southwark Council funding referred to by Jay Yeats not be forthcoming, then a review of the future use of the site should be undertaken. The site has been an eyesore in the park for far too long, and cannot be allowed to remain so indefinitely.

Outdoor gym

- It has been successfully implemented and appears to be well used.

9. Planning Updates – we received latest on:

386 Southwark Park Road (Planning Application 10/AP/2308) - conversion of former working men's club - Alan Camp, from Alan Camp Architects spoke about the scheme, which proposed to convert the existing Southwark Park Club building into a four-storey high

mix of apartments and social club Alan took several questions about the design, in particular the height and relationship of the boundary with the park.

Caryatids relocation – Andrea Allen of Southwark Council updated by e-mail that quotes for cleaning and then moving the statues off the Heygate Estate, and subsequent installation, had been obtained from DBR (David Ball Restoration) Ltd. The structural engineer had got the ball rolling to get a quote for the underground works - concrete bases or rafts for load – and the arborist was due to arrange site visit to check on the tree roots and proposed works. An order for the sign board was due to be placed with Browse Bion. The outcome of the HLF Lottery application was due and she hoped to be on site in March.

10. Any Other Business

Planning Policy

- Ben Sztainbok from Southwark Council gave an explanation of the Council's Planning Policy.

Website

- A discussion on need to create a Friends website. Corinne said she would investigate further.

The Event 2011

- Clarification needed from Southwark Council if the annual summer event is to take place this year.

"Our Park" Project

- A report was circulated by Pat Kingwell.

11. Dates of Future Meetings

Annual General Meeting – this is currently scheduled for Tuesday 26th April 2011, but due to various commitments it was suggested it be re-scheduled to the first week in May. To be discussed at next General meeting.



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**General Meeting
1st June 2011 6.00pm at
The Gallery in Southwark Park**

Agenda

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Notes of meeting of 30th March 2011 and Matters Arising (see Attachment 1)**
- 3. F.A. Albin and Sons Memorial Proposals – Julia Edwards LBS**
- 4. UK Power Networks Cable Tunnelling Works Proposals – Sharon Lomas LBS**
- 5. South East London Combined Heat and Power Works Proposals – David Gee LBS**
- 6. Former nursery clearance works - Christine Wildhaber**
- 7. Former Southwark Park Club Development - Corinne Turner**
- 8. Rotherhithe Caryatides Project - Gary Magold**
- 9. Park Manager's Report - Rosie Thornton LBS**
- 10. Park Standard's Officer Report - Nina Chantry LBS – to be tabled**
- 11. Art Gallery Update – Ron Henocq**
- 12. Bowling Club Update – Jim Saunders/ Colin Smith**
- 13. Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Festival 2011**
- 14. King's Stairs Gardens Update**
- 15. King's Stairs Jubilee Stone – Amanda Squires**
- 16. Finances - Marjorie Hill**
- 17. Any Other Business**
- 18. Dates of Future Meetings**

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Notes of Friends of Southwark Park General Meeting held on 30th March 2011 at Parkside Tenants and Residents Association Hall

In attendance:

Harry Bailey; Nina Chantry (London Borough of Southwark); Alison Clayburn; Dave Fisher; Gary Glover; Ron Henocq; Marjorie Hill; Pat Kingwell; Sharon Lomas (London Borough of Southwark); Lynne Olding (Quadron); Dave Pickup (Quadron); Jim Saunders; Tracy Scales; Colin Smith; Corinne Turner; Susan Vaughan; Andy Webster; Christine Wildhaber (London Borough of Southwark); George Witsey.

UK Power Networks: Bill Francis; John Nagle; Nicholas Ralph; Simon Stroud

1. Apologies

Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Philip Burkett; Ann Clayton; Kathy Hennessy; Jerry Hewitt; Gary Magold; Mairi Mills; Cllr. Lisa Rajan; Sue Sexton; Louise Sheridan; Donna Spedding; Amanda Squires; Rosie Thornton (London Borough Southwark)

2. Notes of meeting of 26th January and Matters Arising

The notes were agreed and the following matters arose:

EDF Monies/Tennis Courts – Rebecca Towers, Head of Southwark Parks, has received the EDF money and after discussion between Rosie Thornton and Gary Glover, some of the funds have been allocated to upgrading the tennis courts. £20,000 is being spent on tarmacking the courts, relining, new nets and posts and repairing the damaged fencing. Work has commenced on site and is expected to complete within two weeks, well in time for the Easter holidays.

3. UK Power Networks Cable Tunnelling Works Proposals

- 3.1 Before the representatives from UK Power Networks gave some background to their deep tunnelling project, they commented on the number of people who had attended their exhibition last week. In their experience the 31 people who had come along was a good response, and they had gained valuable feedback.
- 3.2 They confirmed that they have been in discussion with Southwark Council Parks service since May 2010, and had been engaged in a feasibility study for 18 months prior to that. They maintained that the current proposals, involving Southwark Park, are the only realistic option,

given their need to adhere to health and safety regulations and the direction of the tunnel. They submitted a planning application last week.

- 3.3 UKPN confirmed that the operation will not involve taking down the China Hall gates, but will lead to the removal of the mounded area alongside the sports centre and Hawkstone Road. The works could last up to two years and will entail a section of the park being taken out of public access, to be used as a work compound. At the end of the project, this compound will be restored to a good condition. UKPN will have to locate ventilation grills there, and have vehicle access to the tunnel, as and when needed. They thought this would be no more than four times a year for routine inspection purposes.

UKPN said they want to deliver the project as quickly as possible in order to avoid inconvenience, and their intention is to work closely with the local authority to avoid undue problems.

- 3.4 A discussion followed, and a number of questions were raised, including:

3.4.1 Traffic

Jim Saunders asked about the direction lorries would leave the site, and it was confirmed it would be onto Hawkstone Road and then to Lower Road. Jim, and others, considered traffic congestion would prove to be a major problem.

Marjorie Hill asked if any thought had been given to an alternative route.

Dave Fisher asked if there would be a pedestrian management system in place, and UKPN said there would be.

3.4.2 Noise

Alison Clayburn asked about noise levels, especially during the summer months, when people like to sit out on The Oval. UKPN answered that a survey would be carried out prior to the works, in order to ascertain the ambient levels in the park they would be monitored on. Alison, and others, made the point that the site is near a noisy road, but noise from the works would travel into the quieter centre of the park and beyond. UKPN stated that there would be minimal noise from tunnelling itself as there would be no piling, and that the main noise generation will come from two cranes; compressors; and removal of spoil from the shaft. It was also accepted that additional noise will be generated through up to 20 lorry movements a day, and the use of up to 20 cars by staff.

Sharon Lomas asked about noise levels at night, and UKPN referred again to working within agreed levels. They confirmed work would be 24 hours a day, but soil removal only during the day. Sharon asked about vibrations, and UKPN considered they would be imperceptible.

3.4.3 Boundaries

Pat Kingwell asked UKPN to explain how the work compound would look to park users and it was confirmed that 2m+ hoardings would be erected, but higher ones could be considered if it helped reduce any noise. UKPN also confirmed that a 10m grouter would be seen from above the hoardings, and also the upper floors of the two storey staff accommodation.

3.4.4 Archaeological Issues

Dave Fisher asked about finds, and UKPN confirmed a Museum of London Archaeological Survey (MOLAS) would be carried out, as would an ecological survey.

3.4.5 Alternative Sites

Alison Clayburn asked why other sites had not been chosen. Mention was made of a small Tesco car park, but UKPN hold the view that their current proposal is the best option.

Andy Webster commented that the whole scheme felt like a *fait accompli*, and he asked why there appears to have been little consideration given to the historic and Listed status of the park the works would undo some of the important preservation achieved over recent years.

3.4.6 Post Project and Planning Gain

Gary Glover reiterated the Friend's opposition to the proposals, but also asked what benefits UKPN might be able to offer the park. He reminded the meeting of the c£40,000 given by EDF for carriageway works, and suggested that as UKPN's proposals are more far-reaching, a larger sum of money would be appropriate through a Section 106 agreement. The Council and The Friends have a long list of improvements that need to be carried out in Southwark Park. UKPN could not commit themselves to a figure at this stage, and said they would be working through the Parks department and Neil Martindale in the Council's Estates team.

Pat Kingwell said that the cost of lost public leisure opportunities should be taken into account by the Council in its negotiations with UKPN. He reminded the meeting that the area in question is part of the sports centre redevelopment plan, and was to be the location of 3 Multi Use Games Areas, designed to be open access to young people, and largely free of charge. These important MUGAs will be lost through the need to retain future access for UKPN on the site once the works have concluded. The MUGAs are important elements in securing money from other funders. UKPN said it is not their intention to stymie any leisure development in the park and would be happy to consider ways in which their future access needs could fit in.

Lynne Olding commented that the clearing of the mound might be advantageous.

Action:

Arrange a meeting between Friends, Parks and Council's Estates team to consider the issue of S106 - GG.

Further discussion required by Friends before giving Southwark Council our formal position on the proposals – All

4. King's Stairs Gardens Update

4.1 Gary Glover reported that Thames Water has acquired the Chambers Wharf site, which may be a possible alternative to Kings Stairs Gardens. Corinne Turner and Alison Clayburn said that there could also be some opposition to that site as it is very near to schools.

4.2 A very successful Nature Day was held on Sunday 27th March.

5. Project Updates - to receive progress reports on:

Bowling Club works

5.1 Via e-mail Rosie Thornton informed us that Bayliss Landscapes have completed the Bowling Club works - the topdressing, 2 rolls, 2 cuts and the patching up from the bird damage, as well as starting up the irrigation system again. Handover is arranged with Quadron / Parks for next week.

5.2 Jim Saunders said that the quality of work carried out was not good enough, and he raised concerns about the liaison between the Cleaner, Greener Safer team and the bowling club. Despite

requests to be more involved in the project, the club's knowledge of what is required has not been tapped into.

5.3 Harry Bailey said he was concerned about the poor quality of the green and had spoken with Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai about it. She is supportive. He also said there are four key ingredients for success at the club – sprinkler system; a roller; a lawnmower; and a green keeper – but he was not yet confident on any of them. Dave Pickup said that the roller was being looked into; the mower had been bought; and soon there should be two green keepers.

5.4 Colin Smith raised yet again the omission of the contractual requirement for a London Marathon plaque to be placed near the new synthetic facility. This is still outstanding.

5.5 Jim Saunders asked about contacts with local schools, as the club are keen to get young people involved.

Action:

Contact Cleaner, Greener Safer Team about improving communication with the bowling club – PK

Arrange for London Marathon plaque to be put up - CW

Contact local primary schools about bowling opportunities - PK

Caryatids relocation

5.6 Andrea Allen sent an e-mail summarising the position:

- The interpretation board has been designed and signed off for manufacture. Many thanks to Gary M for the photos and text
- The trial pits have been dug and the council arborist is satisfied that there the pits to be dug for the foundations for the statues will not damage significant roots
- A company specialising in screw piling has been to site, investigated soil conditions and is designing the foundation piles and concrete cappings (underground works)
- The Portland stone plinths have been ordered and a quote for the overground works (installation of the plinths and bringing the statues to site) has been obtained from local company DBR (David Ball Restoration)
- A planting plan has been signed off by parks and a quote is being obtained from a landscaping company for complementary planting
- The works will now take place in April/early May and an opening event/celebration will be arranged for May.

5.7 It was agreed to fund the costs of a band for the event, subject to licensing arrangements being sorted out with Southwark Council.

5.8 A vote of thanks was given to Gary Magold for all he has done to further this project.

Action:

Contact Southwark Events Team over licence - GG

Former nursery clearance works

5.9 Christine Wildhaber gave some background to the project, and reported that the site is almost cleared now. In the course of the clearance works there has been some boundary issues, and earlier that day she and Cllr Hargrove had met with local residents to hear their concerns, which seem to be about some damage to boundary walls/fences during the works; their short and long-term security, and also the lack of clarity at the moment over the Council's eventual plans for the site.

5.10 Christine gave some information about the project budget – to date £52,000 has been spent on clearance. In her view the potential cost of treating all of the site boundaries would require another £40-50,000, which exceeds the present money available. A potential source for the additional money could be the Rotherhithe Community Council. In an e-mail Rosie Thornton said that she has already contributed £2700 out of the Southwark Park Repair & Maintenance budget to repair the boundary wall, plus £3000 early in the year to the provisional clearance works.

5.11 Tracy Scales and George Witsey, as residents of Gomm Road, gave their viewpoint. The removal of material, foliage etc. has opened up viewing of the site, and left their gardens in what they consider to be a vulnerable condition. They are not convinced either of the robustness of the entrance gate onto the site to stop intruders. They were not convinced that they should have to wait for a total boundary solution for the site, and would like to see a solution to their present security concerns quickly.

5.12 The meeting agreed to write to the Council to seek a resolution to the problem, confirming that the concerns of Gomm Road residents must be taken seriously and be seen as a priority at this stage of the project.

5.13 On the longer-term use of the site Christine explained that there was something of a Catch 22 situation. Until the site is cleared potential partners are unlikely to be very firm about their intentions. Nevertheless, several organisations have expressed interest in using the area for a 'green' purpose, including Groundwork London; Growing Southwark; Trust for Urban Ecology; London Wildlife Trust; and The Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Allotment Society. Now that the site is virtually clear, the Council will begin the process of securing a partner.

5.14 Several members asked how this would be done, and it was agreed that the Friends would like to be involved in the decision-making process.

Action:

Discuss with Cleaner, Greener, Safer Team how to use remaining project budget to meet Gomm Road residents' concerns – CW

Friends to write to Council urging resolution to current problem – PK

Arrange for Friends to be involved in the selection process for future site users - CW

Sports Centre

5.10 Jay Yeats, Southwark Council's Head of Leisure and Wellbeing, sent an e-mail in which he confirmed that the Council has made no decision yet on capital allocations, and the earliest it is likely to do so is June/July 2011.

6. Park Manager's Report

6.1 Rosie Thornton sent an update by e-mail which covered several items on the agenda – see above and below – and also reported on:

Outdoor Gym - this has been installed and formally handed over. It already is being well used and is an excellent addition to the park.

Dilston Grove and Gallery – Rosie has ordered 3 new finger posts detailing the gallery and Dilston Grove. They are currently being manufactured and will be installed shortly.

Damage to sign at the front gate - this has been delayed due to the insurers disputing the quote due to the 'clock' on the gate. (They didn't believe there was one!) This has now been settled and the sign will be manufactured and installed.

Jabez West water fountain - this has been repaired several times this year as it keeps clogging up preventing it functioning properly. I have reported it for repair and it should be working in the next day or two.

Staffing and restructure - Rebecca Towers sent details of the new structure and any queries should be directed through her. Rosie will be remaining in her current position until the end of June. Neither her current nor her original posts are on the new structure so she will be applying for a new position with the service. Also as part of the restructure we will be sadly losing Emma Longman Community Outreach Officer, who has been covering for Agnese since her departure. Emma's last day was the 31st March.

Gary Glover said that in the staff restructure Southwark Park would have two members of staff.

7. Park Standard's Officer Report

7.1 Nina Chantry gave a brief report, indicating that the bedding in the park looks good, and that was down to the skill and dedication of Lynne Olding. Lynne was thanked for her contribution.

7.2 Harry Bailey asked if some flowers could be planted around the bowling green.

7.3 Gary Glover asked if we could improve the small bed near the proposed Caryatid site.

Action:

Investigate flowers around bowling green – NC/LO

Investigate improving bed – NC/LO

8. Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Festival 2011

8.1 Gary Glover confirmed there would be an event, and like last year, using the bandstand end of the park. A budget of c£88,000 has been provided and a date in late July is likely.

8.2 Corinne Turner asked if we could have the Recumbent cycles for children at this year's event. Gary said there would be a stakeholder meeting soon, and we can raise it there. Christine Wildhaber said she would look into possibilities.

Action:

Inform group of date of next Event stakeholder meeting - GG
Investigate Recumbents – CW

9. Art Gallery Update

9.1 Ron gave the good news that Bermondsey Artists Groups Arts Council grant had been increased by 5% for the coming year.

9.2 Ron said the gallery was now using the boathouse as a storage facility which is proving very useful.

9.3 Ron offered a slot in the Gallery in late July/early August for another Southwark Park exhibition.

Action:

Discuss possibility of a summer exhibition at next meeting - All

10. Planning Updates

Conversion of former working men's club on western boundary into flats

10.1 According to Southwark Council's website this scheme has been refused permission. Agreed to keep an eye out for any re-submission.

11. Membership

11.1 There was nothing specific to report, other than to remind everybody that membership is free.

12. Finances

12.1 Marjorie Hill said that the most recent statement shows a balance of £3621.36.

12.2 Pat Kingwell informed the meeting that the final tranche of "Our Park" grant amounted to £700, but would only be paid by the Heritage Lottery Fund once a copy of the book was placed on a website and freely accessible to the wider public.

13. Any Other Business

Website – setting up a Friends of Southwark Park website was briefly but remains unresolved.

Water Feature in Children's Playground and Fountain in Front of Gallery – Marjorie reported neither is working and require attention.

The Lake – Marjorie said it is in very poor condition, and appears to have nobody taking responsibility. Of particular worry is netting in which the ducks are becoming entangled.

Franklin Close illegal access to park– at an earlier meeting Rosie reported that the issue of illegal access through private gates is being looked at across the board for all parks. Can we have an update on progress?

14. Dates of Future Meetings

Annual General Meeting – this is currently scheduled for Tuesday 26th April 2011, but due to various personal commitments, and many other pressing issues, it was suggested it be re-scheduled to later in the year. It was agreed to reschedule the AGM to September, which would mean that a full year had passed since the last AGM.

The next General meeting is therefore 25th May 2011.

Pat Kingwell
Secretary
31st March 2011

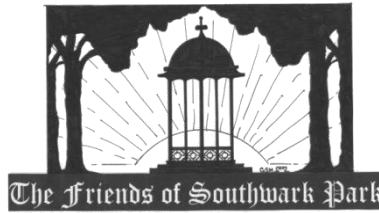


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**General Meeting
13th July 2011 6.00pm at
The Gallery in Southwark Park**

Agenda

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**Notes of Friends of Southwark Park General Meeting
 held on 1st June 2011 at
 The Gallery in the Park**

In attendance:

Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Suzanne Chambers; Alison Clayburn; Jean Cunliffe; Michael Daniels; Julia Edwards (London Borough of Southwark); Dave Fisher; David Gee (London Borough of Southwark); Ron Henocq; Marjorie Hill; Pat Kingwell; Sharon Lomas (London Borough of Southwark); Gary Magold; Cllr. Eliza Mann; Jim Saunders; Tracy Scales; Sue Sexton; Amanda Squires; Corinne Turner; Susan Vaughan; Christine Wildhaber (London Borough of Southwark); George Witsey.

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Nina Chantry (London Borough of Southwark); Ann Clayton; Gary Glover; Colin Smith; Rosie Thornton (London Borough Southwark)	
2.	Notes of meeting of 30th March and Following a minor amendment to point 13 the notes were agreed.	
2.1	Matters Arising - King's Stairs Gardens Nature Day Cllr. Eliza Mann reported that Bermondsey Community Council had provided a £600 grant	
2.2	Matters Arising -Bowling Club The London Marathon plaque yet to be installed Liaise with Head of Sport and Cleaner, Greener Safer team over recent works Consider putting flower beds around the bowling green	 Christine Wildhaber Jim Saunders Nina Chantry
2.3	Matters Arising - Bermondsey Carnival Contact Recumbents cycling group to attend Carnival	 Christine Wildhaber
3.	F.A. Albin and Sons Memorial Proposals After Julia Edwards presentation concerns were raised about the proposals. It was agreed to invite Des Waters to our next meeting.	 Pat Kingwell

4.	<p>UK Power Networks Cable Tunnelling Works Proposals</p> <p>Sharon Lomas updated on the current position. The Parks Section has written to UKPN with a number of questions, including which other sites have been ruled out; potential use of Surrey Quays car park; and confirmation of key decision-makers in their organisation. Sharon also advised that UKPN had formally approached Southwark for planning advice on 28th March and that Development Control had six to eight weeks to reply.</p> <p>Pat Kingwell updated on Friends' activity since the last meeting, including our formal written response to the Council; an advert in the local press; a petition; and a deputation to Southwark Council's cabinet.</p> <p>Cllr. Anood al-Samerai suggested a motion could be considered for a full Council meeting to draw attention to the concerns of The Friends and the petitioners.</p> <p>It was agreed that the online petition link be sent again to all contacts to encourage more signatures - http://www.gopetition.com/petitions/southwark-park-under-threat/signatures.html</p> <p>It was agreed to circulate dates for further petitioning in the park over the coming weekends.</p>	<p>Cllr. Anood al-Samerai</p> <p>Pat Kingwell</p> <p>Pat Kingwell</p>
5.	<p>South East London Combined Heat and Power Proposals</p> <p>As part of a consultation programme David Gee presented the Southwark Council and SELCHPs proposal for an environmentally sustainable scheme to supply central heating to local housing estates. One option could involve running pipes through the south-western side of the park. Following a full discussion two votes were taken. The first, on support for the aims of the scheme, resulted in 9-2 in favour. The second, on using a route other than through the park resulted in 12-0 against. It was agreed to formally pass on the feeling of the meeting to Southwark Council.</p>	<p>Pat Kingwell</p>
6.	<p>Former Nursery Clearance Works</p> <p>Christine Wildhaber updated on progress on the site clearance, which is now complete, apart from repair work to fencing on the southern side, which will be carried out in autumn to avoid the bird breeding season. Residents expressed concern about the delay, and also about the quality of some of the work, and Christine agreed to investigate, including the possibility of bringing forward a small element of the fencing works at rear of 2-6 Gomm Road.</p> <p>Christine also confirmed that on the future use of the site a report on the viability of voluntary sector involvement is being prepared for Cllr. Hargrove, and should be ready in a month or so.</p> <p>It was agreed Cllr. Hargrove be contacted to ensure that an acceptable future use is achieved as soon as possible.</p>	<p>Christine Wildhaber</p> <p>Pat Kingwell</p>
7.	<p>Former Southwark Park Club Development</p>	

	<p>The former club has been demolished. It was unclear to the meeting what is going to happen on the site. Cllr Anood al-Samerai agreed to investigate and report back.</p>	<p>Cllr. Anood al-Samerai</p>
8.	<p>Rotherhithe Caryatides Project</p> <p>Gary Magold reported on the successful relocation of the statues to the park, and invited everybody to the official unveiling on 4th June. The meeting thanked Gary for all his efforts on the project, and also the work of Southwark Council's Andrea Allen and Robin Caig. The meeting also wished to thank Rotherhithe Community Council and Heritage Lottery Fund for their financial support.</p>	<p>Pat Kingwell</p>
9.	<p>Park Manager's Report</p> <p>Unfortunately Rosie Thornton was unable to be at the meeting due to illness, but she had provided the following by e-mails:</p> <p>“Water Play Feature This is now working, the cables were snapped and the jets blocked.</p> <p>Water fountain in lake. A contractor has inspected this and the pump has broken and shattered the motor. I've requested a new pump and I'm waiting to hear back from the supplier.</p> <p>These 2 features do have regular problems. Looking back on reports over the last 12 months they have regular problems with various issues from failed electric supply, blocked jets and valves and faulty pumps. They are regularly reported and maintained but I know it can appear at times as if no action is taken, but they literally can be fixed one day and break down the next. All I can do is to keep reporting for repair and be guided by the contractors on what is required to keep them functioning.</p> <p>Broken Sign by Jamaica Gate. I obtained a quote for this repair and immediately reported to the film crew who caused the damage and their insurers agreed to pay. I've chased on numerous occasions but as nothing had been done on site. I have taken the decision to install and pay for the sign and to recoup the money from their insurers at a later date. I'm very annoyed by this as the damaged sign on the main gates gives a bad impression on the park and we have the London Benchmarking group attending tomorrow. The sign will be removed for replacement on Monday and the new fingerposts signs will also be installed.</p> <p>Art gallery finger post signs have been installed.</p> <p>Repairs for gates at tennis court and water feature have been reported again. Borehole – an additional unit is to be installed to comply with EA licence, cost c5k.</p>	

	<p>The park office will be opened up and made more welcoming and the two staff and parks liaison officer will be based there permanently.”</p> <p>A number of points were raised to be reported back to Rosie:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recently the water supply was turned off in the park and there was nobody to report it to • Similarly, during an incident of duck stoning there was nobody to report to • Similarly over motorbike riding • Concerns about the condition of the park after a recent Stroke Association Cycle event <p>The problem of neighbouring unofficial entrances/gates into the park was raised again, and there seems to be no progress on resolving the matter. Agreed Cllr. Hargrove should be advised.</p>	Pat Kingwell
10.	<p>Park Standards Officer Report</p> <p>Unfortunately Nina Chantry was unable to be at the meeting, but she had provided the following grounds maintenance update by e-mail:</p> <p>“Reginald Mercure has been reappointed as green keeper and a new green's mower has now been supplied. Reg is repairing the crow damage on a daily basis and he has fertilised the green over the past couple of weeks. Reg is also keeping a close eye on the watering system and adjusting the times and frequencies when he sees fit.</p> <p>The new Team Leader will be starting in the park on Monday 6th of June</p> <p>The dog bin emptying operation is now covered as part of the litter operation so all the dog bins must be checked daily and the liner should be changed as soon as it is starting to fill. This will be monitored closely so please continue to report any</p> <p>The lake fountain pump is beyond repair and quotes are being obtained for supply & fit of a new one</p> <p>2 extra bins will be fitted into the S/P playground in the near future.”</p> <p>The issue of green keepers was raised - we were advised there would be two green keepers – what is happening on that?</p>	Nina Chantry
11.	<p>Art Gallery Update</p> <p>None given.</p>	
12.	<p>Bowling Club Update</p> <p>Business covered by earlier items but Jim Saunders made the point that the problems with the green had made matches difficult.</p>	
13.	<p>Bermondsey Carnival</p> <p>After much debate a date has now been set for Saturday 2nd July. Event to take place in the bandstand area. Meeting reminded that</p>	

	the Rotherhithe Festival will take place on 9 th July in King George's Field.	
14.	King's Stairs Garden Update Amanda Squires updated the meeting on recent activities in KSG.	
15.	King's Stairs Jubilee Stone Amanda Squires reported on the scheme to add an inscription to the Jubilee stone.	
16.	Finances Marjorie Hill reported the latest balance as £3621.36.	
17.	Any Other Business	
17.1	Any Other Business - Tours of Southwark Park and King's Stairs Gardens Some people asked if it was possible to re-instate the previously-held pre-meeting walks around the park. From these walks, and in attendance with the Park Manager, it is possible to raise practical on-site matters. A discussion on the value or otherwise of the exercise followed and it was agreed that given the full agendas at our general meetings, it would be best to organise these tours separately. Corinne Turner to organise for Southwark Park and Amanda Squires for King's Stairs Gardens. Pat Kingwell to inform Park Manager of proposal.	Corrine Turner Amanda Squires Pat Kingwell
17.2	Any Other Business – Rotherhithe Community Council Fund Application Pat Kingwell said an application for a Southwark Park photography competition had been submitted. Decision expected in June.	
17.3	Any Other Business – Save The Pumphouse Museum Meeting Suzanne Chambers asked for meeting on 7 th June to be advertised.	Pat Kingwell
17.4	Any Other Business – Young Friends of Southwark Park Pat Kingwell said Groundwork was organising activities and a representative is due to attend our next meeting.	
17.5	Any Other Business – One o'clock Club Marjorie Hill raised concerns about the club being closed. Agreed we investigate.	Pat Kingwell
18.	Dates of Future Meetings 13th July at Gallery 10th August – venue to be arranged 21st September – AGM – venue to be arranged	



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General Meeting
10th August 2011 6.00pm at
The Clubroom, Rear of St. Peters Church, 72 Paradise Street, SE16

Agenda

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Notes of meeting of 13th July 2011 and Matters Arising (attached)**
- 3. The Young Friends of Parks – Lindsay Gowlett Groundwork Southwark**
- 4. King's Stairs Gardens Issues**
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**Notes of Friends of Southwark Park General Meeting
held on 13th July 2011 at
The Gallery in the Park**

In attendance:

Phil Burkett; Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Alison Clayburn; Dave Fisher; Gary Glover; Marjorie Hill; Pat Kingwell; Sharon Lomas (London Borough of Southwark); Andrea Pita (London Borough of Southwark); Jim Saunders; Claire Sexton; Sue Sexton; Amanda Squires; Corinne Turner; Susan Vaughan.

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Blair Bidmead (Groundwork Southwark) Lindsay Gowlett (Groundwork Southwark); Kathy Hennessy; Ron Henocq	
2.	Notes of meeting of 1st June 2011 The notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising	
2.2	Matters Arising - Bowling Club issues Jim Saunders reported that the club had a good meeting on site with Cllr. Hargrove and LBS officers to discuss concerns about quality of work, and that a number of action points had been agreed. On putting flower beds around the bowling green Andy Chatterton reminded the meeting that due to budget cuts this would not be a high priority. Andy Chatterton also confirmed that the number of green keepers allocated was one, not two, as previously indicated by Bayliss.	
2.3	Matters Arising - Former Southwark Park Club Housing Development Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai had provided the following e-mail: “Dear Pat and Corinne, Please see e-mail below which I have received from the planning dept. As you can see, I am told that planning permission for a four	

	<p>storey building was granted. I understand that the building had to be further back from the park boundary and that the developers have also made a section 106 contribution to the community.</p> <p>It does appear that you may not have received all the information and I would, of course, be very happy to discuss further. If you would like to do so please drop me an e-mail or give me a ring.</p> <p>Best wishes,</p> <p>Cllr Anood Al-Samerai Liberal Democrat Councillor for Riverside Ward Leader of the Liberal Democrat group</p> <p>Dear Councillor Al-Samerai</p> <p>Thank you for your enquiry in which you requested information concerning the former working men's club in Southwark Park Road. I can now provide you with a full response to your enquiry. Planning permission was granted for: Erection of a 4-storey building comprising social club at ground floor level (Use Class D1) and 17 flats (Use Class C3), following the demolition of the existing building on the site (ref 10-ap-3458) on 24-2-2011 at 386 Southwark Park Road.</p> <p>Friends of Southwark Park, the council's urban forester and the Parks and Sports division were all consulted on the application.</p> <p>The rear building line, and how it related to the trees within Southwark Park, was examined in some detail, with negotiations on the final position agreed between the applicant's arboriculturalist and the council's urban forester. This rear building line was moved away from the park boundary in order to minimise impacts on the trees in Southwark Park.</p> <p>There were no objections to the proposal (in fact there were quite a number of letters of support). Friends of Southwark Park did not reply to the consultation.</p> <p>There is a S106 connected with the application: this will secure the standard S106 toolkit sums, including £16,505 for public open space, children's play equipment and sports development.</p> <p>If you have any questions about this response please do not hesitate to contact me on 020 7525 5427 or email Alison.Brittain@SOUTHWARK.GOV.UK.</p> <p>Yours Sincerely,</p> <p>Alison Brittain Team Manager Development Control"</p>	
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	<p>It was noted that nobody from The Friends had been consulted as referred to by Alison Brittain.</p> <p>It was agreed that Pat Kingwell would enquire about position of s106 funds; and that Corinne Turner would try to obtain a copy of the approved plans for next meeting.</p>	<p>Pat Kingwell Corinne Turner</p>
2.4	<p>Matters Arising – Photography Project Pat Kingwell confirmed that a grant of £800 had been awarded to The Friends by the Rotherhithe Community Council, and that the project would need to be completed by March 2012.</p> <p>It was agreed to set up a working group to organise the project, consisting of Pat Kingwell, Gary Magold, Claire Sexton and Ron Henocq.</p>	<p>Pat Kingwell</p>
2.5	<p>Matters Arising – Park Walkabouts Prior to the meeting a successful walkabout around Southwark Park had taken place, from which Andy Chatterton had gained a good insight into the various issues of concern to The Friends.</p> <p>It was agreed to hold a walkabout around King’s Stairs Gardens immediately before the next meeting on 10th August. Meet at Jubilee Stone at 4.45pm.</p>	
2.6	<p>Matters Arising – One o’clock Club Following concerns over opening hours raised at previous meeting Pat Kingwell had written to LBS for clarification, but had received no reply.</p> <p>It was agreed to ask Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai to check the position.</p>	<p>Pat Kingwell</p>
3.	<p>The Young Friends of Parks Representatives from Groundwork Southwark were unable to attend. Agreed to invite to our next meeting.</p>	
4.	<p>UK Power Networks Cable Tunnelling Works Proposals Sharon Lomas updated on the current position. LBS had met with UKPN, and Planning officers had informed the company that their proposals are not in line with the Metropolitan Open Land status of the park. While the company has not yet ruled out using Southwark Park it has indicated that other potential locations/options are being investigated.</p> <p>Gary Glover reported on the successful deputation to the Southwark Council Assembly, resulting in all-party support for our campaign of opposition. The Assembly praised the work of The Friends.</p> <p>Gary Glover said that some question marks remain over the early advice given to us by LBS officers about the extent to which UKPN’s proposals could be challenged.</p> <p>Pat Kingwell reported that the petition had received a lot of local support at both the Bermondsey and Rotherhithe carnivals, but needed one final push, before being submitted to UKPN. It was agreed to ask Surrey Quays Shopping Centre if we could collect names there on Saturday 6th August.</p>	<p>Pat Kingwell</p>

	Alison Clayburn said we need a simple leaflet to hand out both on the day, and to distribute around nearby housing estates and residences. Pat Kingwell agreed to produce copy, and Gary Glover said he could get some printed.	Pat Kingwell Gary Glover
5.	F.A. Albin and Sons Memorial Proposals This item was not discussed. Agreed to wait until the matter is raised again by either F.A. Albin or LBS.	
6.	Former Nursery Clearance Works Sharon Thomas circulated a consultation paper on criteria for potential lessees of the site. She asked for comments by 1 st August. A number of points were raised, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any future use must put public use and access high on the agenda – concerns were raised about the statement in the criteria “public access provided on occasion”. The Friends would like to be represented on any selection panel The residents of Gomm Road must be fully consulted The Council should review the essential criterion of incurring no cost on the project because without some financial support good community applicants might not get far. Concerns raised about commercial use as this would seem at first sight to be counter to the aim of bringing this part of the park back to the public access Refer to site as former nursery not fish farm Link future use to environmental awareness and education for young people and investigate possible use of s106 monies for that purpose. 	
7.	Thames Water Boreholes Proposals A site meeting with LBS officers and Thames Water has been arranged for 4pm on 27 th July.	
8.	Park Manager’s Report – Andy Chatterton Andy and Andrea were warmly welcomed to the meeting. Prior to the meeting they had been on a walkabout around Southwark Park with Friends, and a full list of issues had been raised, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children’s playground equipment repairs Lake fountain Water play feature Railings in Hawkstone Road Bandstand and tennis court graffiti Perimeter fencing holes Unauthorised access by neighbours Andy spoke to several of these and it was agreed he would report back on progress in more detail at the next meeting.	Andy Chatterton
9.	Art Gallery Update None given.	
10.	Bowling Club Update Jim Saunders said the club was looking forward to working with Andy Chatterton and Andrea Pita on outstanding issues, including the roof. Gary Glover asked if Andy could check if LBS insurance should cover the repairs.	Andy Chatterton
11.	King’s Stairs Garden Sewer Update	

	<p>Gary Glover updated the meeting on recent activities in KSG, and said that pressure needs to be maintained. An important decision is expected in September.</p> <p>Amanda Squires reported on the Butterfly Garden planting and a forthcoming party on 24 July noon-2pm</p>	
12.	<p>King's Stairs Grounds Report</p> <p>Andy Chatterton has been advised of a variety of issues.</p>	
13.	<p>King's Stairs Jubilee Stone</p> <p>Amanda Squires reported that a small inscription is going to be added and that discussions are being held with Royal Diamond Jubilee Trust over the stone and the Coronation tree in Southwark Park</p>	
14.	<p>Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Carnivals Feedback</p> <p>Phil Burkett said that initial feedback on the Bermondsey Carnival had been good, and he noted that Lee Thompson had been injured in a motoring accident shortly before the day, so credit for his performance.</p> <p>Gary Glover Said that the lead-in to this year had been especially difficult for Bermondsey Beat as the date of the event was not confirmed until very late in the day. As funding has been secured this should not be a problem next summer. Marjorie Hill thanked Phil and Russell Dryden for all their efforts.</p> <p>Jim Saunders felt the event was policed well, but raised concerns about use of Gomm gates for access.</p>	
15.	<p>Finances</p> <p>Marjorie Hill reported the latest balance as £2536.18.</p>	
16.	<p>Membership Report</p> <p>As the UKPN petition had generated a lot of interest it was agreed to contact those who had signed and offer them membership of the Friends of Southwark Park.</p>	Pat Kingwell
17.	<p>Friends of Southwark Park Website</p> <p>Pat Kingwell reported that the site is now up and running on www.thefriendsofsouthwarkpark.co.uk Thanks to David Gee.</p>	
18.	Any Other Business	
18.1	<p>Any Other Business – Former Lido Fountain</p> <p>Phil Burkett and others asked why the fountain has been left to deteriorate so badly. Given the success of the Rotherhithe Caryatides project, it was also asked if we could consider ways of improving the fountain. Agreed to discuss at next meeting, but in the meantime for Andy Chatterton to look into the matter.</p>	Andy Chatterton
18.2	<p>Any Other Business – Filming in the Park</p> <p>Jim Saunders raised concerns about permissions and control of film crews in the children's playground and other parts of the park. Agreed Andy Chatterton to discuss current arrangements with Paul Cowell and report back.</p>	Andy Chatterton
18.3	<p>Any Other Business – Old Photographs</p> <p>Dave Fisher appealed for people to dig out their old photographs of the park for possible use on the website.</p>	All
19.	<p>Dates of Future Meetings</p> <p>10th August – at St. Peter's Church, 72, Jamaica Road</p> <p>21st September – AGM – venue to be arranged</p>	



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General Meeting
12th October 2011 6.00pm at
The Clubroom, Rear of St. Peters Church, 72 Paradise Street, SE16

Agenda

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Notes of meeting of 10th August 2011 and Matters Arising (attached)**
- 3. Southwark Park Playroom Update – Southwark Council Officer**
- 4. Southwark Park Cafe – Max Nakrani LBS**
- 5. Former Nursery Update – Sharon Lomas LBS**
- 6. Fireworks Event - Gary Glover**
- 7. Improving our Marketing and Publicity – Amanda Squires**
- 8. Planning Matters – updates on:**
- 9. 122-124 Lower Road -The Yellow House (Ref: 04-AP-1160)**
- 10. 386 Southwark Park Road – Former Social Club (Ref: 11-AP-2390)**
- 11. Park Manager's Report – Andy Chatterton**
- 12. Young Friends of Parks update**
- 13. King's Stairs Gardens**
- 14. Jubilee Stone update**
- 15. King's Stairs Action Group issues**
- 16. Bowling Club Update – Jim Saunders/ Colin Smith**
- 17. Photography Project Update – Pat Kingwell**
- 18. LBS 'Filming in Southwark Park Guidelines' for comment (attached)**
- 19. London Parks and Green Spaces Forum Lottery Bid – Pat Kingwell**
- 20. Finances - Marjorie Hill**
- 21. Any Other Business**
- 22. Dates of Future Meetings**

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**Notes of Friends of Southwark Park General Meeting
 held on 10th August 2011 at
 The Clubroom, Rear of St. Peters Church, 72 Paradise Street, SE16**

In attendance:

Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Michael Daniels; Judith Deschamps; Dave Fisher; Lindsay Gowlett (Groundwork London); Marjorie Hill; Pat Kingwell; Jon Linstead; Stacey Linstead; Jean Price; Tracy Scales; Jenny Slaney; Donna Spedding; Amanda Squires; Corinne Turner; Susan Vaughan; George Witsey.

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Alison Clayburn; Ann Clayton; Gary Glover; Ron Henocq; Nick Lane; Sharon Lomas (London Borough of Southwark); Cllr. Catherine MacDonald; Louise Sheridan; Colin Smith	
2.	Notes of meeting of 13th July 2011 The notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising	
2.1.1	Matters Arising - Former Southwark Park Club Housing Development Pat Kingwell reported he had contacted Southwark Council's Section 106 team, and Zyad Al-Jawad had confirmed a sum of £16,505 is available to use for open space, sport and children's play purposes. It has yet to be committed. It was agreed to write to Southwark Council recommending that the monies be used for play/gym/water feature/hanging baskets. Andy Chatterton to be copied in. Corinne Turner to obtain copy of the approved plans for next meeting.	Pat Kingwell Corinne Turner
2.1.2	Matters Arising – One o'clock Club Pat Kingwell reported there had been no progress on concerns about service provision, but Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai was looking into it. It was agreed to invite Southwark Council officers responsible for the playroom to a future meeting.	Pat Kingwell
3.	Young Friends of Parks - Lindsay Gowlett Groundwork London Lindsay explained that her organisation has been commissioned by Southwark Council to promote the parks among young people, aged 13-19. In the past there had been groups for individual parks, but now there is a more general approach, but with specific activities for the main parks. Consultation with young people had shown that as far as Southwark Park is concerned the tennis courts and sports field attract most interest. It is felt there is a lack of events or equipment for the target age group. The summer programme can be	

	<p>found on http://london.groundwork.org.uk/news--events/events/2011/young-friends-of-parks.aspx?EventID=1036s and includes nature activities on 22nd August and Brazilian martial arts dancing on 26th August. It was agreed to get the Young Friends involved in the Photography Project.</p>	<p>Lindsay Gowlett Pat Kingwell</p>
4.	<p>King's Stairs Garden Issues Andy reported to the meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resa Mehmet, R & M Manager has provided a quote to tarmac terraced area = £1,336-42. • Terrace / Butterfly border to be added to the contract. • Lamp columns will be painted next week. • The rusted lamp column stump was tested & is live. A new feeder pillar needs to be erected nearby & the power supply transferred into it. I have asked for an estimate for the initial investigation and for the proposed works. <p>Prior to the meeting a walkabout had taken place with Andy Chatterton and about 10 members. Amanda Squires had produced a detailed briefing paper with 14 areas of concern. During the walkabout some additional items were noted, including missing finials on the riverside fencing. It was agreed that Andy would produce a progress report on action taken for each item at our next meeting.</p>	<p>Andy Chatterton</p>
5.	<p>UK Power Networks Cable Tunnelling Works Proposals Andy Chatterton passed on a message from Sharon Lomas that there has been no further news to report.</p> <p>Pat Kingwell reported that petitioning at Surrey Quays Shopping Centre on 6th August had been successful with about 500+ signatures added. It was agreed to submit the petition to UK Power Networks before our Annual General Meeting, plus also do a copy for Southwark Council. Thanks to all those who had taken part in petitioning over the summer.</p>	<p>Pat Kingwell</p>
6.	<p>Southwark Park Old Nursery Clearance Works Andy Chatterton, on behalf of Sharon Thomas, asked how The Friends would prefer to describe the site. It was agreed to recommend it be known as Southwark Park Old Nursery.</p> <p>Andy also reported that a report on the final criteria for a lessee is due to be provided to Cllr. Hargrove in September.</p> <p>A discussion on how to get the residents of Ann Moss Way more involved. Tracy Scales and George Witsey felt that once the fencing works adjacent to the site impacted, the residents would be more vocal.</p>	
7.	<p>Thames Water Boreholes Proposals Amanda Squires, Dave Fisher and Pat Kingwell reported back on the site meeting with LBS officers and Thames Water on 27th July. Thames Water's borehole plans and images were tabled for information.</p>	
8.	<p>Park Manager's Report – Andy Chatterton reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Water Play Feature</u> – parts have been fitted, but the water does not cut out now and it has to be switched off manually - Resa Mehmet R & M Manager to investigate. • <u>Café Noticeboard</u> – Purchase Order raised, AC will chase up repair date • <u>Unauthorised Access</u> – letters have not been sent as yet / Swedish Church originally granted licence, but it may be cancelled in the near future / Planning Application 04/AP/1160 will be investigated regarding 122-124 Lower Road. • <u>Bowling Green Observation Report</u> – received and it has been reviewed with QSL. AC has e-mailed JS today and a hard copy will be provided for reference. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Lake Fountain</u> – one quote received 4,288.33 plus vat – no progress to date. • <u>Lido Fountain</u> – no progress has been made to date, but was viewed with Resa Mehmet – R & M Manager and further investigations will now be undertaken. • <u>Hanging Baskets</u> – due to be removed at the end of September unless funding can be obtained beforehand. The cost for Southwark Park at present is £3420 for Carriageway and £1080 for Bandstand. Total - £4500. Chris Cook has asked London Tideway Tunnels for sponsorship, but no feedback to date / Funds from filming cannot be guaranteed, but he has asked Southwark Film Office to confirm the amount last year and to date this year. • <u>Filming</u> – After recent base by Whitechapel Productions and the subsequent access complaints, the film section will be providing guidelines for use in parks. 	
9.	Photography Project Update Pat Kingwell reported that Gary Magold, Time and Talents Youth group and Cafe Gallery had agreed to be involved in developing the project. Ron Henocq has allocated a two week gallery slot in early March 2012 for the exhibition. Local primary schools to be invited to participate. Publicity materials to be disseminated by September.	Pat Kingwell
10.	Bowling Club Update None given.	
11.	Finances Marjorie Hill reported the latest balance as just over £3,000. It was agreed to use some of the money to purchase publicity boards for use at events etc., in order to give the group a more professional image. Pat Kingwell reported that the Heritage Lottery Fund has approved the third and final payment on the Our Park project amounting to £1,090.	
12.	Membership Report Pat Kingwell reported back that those with e-mail contacts who had signed our UKPN petition had been asked if they would be willing to be considered as members, and several had replied positively, and nobody had objected to the idea. In this way there are now over 400 additional people considered as Friends of Southwark Park. It was agreed to also find an efficient and economical way of contacting the remaining 2000+ signatories in order to make a similar membership offer.	
13.	Any Other Business	
13.1	Any Other Business – Wildlife Area Lindsay Gowlett expressed an interest in using the area for the Young Friends of the Parks, and it was agreed Andy Chatterton would liaise to see what possibilities there are.	Andy Chatterton Lindsay Gowlett
13.2	Any Other Business – Ada Salter Garden Michael Daniels commented how beautiful the garden is looking, and wondered if it might be considered for entry into competitions or awards. It was agreed Andy Chatterton would discuss with Quadron.	Andy Chatterton
13.3	Any Other Business – Publicity Dave Fisher suggested we use the Tesco community notice boards to advertise our activities.	Pat Kingwell
13.4	Any Other Business – Butterfly Garden Dave Fisher suggested the park should have a butterfly garden.	
14.	Dates of Future Meetings 21st September – AGM – at The Clubroom, rear of St. Peter’s Church, 72, Paradise Street, SE16 12th October – General meeting – venue to be arranged 16th November – General meeting – venue to be arranged	

Guidelines for Filming/Unit Parking in Southwark Park

Southwark Park is a much loved amenity for local people. The council takes its responsibilities to the users of the park very seriously. Film events and unit parking is tolerated, but only if the following terms and conditions are followed.

- Please do not cause any destruction to property, signage, grass verges or flower beds in the park. If any damage is caused, your company will be liable to pay for the repairs plus any administration fees incurred.
- No obstruction to park staff or general public – if you need temporary pedestrian or traffic holds these must be agreed beforehand.
- Permission must be sought to drive vehicles on the pedestrian walkways through the park.
- If driving vehicles through the park, all drivers must obey the speed limit (5mph).
- No rubbish to be left in the park on departure. If any rubbish is found, this will be treated as fly tipping and the film company will be fined.
- Keys to the park will be provided if required, but if these are lost, a fine of £500 must be paid, because locks will have to be changed.
- If the park is unlocked outside park opening times, security staff (paid for by the film company) must be on duty at all times.
- UNIT PARKING: The film unit vehicles must park on one side of the carriageway only.
- UNIT PARKING: Please ask all vehicles to beware of the speed bumps – these are particularly high and can cause damage to vehicles. We advise that these are taken at a very slow pace.
- Please be polite and courteous to park users at all times. Please be quiet at night, there are residential properties all around the park.

Provided by Paul Cowell
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Events, Film and 2012 Manager



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General Meeting
16th November 2011 6.00pm at
The Clubroom, Rear of St. Peters Church, 72 Paradise Street, SE16

Agenda

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Notes of meeting of 12th October 2011 and Matters Arising (attached)**
- 3. Southwark Park Playroom Update – Southwark Council Officer (to be confirmed)**
- 4. Former Nursery Update – Sharon Lomas LBS**
- 5. Park Manager's Report – Andy Chatterton LBS**
- 6. Planning Matters – updates on:**
- 7. 122-124 Lower Road -The Yellow House (Ref: 04-AP-1160)**
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**Notes of Friends of Southwark Park General Meeting
 held on 12th October 2011 at
 The Clubroom, Rear of St. Peters Church, 72 Paradise Street, SE16**

In attendance:

Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Alison Clayburn; Jean Cunliffe; Michael Daniels; Judith Deschamps; Dave Fisher; Gary Glover; Pat Kingwell; Gary Magold; Max Nakrani (London Borough of Southwark); Jim Saunders; Amanda Squires; Colin Smith; Susan Vaughan

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Lindsay Gowlett (Groundwork Southwark); Ron Henocq; Marjorie Hill; Sharon Lomas (LBS); Corinne Turner;	
2.	Notes of meeting of 10th August 2011 The notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising	
2.1.1	Matters Arising - 386 Southwark Park Road Section 106 monies Pat Kingwell reported he had informed Des Waters of our priorities for the use of the £16,505 available, i.e. children's play equipment; additional gym; water feature improvements; and hanging baskets. Progress on this will be subject to the outcome of the planning application (see 8.2 below).	
3.	Southwark Park Playroom Update Pat Kingwell reported that Scotchrita Brown-Elliston (LBS) had confirmed that an officer would attend the meeting, but nobody came, nor were apologies sent. Agreed to offer another invitation to Scotchrita for our next meeting.	Pat Kingwell
4.	Southwark Park Cafe Max Nakrani (LBS) explained that in order to keep a service going the current cafe operators had been brought in at short notice following the demise of the previous business. The Council is now looking for a more long-term arrangement through a procurement process, which should see a formal agreement with an operator in place by November 2012. In the meantime Max requested ideas from The Friends for the service specification he is developing. It was agreed that when it is ready Max provide us with a copy of draft specification for comment. Max also asked for comments on the current service, and in the following discussion a number of points were made: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The way BOSCO use a canopy to increase space is a good example to follow • The cafe should operate ice-cream van in the park to help solve the problem of traffic nuisance in Gomm Road • The quality of food has gone down and the staff should be more friendly 	Max Nakrani

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The internal arrangements made by current operators has led to insufficient space and tables – it seems designed more for the operators needs than customers There is a lack of space for information, leaflets etc. The cafe is far too small for a park of such size and public use <p>Any other comments send to max.nakrani@southwark.gov.uk</p>	All
5.	<p>Southwark Park Old Nursery Update</p> <p>Max Nakrani, on behalf of Sharon Lomas, reported some delay in the signing-off of the documentation, but the target is to send out a pre-qualification questionnaire to potential lessees by 14th November 2011 with a deadline for return by 23 December 2011. The intention is to have a lessee in place by March 2012.</p> <p>On the clearance works fencing repairs are due to commence in October 2011.</p> <p>Gary Magold pointed out that on certain Southwark Council plans and maps the site is not indicated as part of Southwark Park, which it has been since 1869 at least. It was agreed to ask for this to be rectified on the Council's GIS and other maps and plans.</p>	Pat Kingwell
6.	<p>Fireworks Event</p> <p>Gary Glover reported that due to objections by residents and councillors the proposed Fireworks event in Dulwich Park had been cancelled. The Council has agreed to relocate to Southwark Park on 5th November. The meeting agreed that Dulwich's loss is Bermondsey and Rotherhithe's gain.</p>	
7.	<p>Improving our Marketing and Publicity</p> <p>Amanda Squires led a discussion on the need to improve our marketing and publicity. This had been very apparent during the petitioning carried out during the summer. She showed some portable banners and accompanying leaflets. It was agreed to allocate up to £500 for Amanda to develop banners and leaflets for The Friends.</p>	Amanda Squires
8.	Planning Matters Update	
8.1	<p>122-124 Lower Road -The Yellow House (Ref: 04-AP-1160)</p> <p>Pat Kingwell reported how Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai had pursued this for us, and had been advised by Gary Rice (LBS) that planning permission for this site did not include access into the park. The Planning enforcement team is to investigate. Agreed we ask Planning for a further update.</p>	Pat Kingwell
8.2	<p>386 Southwark Park Road – Former Social Club (Ref: 11-AP-2390)</p> <p>Again Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai had pursued this for us, and had raised our concerns about consultation. Corinne Turner had also sent in written comments on the application. Agreed we ask Planning for a further update. NB The application was refused permission on 20th October 2011</p>	
9.	<p>Park Manager's Report – Andy Chatterton</p> <p>Andy reported:</p> <p><u>Southwark Park</u></p> <p><u>Bowling Green Enclosure</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The new double gates have recently been installed. End of season maintenance is being undertaken as recommended in the Rigby Taylor report. The green has been scarified and a machine has been hired in by Parks & Open Spaces to undertake hollow tining. The remaining operations are currently on-going and they will be completed in the near future. Inbowls & Leisure Limited have provided a quotation to undertake annual maintenance and to clean the artificial playing surface. A contract will be set up once the operations have been completed. <p><u>Moreton Terrace Entrance</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The hazardous section of the path has now been resurfaced. 	

	<p><u>Office</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A new entrance has been created at the front of the office in order to accommodate a visitor centre and the adjacent hard surface has been resurfaced. <p><u>Boot Camp Training</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The trainer is no longer operating in the park. <p><u>SB Security</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A number of complaints have been received recently and they will be addressed directly with the contractor, as soon as possible. <p><u>Spring Bulbs</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Woodland mixed daffodils have been purchased and a large amount of them will be planted in the hedge base from Moreton Terrace to Christchurch Gate, with the support of the Community Payback Team. Some have already been planted in front of the Caryatides and surplus bulbs will be available for planting in KSG. <p><u>Water Main Replacement</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Works to replace the main from China Hall Gate to Hawkstone Road, are due to commence from 17th October. The area will be fenced off whilst the work is being undertaken and funds will be given to Parks & Open Spaces, for reinstating the grass. <p><u>Community Nature Area / Community Allotments</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A meeting took place this morning with Groundwork to explore a number of avenues for usage during office hours and possible weekends. Further information will be provided at the next meeting. <p><u>Trees</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The recent concern of low branches from the carriageway to the gallery, has been passed to the tree section for further investigation and action. <p><u>Outstanding Items</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The water feature items and the bowling green roof repairs are on-going, but some research is being undertaken in order to progress with these items. Letters to the residents who have created unauthorized access, have yet to be sent. <p>King's Stairs Gardens</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lighting continues to be a problem, but it is being looked into and hopefully it will be resolved in the near future. A new metal knee rail will be installed in the near future to join up with the existing rail in Fulford Street / Paradise Street. All of the dangerous paths identified in item 2, have now been resurfaced. New bollards have been installed at the areas identified in items 12 & 13. The issue of the missing finials will be reviewed by a structural engineer. A water leak by the church has now been resolved. Landscaping works will be undertaken to reinstate the area, plus similar on the opposite side. 	
10.	<p>Young Friends of Parks Update</p> <p>None given, but during the discussion Gary Magold noted that in his past experience it was not only the children who benefited from Young Friends' activities, but also parents who made social contact with each other. Although allowing young people their own space was important, so too is getting parents involved.</p>	
11.	King's Stairs Gardens	
11.1	<p>Jubilee Stone update</p> <p>Amanda Squires had prepared some wording and a design which was agreed. Amanda to forward to Christopher Cook.</p>	Amanda Squires
11.2	King's Stairs Action Group issues	

	No report but all urged to attend the next Action Group meeting on 8 th November 8pm at The Clubroom, Rear of St. Peters Church, 72 Paradise Street, SE16	
12.	<p>Bowling Club Update Jim Saunders and Colin Smith noted that Andy had covered most of their news in his report. The club thanked Andy for his efforts on their behalf since coming into post.</p> <p>The London marathon plaque remains to be installed.</p> <p>On the playing side the past season had seen some success, and the use of the artificial surface by the Riverside Disability Group was mentioned.</p>	
13.	<p>Photography Project Update Pat Kingwell reported that leaflets had been produced (designed by Debra Gosling) and had been left in a number of community locations. More need to be circulated and members took some away to do so. To improve publicity it was suggested the leaflets be blown up for park notice boards and the project also publicised on SE16 website.</p> <p>Pat confirmed that Albion Primary school has agreed to participate, and it is expected Rotherhithe Primary will do the same.</p>	Pat Kingwell
14.	<p>LBS 'Filming in Southwark Park Guidelines' A draft set of guidelines had been sent by Paul Cowell (LBS) for comment. A number of revisions were suggested to be sent to Paul.</p>	Pat Kingwell
15.	<p>London Parks and Green Spaces Forum Lottery Bid Pat Kingwell reported that LPGSF had approached the group about taking part in their London-wide application to the Heritage Lottery Fund aimed at improving support for friends of parks groups plus a small capital project in each participating park. It was agreed we give in-principle support and that the development of communication/marketing be our priority. Hanging baskets our capital project.</p>	Pat Kingwell
16.	<p>Finances No report</p>	
17.	Any Other Business	
17.1	<p>Wildlife Area Question asked about apparent underuse of the facility, and Andy Chatterton mentioned that Jon Best, Ecology Officer, had recently been working with corporate volunteers. Andy reminded us that he is the best first point of contact for groups wishing to use the wildlife area – andy.chatterton@southwark.gov.uk.</p>	
17.2	<p>Dangerous cycling Jim Saunders raised the issue again as the problem persists and is getting worse. Agreed we invite John Reid and Ann Warren of Southwark Cyclists to our next meeting.</p>	Pat Kingwell
17.3	<p>Bermondsey Carnival Committee Gary Magold alerted us to a meeting of the Committee to be held on 15th November 6pm at Southwark Park Estate Tenants Hall below Layard Square and behind the petrol garage. The meeting is to help lobby the Council to ensure the best 2012 Carnival we can get – all welcome.</p>	
18.	<p>Dates of Future Meetings 16th November – General meeting – at The Clubroom, Rear of St. Peters Church, 72 Paradise Street, SE16</p>	



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18th January 2012 6.00pm at
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In attendance:

Jean Cunliffe; Michael Daniels; Judith Deschamps; Dave Fisher; Gary Glover; Colin Hartridge-Price; Mick Hannon; Pat Kingwell; Nick Lane; Sharon Lomas (London Borough of Southwark); Gary Magold; Andrea Pita (London Borough of Southwark); John Reid (London Borough of Southwark); Jim Saunders; Tracy Scales; Sue Sexton; Donna Spedding; Amanda Squires; Colin Smith; Susan Vaughan; Cllr Veronica Ward; George Witsey

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Alison Clayburn; Ron Henocq; Marjorie Hill; Rt. Hon. Simon Hughes M.P.; Jon Linstead; Stacy Linstead; Louise Sheridan; Corinne Turner;	
2.	Notes of meeting of 12th October 2011 The notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising	
2.1.1	Fireworks Event Feeling was it had been very successful with large crowds and no security problems. Again next year, please!	
2.1.2	Marketing and Publicity Amanda Squires and Gary Magold were due to meet soon to agree on the photographs to be used on pop-up banners.	Amanda Squires Gary Magold
2.1.3	Dangerous Cycling John Reid reported he had observed cycling at various times to see the extent of the problem. He had intervened when seeing dangerous cycling. He noted that soon he will have the powers to stop offending cyclists and issue a fixed penalty notice. However the key criterion for doing so is if the cyclist is causing alarm and stress, which is not so straightforward to ascertain. The discussion cited numerous incidents of anti-social cycling both within Southwark Park and King's Stairs Gardens. It was agreed John Reid and Andy Chatterton should meet to discuss realistic interventions to improve matters, including making provision for signs.	John Reid Andy Chatterton
2.1.4	Bermondsey Carnival 2012 Gary Glover reported that the Carnival Committee had agreed to hold the event in Southwark Park on Saturday 2 nd June. A Jubilee celebration event in KSG on 3 rd June is also a possibility. There was general comment about Southwark Council's apparent reluctance to spend adequate money to support a Jubilee event.	
3.	Southwark Park Playroom Update Again Southwark Council officers did not attend or send apologies. Agreed to take up with Cllr. Catherine MacDonald, Cabinet Member for Children's Services.	Pat Kingwell

4.	<p>Sports Centre Cllr Veronica Ward, Cabinet Member for Culture, Leisure, Sport and The Olympics attended and gave an outline of funding developments for the centre. Southwark Council recently approved £370,000 towards the costs of upgrading the facility, which may cost between c£1.3m. External grants are being sought by the Council, including from The Mayor of London. A number of points were raised in discussion, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirmation of exactly what will be upgraded – does it include a new football pitch? • Future management and maintenance • Pricing - will local schools and youths be able to afford to use the centre • Timetable for implementation. <p>It was agreed to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obtain a copy of the scheme proposal • Invite officers to a meeting to provide some more in depth information • Invite The Mayor of London’s advisor, Kate Hoey, to a site visit 	Pat Kingwell
5.	<p>Southwark Park Old Nursery Update Sharon Lomas reported that adverts inviting expressions of interest from organisations to manage the site were imminent. Applicants will then be assessed and ‘credit-checked’, and a short-list of potential users drawn up by spring 2012. The intention is to have a lessee in place by summer 2012.</p> <p>Gary Glover reiterated the wish of The Friends to be involved in the selection process and reminded the meeting that this had been so in the past for the major restoration project. The importance of keeping Gomm Road residents involved and informed was emphasised. Sharon said she would look into the possible arrangements.</p> <p>Tracy Scales and George Witsey commented favourably on the fencing repairs which had been carried out to the rear of Gomm Road properties.</p>	Sharon Lomas
6.	Planning Matters Update	
6.1	<p>122-124 Lower Road -The Yellow House (Ref: 04-AP-1160) Pat Kingwell reported that he had asked Gary Rice (LBS) for a progress report from the Planning enforcement team, but had yet to receive one. Agreed to chase up.</p>	Pat Kingwell
6.2	<p>386 Southwark Park Road – Former Social Club (Ref: 11-AP-2390) It appears the application was refused permission on 20th October 2011. Thanks extended to Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai and Corinne Turner for their work on this.</p>	
6.3	<p>Opposite 147 Lower Road – Advertising Signs (Ref:11/AP/3346) Local residents had alerted us to a proposal for advertising signs on the pavement adjacent to the China Hall/Lower Road side of Southwark Park. It was agreed we should oppose because of cluttering the pavement; reducing the views into the park and the potential distraction to drivers on an already busy and dangerous road.</p>	Pat Kingwell
7.	<p>Park Manager’s Report – Andrea Pita reported: <u>Southwark Park</u></p> <p><u>Bowling Green Enclosure</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • End of season maintenance has been completed as recommended in the Rigby Taylor report. Some additional works have been issued to Bayliss Landscape Contractors Ltd, following a site meeting on 19th October, Jim Saunders was in attendance. • Bayliss Landscape Contractors Ltd will also be carrying out some remedial works to the artificial bowls rink in the near future and an additional quotation will then be provided for maintenance services 2 or 3 times per year. <p><u>SB Security</u></p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A full gate audit has recently been undertaken and a purchase requisition has been raised to supply padlocks / chains as necessary. SB Security will be advised as soon as the order has been received. <p><u>Spring Bulbs</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Woodland mixed daffodils have been planted in the hedge base from Moreton Terrace to Christchurch Gate by QSL / Parks Team and the remaining surplus bulbs will be planted in KSG close to Rotherhithe roundabout. <p><u>Café Gallery</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The low branches from the carriageway to the gallery have now been lifted. A site meeting will take place week commencing 21st November to discuss provision of a small free standing notice board and some cycle racks. <p><u>King's Stairs Gardens</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some of the faulty lamp columns are now working and it is hoped the remaining issues will be resolved in the near future. A new metal knee rail has been installed and joined up with the existing rail in Fulford Street / Paradise Street. An additional bollard has been installed at the area adjacent to No 1 Fulford Street and it is believed the cyclist problem has now been resolved. 	
8.	King's Stairs Gardens	
8.1	Queen Elizabeth 2nd Fields Challenge Donna Spedding said that KSG has been put forward for consideration under this nationwide programme. See http://www.fieldsintrust.org/QEII.aspx for context.	
8.2	Thames Water Proposals Donna Spedding reported that despite recent positive moves over the project Thames Water Phase 2 consultation still requires us to reiterate our opposition to KSG being used in the project. Agreed we send a letter to Thames Water.	Pat Kingwell
8.3	Rare Bat Donna Spedding reported that a rare bat has been recorded at KSG – apparently the first sighting in Southwark.	
9.	Bowling Club Update Jim Saunders and Colin Smith raised concerns about the current condition of the artificial rink, which due to incorrect maintenance, has a covering of moss. The London Marathon plaque remains to be installed. The pavilion roof is an eyesore. Agreed we write to LBS urging a solution.	Pat Kingwell
10.	Photography Project Update Pat Kingwell reported that after a slow start entries had been submitted in greater numbers, and both Albion Primary and Rotherhithe Primary schools are involved.	
11.	Young Friends of Parks Update – no report given.	
12.	Finances – no update given	
13.	Any Other Business	
13.1	Offer of Memorial Bench Gary Glover reported John Merritt had offered a bench for Southwark Park in memory of a friend. Sharon Lomas said the Council was developing a policy on the issue.	
13.2	Cleaner Greener Safer 2012/13 Programme The deadline for applications is 6 th January 2012. After discussion it was agreed to put forward a landscape improvement idea for the land near the Wildlife area and Albin's Memorial Garden.	Pat Kingwell
14.	Dates of Future General Meetings 18th January 2012 15th February 2012 14th March 2012 18th April 2012 All at The Park Office, near to the Cafe in Southwark Park	



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12. King's Stairs Gardens
13. Jubilee Stone update – Chris Cook LBS
14. King's Stairs Action Group issues – Michael Daniels
15. Bowling Club Update – Jim Saunders/ Colin Smith
16. Young Friends of Parks update
17. Finances
18. Any Other Business
19. Dates of Future Meetings

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**Notes of Friends of Southwark Park General Meeting
 held on 16th November 2011 at
 The Clubroom, Rear of St. Peters Church, 72 Paradise Street, SE16**

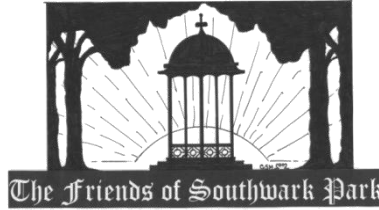
In attendance:

Jean Cunliffe; Michael Daniels; Judith Deschamps; Dave Fisher; Gary Glover; Colin Hartridge-Price; Mick Hannon; Pat Kingwell; Nick Lane; Sharon Lomas (London Borough of Southwark); Gary Magold; Andrea Pita (London Borough of Southwark); John Reid (London Borough of Southwark); Jim Saunders; Tracy Scales; Sue Sexton; Donna Spedding; Amanda Squires; Colin Smith; Susan Vaughan; Cllr Veronica Ward; George Witsey

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Alison Clayburn; Ron Henocq; Marjorie Hill; Rt. Hon. Simon Hughes M.P.; Jon Linstead; Stacy Linstead; Louise Sheridan; Corinne Turner;	
2.	Notes of meeting of 12th October 2011 The notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising	
2.1.1	Fireworks Event Feeling was it had been very successful with large crowds and no security problems. Again next year, please!	
2.1.2	Marketing and Publicity Amanda Squires and Gary Magold were due to meet soon to agree on the photographs to be used on pop-up banners.	Amanda Squires Gary Magold
2.1.3	Dangerous Cycling John Reid reported he had observed cycling at various times to see the extent of the problem. He had intervened when seeing dangerous cycling. He noted that soon he will have the powers to stop offending cyclists and issue a fixed penalty notice. However the key criterion for doing so is if the cyclist is causing alarm and stress, which is not so straightforward to ascertain. The discussion cited numerous incidents of anti-social cycling both within Southwark Park and King's Stairs Gardens. It was agreed John Reid and Andy Chatterton should meet to discuss realistic interventions to improve matters, including making provision for signs.	John Reid Andy Chatterton
2.1.4	Bermondsey Carnival 2012 Gary Glover reported that the Carnival Committee had agreed to hold the event in Southwark Park on Saturday 2 nd June. A Jubilee celebration event in KSG on 3 rd June is also a possibility. There was general comment about Southwark Council's apparent reluctance to spend adequate money to support a Jubilee event.	
3.	Southwark Park Playroom Update Again Southwark Council officers did not attend or send apologies. Agreed to take up with Cllr. Catherine MacDonald, Cabinet Member for Children's Services.	Pat Kingwell

4.	<p>Sports Centre Cllr Veronica Ward, Cabinet Member for Culture, Leisure, Sport and The Olympics attended and gave an outline of funding developments for the centre. Southwark Council recently approved £370,000 towards the costs of upgrading the facility, which may cost between c£1.3m. External grants are being sought by the Council, including from The Mayor of London. A number of points were raised in discussion, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirmation of exactly what will be upgraded – does it include a new football pitch? • Future management and maintenance • Pricing - will local schools and youths be able to afford to use the centre • Timetable for implementation. <p>It was agreed to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obtain a copy of the scheme proposal • Invite officers to a meeting to provide some more in depth information • Invite The Mayor of London’s advisor, Kate Hoey, to a site visit 	Pat Kingwell
5.	<p>Southwark Park Old Nursery Update Sharon Lomas reported that adverts inviting expressions of interest from organisations to manage the site were imminent. Applicants will then be assessed and ‘credit-checked’, and a short-list of potential users drawn up by spring 2012. The intention is to have a lessee in place by summer 2012.</p> <p>Gary Glover reiterated the wish of The Friends to be involved in the selection process and reminded the meeting that this had been so in the past for the major restoration project. The importance of keeping Gomm Road residents involved and informed was emphasised. Sharon said she would look into the possible arrangements.</p> <p>Tracy Scales and George Witsey commented favourably on the fencing repairs which had been carried out to the rear of Gomm Road properties.</p>	Sharon Lomas
6.	Planning Matters Update	
6.1	<p>122-124 Lower Road -The Yellow House (Ref: 04-AP-1160) Pat Kingwell reported that he had asked Gary Rice (LBS) for a progress report from the Planning enforcement team, but had yet to receive one. Agreed to chase up.</p>	Pat Kingwell
6.2	<p>386 Southwark Park Road – Former Social Club (Ref: 11-AP-2390) It appears the application was refused permission on 20th October 2011. Thanks extended to Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai and Corinne Turner for their work on this.</p>	
6.3	<p>Opposite 147 Lower Road – Advertising Signs (Ref:11/AP/3346) Local residents had alerted us to a proposal for advertising signs on the pavement adjacent to the China Hall/Lower Road side of Southwark Park. It was agreed we should oppose because of cluttering the pavement; reducing the views into the park and the potential distraction to drivers on an already busy and dangerous road.</p>	Pat Kingwell
7.	<p>Park Manager’s Report – Andrea Pita reported:</p> <p><u>Southwark Park</u></p> <p><u>Bowling Green Enclosure</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • End of season maintenance has been completed as recommended in the Rigby Taylor report. Some additional works have been issued to Bayliss Landscape Contractors Ltd, following a site meeting on 19th October, Jim Saunders was in attendance. • Bayliss Landscape Contractors Ltd will also be carrying out some remedial works to the artificial bowls rink in the near future and an additional quotation will then be provided for maintenance services 2 or 3 times per year. <p><u>SB Security</u></p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A full gate audit has recently been undertaken and a purchase requisition has been raised to supply padlocks / chains as necessary. SB Security will be advised as soon as the order has been received. <p><u>Spring Bulbs</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Woodland mixed daffodils have been planted in the hedge base from Moreton Terrace to Christchurch Gate by QSL / Parks Team and the remaining surplus bulbs will be planted in KSG close to Rotherhithe roundabout. <p><u>Café Gallery</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The low branches from the carriageway to the gallery have now been lifted. A site meeting will take place week commencing 21st November to discuss provision of a small free standing notice board and some cycle racks. <p><u>King's Stairs Gardens</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some of the faulty lamp columns are now working and it is hoped the remaining issues will be resolved in the near future. A new metal knee rail has been installed and joined up with the existing rail in Fulford Street / Paradise Street. An additional bollard has been installed at the area adjacent to No 1 Fulford Street and it is believed the cyclist problem has now been resolved. 	
8.	King's Stairs Gardens	
8.1	Queen Elizabeth 2nd Fields Challenge Donna Spedding said that KSG has been put forward for consideration under this nationwide programme. See http://www.fieldsintrust.org/QEII.aspx for context.	
8.2	Thames Water Proposals Donna Spedding reported that despite recent positive moves over the project Thames Water Phase 2 consultation still requires us to reiterate our opposition to KSG being used in the project. Agreed we send a letter to Thames Water.	Pat Kingwell
8.3	Rare Bat Donna Spedding reported that a rare bat has been recorded at KSG – apparently the first sighting in Southwark.	
9.	Bowling Club Update Jim Saunders and Colin Smith raised concerns about the current condition of the artificial rink, which due to incorrect maintenance, has a covering of moss. The London Marathon plaque remains to be installed. The pavilion roof is an eyesore. Agreed we write to LBS urging a solution.	Pat Kingwell
10.	Photography Project Update Pat Kingwell reported that after a slow start entries had been submitted in greater numbers, and both Albion Primary and Rotherhithe Primary schools are involved.	
11.	Young Friends of Parks Update – no report given.	
12.	Finances – no update given	
13.	Any Other Business	
13.1	Offer of Memorial Bench Gary Glover reported John Merritt had offered a bench for Southwark Park in memory of a friend. Sharon Lomas said the Council was developing a policy on the issue.	
13.2	Cleaner Greener Safer 2012/13 Programme The deadline for applications is 6 th January 2012. After discussion it was agreed to put forward a landscape improvement idea for the land near the Wildlife area and Albin's Memorial Garden.	Pat Kingwell
14.	Dates of Future General Meetings 18th January 2012 15th February 2012 14th March 2012 18th April 2012 All at The Park Office, near to the Cafe in Southwark Park	



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General Meeting
15th February 2012 6.00pm at
The Park Office, near to the Cafe in Southwark Park

Agenda

1. Apologies
2. Notes of meeting of 18th January 2012 and Matters Arising (attached)
3. Former Nursery Update – Sharon Lomas LBS
4. ‘I Love Jamaica Day’ Event – Gary Glover/Pat Kingwell
5. Park Manager’s Report – Andy Chatterton LBS
6. Photography Project Update – Pat Kingwell
7. King’s Stairs Gardens Issues – Amanda Squires/Michael Daniels
8. Bowling Club Update – Jim Saunders/Colin Smith
9. Gallery Update – Ron Henocq
10. Planning Matters – updates if available on:
11. 122-124 Lower Road -The Yellow House (Ref: 04-AP-1160)
12. Opposite 147 Lower Road – Advertising Signs (Ref: 11/AP/3346)
13. Finances – Marjorie Hill
14. Any Other Business
15. Dates of Future Meetings

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**Notes of Friends of Southwark Park General Meeting
 held on 18th January 2012 at
 The Park Office, Southwark Park**

In attendance:

Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Jean Cunliffe; Michael Daniels; Judith Deschamps; Dave Fisher; Gary Glover; Colin Hartridge-Price; Pat Kingwell; Jim Saunders; Tracy Scales; Mike Smith (London Borough of Southwark); Amanda Squires; Colin Smith; Susan Vaughan; George Witsey

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Alison Clayburn; Rt. Hon. Simon Hughes M.P.; Sharon Lomas (London Borough of Southwark); Gary Magold; Sue Sexton	
2.	Notes of meeting of 16th November 2011 It was agreed item 2.1.3 about dangerous cycling should better reflect the discussion. It was agreed that while there had been concerns expressed about incidents of anti-social cycling in Southwark Park and King's Stairs Gardens, John Reid had also reported his morning observations of the large majority of cyclists riding responsibly in the former. He had to speak to two cyclists although they were not cycling particularly fast. Otherwise the notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising	
2.1.1	Marketing and Publicity Amanda Squires, Gary Magold and Pat Kingwell had progressed wording of the banners. Implementation will happen after the photography exhibition in March.	
2.1.2	Bermondsey Carnival 2012 Gary Glover reported that the Carnival Committee had met and copies of most recent meeting notes could be obtained from Phil Burkett of Bermondsey Beat.	
2.1.3	Sports Centre Pat Kingwell reported that following Cllr Veronica Ward's attendance at the November meeting Southwark Council officers advise that the Council has allocated £370,000 towards the costs of upgrading the facility. External grants are also being sought, including from The Mayor of London's Facility Fund – the scheme has reached round 2 of that process. The proposal is to replace the athletics track; reinstate a full size astro pitch and refurbish the building. The existing boundary will not be changed and there will be no MUGAs or improvements to the grass pitches. As yet there are no detailed plans or timetable to consult on. It was agreed to ask Simon Hughes to help arrange a site visit by The Mayor of London's advisor, Kate Hoey.	Gary Glover
3.	Southwark Park Playroom Update	

	<p>Mike Smith, Head of Early Intervention at Southwark Council, attended and gave an update on the playroom. He outlined the large budget cuts facing the Council which is leading to a review of services and the search for new ways of operating and more efficient use of assets. The key points for Southwark Park Playroom are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Council's intends to retain a service in the park • The future management may be through a third party provider, such as existing Children's Centres in Redriff and Rotherhithe <p>In the discussion questions were asked about current opening times and Mike indicated that over a 4 week period the playroom was open three days a week for three weeks, and four days a week for one week.</p> <p>Concerns were raised about the level of public information about the service, including the content and quality of signage.</p> <p>A question was raised about the use of the large metal container near the playroom.</p> <p>The point was also made that The Friends would like to have better contacts with the staff at the playroom as we are very supportive of the valuable work they do.</p> <p>Mike agreed to look into these issues and report back.</p>	Mike Smith
4.	<p>Photography Project Update</p> <p>Pat Kingwell reported a good response, with over 130 adult entries and 40 from Albion Primary School. The judging of the entries by a panel of local people was underway and the exhibition will be held at The Gallery from 17-25th March.</p>	
5.	<p>Southwark Park Old Nursery Update</p> <p>On behalf of Sharon Lomas Andy Chatterton reported that the contract letting process had begun and was at the early pre-qualification questionnaire stage. After this tenders will go out and the aim is to have a selected lessee by summer 2012. Gary Glover reiterated the wish of The Friends to be involved in the selection process and it was agreed to remind Sharon of our interest.</p>	Sharon Lomas
6.	<p>Park Manager's Report</p> <p>Andy Chatterton reported on a range of issues and was asked for certain information for next meeting:</p> <p><u>Artificial Bowling Green</u> – Bayliss can treat the problem and will adhere to manufacturer's specification. Gary Glover asked about the future maintenance plan.</p> <p><u>Bowling Pavilion Roof</u> – clarity sought about the planning permission issues and type of replacement material – Andy to check.</p> <p><u>Memorial benches</u> – applicants must write to Parks for permission</p> <p>In the discussion several matters were raised for Andy's attention:</p> <p><u>Play Area</u> – broken roundabout needs fixing</p> <p><u>Young trees in play area broken</u> – can tree officer investigate</p> <p><u>Hawkstone car park</u> – needs sweeping</p> <p><u>Lake</u> – islands need tidying and loose wire removing and damaged silver birches need attending</p> <p><u>Lake maintenance/Quadron's contract</u> – we want to see what is specified</p> <p><u>KSG Lighting</u> – very ineffective and globes need replacing. Recognising the costs of a full improvement may be high so can we have a phased programme of improvements. Agreed site meeting of GG/AS/AC</p>	

	<u>KSG paths</u> – compliments to Andy and colleagues for very effective improvements	Andy Chatterton
7.	Cleaner Greener Safer Applications Pat Kingwell reported that after consultation with Andrea Pita an application for £6,000 was submitted for landscape improvements to the land near the Wildlife area and Albin's Memorial Garden. Decision due in March.	
8.	Planning Matters Update	
8.1	122-124 Lower Road -The Yellow House (Ref: 04-AP-1160) In an e-mail Dennis Sangweme (LBS) confirmed that the developers have been informed their access is unauthorised and must be removed. He will advise progress.	
8.2	Opposite 147 Lower Road – Advertising Signs (Ref:11/AP/3346) This case had not yet been decided but we will continue to monitor	
9.	King's Stairs Gardens	
9.1	Jubilee Stone Request for Chris Cook to 'get back on board' on the stone scheme to help progress.	Chris Cook
9.2	Queen Elizabeth 2nd Fields Challenge KSG has been put forward for consideration under this nationwide programme and it was agreed to write to Duke of Cambridge seeking his support.	Michael Daniels
9.3	Thames Water Proposals Phase 2 consultation still requires reiteration of opposition to KSG being used in the project. Members urged to attend exhibition at GLA.	
9.4	King's Stairs Action Group Officer Michael Daniels reported that following Donna Spedding's move Roger Bilder is the new chairperson.	
9.5	Village Green Michael Daniels reported that KSG has been granted status by Southwark Council.	
9.6	Jubilee Event Amanda Squires read out an e-mail from Pippa Krishnan which advised about Jubilee event funding sources. Agreed applications be made and a small group convened to progress any subsequent event.	Gary Glover Amanda Squires
9.7	Cleaner Greener Safer Fund Amanda Squires reported that the Fulford Street scheme, which had been in abeyance, was now able to be implemented and tenders are due out in May. A £46k scheme has been submitted by KSAG and a Go Petition site set up to register support.	
10.	Bowling Club Update Jim Saunders reported Bayliss had completed the main green turf works. Colin Smith said the London Marathon plaque is installed near the artificial green.	
11.	Young Friends of Parks Update It appears funding for Young Friends activities has been cut.	
12.	Finances Marjorie Hill reported that we are in funds.	
13.	Any Other Business	
13.1	Stakeholder meetings It was agreed Andy to advise dates of future meetings.	Andy Chatterton
13.2	Friends Cupboard It was agreed the cupboard containing Friends records could be stored in the Park Office and that Andy, Pat and Marjorie would look into the possibility of transporting from current location in tenants hall.	Andy Chatterton Pat Kingwell Marjorie Hill
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General Meeting
Wednesday 14th March 2012 6.00pm at
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Agenda

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Notes of meeting of 15th February 2012 and Matters Arising (attached)**
- 3. Southwark Park Dance Showcase 7/8 July 2012 – Laura Erwin**
- 4. Former Nursery Update – Sharon Lomas LBS**
- 5. Photography Project – Pat Kingwell/Gary Magold**
- 6. Park Manager's Report – Andy Chatterton LBS**
- 7. Bowling Club Update – Jim Saunders/Colin Smith**
- 8. King's Stairs Gardens Issues – Amanda Squires/Michael Daniels**
- 9. Gallery Update – Ron Henocq**
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- 13. Finances – Marjorie Hill**
- 14. Any Other Business**
- 15. Dates of Future Meetings**

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**Notes of Friends of Southwark Park General Meeting
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In attendance:

Simon Bennett; William Cameron; Michael Daniels; Dave Fisher; Colin Hartridge-Price; Marjorie Hill; Pat Kingwell; Sharon Lomas (London Borough of Southwark); Gary Magold; Andrea Pita (London Borough of Southwark); Jim Saunders; Tracy Scales; Sue Sexton; Amanda Squires; Colin Smith; George Witsey

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2.	Notes of meeting of 18th January 2012 The notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising	
2.1.1	Southwark Park Playroom Mike Smith (LBS) had agreed to come back on concerns raised over public information about the service, including the content and quality of signage. Also the question of the use of the large metal container near the playroom. Agreed to chase up.	Pat Kingwell
3.	Southwark Park Old Nursery Update Sharon Lomas reported that the tender stage was to commence in March 2012 with returns due by mid-April 2012. The idea is to obtain from interested parties their concepts for the use of the land and also 5 year business plans. Applicants will be short-listed and The Friends will be involved in the selection process. Sharon to progress and keep us informed.	Sharon Lomas
4.	'I Love Jamaica Day' event Following the special meeting held on 6 th February to discuss this issue, a letter was sent to John Benton of Southwark Council, which is appended to these notes. In the discussion it was suggested we should request a production schedule from the organisers and also alert them to the possible impact upon the senior community living on the Abbeyfield side of the park. Southwark Council's Cabinet had requested The Friends attend a meeting to discuss further. A report back will be given to next meeting.	Gary Glover Pat Kingwell
5.	Dr. Salter Statue Amanda Squires reported The Friends had met with Council officers as part of the consultation about possible replacement of the art work and potential locations. Other groups and individuals will also be encouraged to make their views known	

	before a final decision is made. Amanda reminded about next Salter statue meeting in The Angel pub on 4 th March.	
6.	<p>Park Manager's Report Andrea Pita reported on a range of issues:</p> <p>Southwark Park</p> <p><u>Bowling Green – Artificial Rink</u> - no further work has been undertaken to date, due to the exceptionally cold weather.</p> <p><u>Bowling Green – Pavilion Roof</u> - we are currently awaiting feedback from Resa Mehmet – Repairs & Maintenance and Henderson regarding an example of where felt has been used elsewhere.</p> <p><u>Tree Issues – Southwark Park</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Arboricultural Officer has inspected the coronation tree and will be arranging for a couple of the stumps to be cut down to ground level, although they are very close to the railings and this will hinder the operation, as one of the stumps has actually grown over the railings. The tree will need to be replaced sometime in the future, as it is in decline. • It appears the developer in the land of the former working man's club has cut back some overhanging tree branches, although there is no proof of this. Perhaps Corinne Turner could investigate this! • The two missing young staked trees in the children's playground will be replaced in the 2013 planting season. <p><u>Lake Pump</u> - we are currently awaiting feedback from Resa Mehmet – Repairs & Maintenance and Henderson regarding the electricians who are due to carry out a full investigation of the electrical problems.</p> <p><u>Community Wildlife Garden</u> - Georgia Villalobos - London Wildlife Trust has worked on a conservation project in the garden with a couple of groups on 13th / 14th February.</p> <p><u>Lake/Island Maintenance</u> - QSL have been reminded of their responsibility to remove litter from the lake on a daily basis. A site meeting has taken with Jon Best to view the perimeter island beds and a further meeting will now be arranged with a representative from TRUE (Trust for Urban Ecology) to discuss a number of options, the main emphasis being to cut out the Buddleia. However it was felt the willow branches overhanging the water near the viewing area by the Ada Salter Garden should remain in situ as they are beneficial to wildlife.</p> <p><u>Hawkstone Road Car Park</u> - a joint site inspection of the park took place with QSL on 31st January and a number of outstanding operations were identified, including the maintenance of the car park.</p> <p><u>Children's Playground</u> - the Repairs & Maintenance SWT (Small Works Team) have confirmed there are no current faults with the roundabout although there are loose rivets in the aluminium base plate of the sprung standing rocker in the corner and this has been recorded and is due to be repaired in the near future. It is not considered to be dangerous to use at present.</p>	

	<p><u>Stakeholder Meetings</u> - the minutes of the previous meeting have been drafted, but they have yet to be circulated. The next meeting will be held in March and the date will be confirmed as soon as possible.</p> <p>King's Stairs Gardens</p> <p><u>Tree Issues – King's Stairs Gardens</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> TFL have asked for a large overhanging limb of the silver birch to be cut back by Rotherhithe roundabout, as it is in danger of splitting and falling on to the road and fence. Three dead cherry trees are due to be felled and two medium diseased birch will also be felled in the near future. The Arboricultural Officer will be alerting the Planning department as there is a TPO in KSG. <p><u>Damaged Lamp Column</u> - it is envisaged that the replacement lamp column will be connected by EDF in the near future. Although a meeting was requested at the previous meeting to view the condition of the lighting throughout the site, to date this has yet to be arranged.</p> <p><u>Fountain Green/Bermondsey Wall East</u> - a Senior Officer-Environmental Enforcement has confirmed that a land registry search has already been performed allowing access to the details of the owner of the property and that if direct contact cannot be made, a letter will be written to the owner offering them the opportunity to attend an interview at the Castlemead offices, in order to investigate the fly tip issue further.</p>	
7.	<p>Photography Project Update</p> <p>Pat Kingwell reported that the project was on target and within budget. The exhibition will be held at The Gallery from 17-25th March. A number of members volunteered to be available in the Gallery during the exhibition, and Pat agreed to set up a rota.</p>	Pat Kingwell
8.	King's Stairs Gardens Issues	
8.1	<p>Jubilee Stone</p> <p>Amanda Squires reported that artists from Goldsmith's College are involved and design options will come back to the group for discussion. A possible unveiling date is 13th November and both Simon Hughes and Michael Daniels are exploring their contacts for a special guest. Potential to link in with a new Jubilee tree in Southwark Park.</p> <p>William Cameron confirmed King's Stairs Action Group will be involved.</p>	
9.	<p>Bowling Club Update</p> <p>Jim Saunders mentioned that after many years he is now winding down his green keeper role at the club.</p> <p><u>Replacement roof</u> - it was agreed a felt replacement is out of the question for a Grade 2 Listed amenity. Support for Eternit slate option.</p> <p><u>Artificial rink</u> – the concern remains that the damage caused by moss may have gone beyond repair.</p>	
10.	<p>Gallery Update</p> <p>None given</p>	
11.	Planning Matters Update	
11.1	<p>122-124 Lower Road -The Yellow House (Ref: 04-AP-1160)</p> <p>Although Southwark Council had confirmed that the access gate from the property to the park is unauthorised still no evidence of its removal or closing up. Agreed we chase Dennis Sangweme (LBS).</p>	Pat Kingwell

11.2	Opposite 147 Lower Road – Advertising Signs (Ref:11/AP/3346) This case remains undecided.	
12.	Finances Marjorie Hill reported that we are in funds.	
13.	Any Other Business	
13.1	Event Application by Breast Cancer Campaign Girls v Boys Run on Sunday 20th May There was no objection to the holding of this relatively small-scale event provided all the normal event management requirements are in place. It was agreed The Friends might want to have a presence on the day, such as a stall.	
13.2	Outdoor Gym William Cameron commented on the success of the gym and the meeting agreed another one near Scout House/Christchurch Gate would be welcomed.	
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Agenda

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Notes of meeting of 14th March 2012 and Matters Arising (attached)**
- 3. Former Lido Fountain – What Can We Do To Improve It?**
- 4. ‘Apathy’s a Drag’ Art Project on Lake – Rachael House**
- 5. Former Nursery Update – Sharon Lomas LBS**
- 6. Park Manager’s Report – Andy Chatterton LBS**
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29th March 2012



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**Notes of Friends of Southwark Park General Meeting
 held on 14th March 2012 at
 The Park Office, Southwark Park**

In attendance:

Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Simon Bennett; Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Jean Cunliffe; Michael Daniels; Judith Deschamps; Laura Erwin (Delve Dance Company); Dave Fisher; Marjorie Hill; Pat Kingwell; Duncan Mackinnon (London Borough of Southwark); Gary Magold; Cllr. Wilma Nelson; Andrea Pita (London Borough of Southwark); Jim Saunders; Tracy Scales; Sue Sexton; Amanda Squires; Colin Smith; Daniel Vacciana (London Borough of Southwark); Susan Vaughan; George Witsey

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Alison Clayburn; Gary Glover; Colin Hartridge-Price; Ron Henocq; Rt. Hon. Simon Hughes M.P.	
2.	Notes of meeting of 15th February 2012 The notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising All on main agenda	
3.	Southwark Park Dance Showcase 7/8 July 2012 Laura Erwin (Delve Dance Company) and local resident, consulted the meeting on an application she has made to put on a two-day dance programme on the bandstand. Subject to final confirmation of funding and agreement of LBS Events team the event will consist of two performances each afternoon – 1.30 and 4.00 – involving a mix of up to 15 local dance groups and professional performers. The event is branded as ‘Local Motions’ and will be free of charge for spectators. It was agreed that provided all the usual event requirements were met the showcase was a welcome use of an otherwise underused bandstand. Some helpful suggestions were made about surfacing for the dancers and advertising through SE16.com and Surrey Quays community notice board. Andy Chatterton agreed to look into the provision of a locked room for the performers and Laura agreed to send him an event Risk Assessment.	Andy Chatterton Laura Erwin
4.	Southwark Park Old Nursery Update Sharon Lomas has confirmed we are on programme and that the tender package, setting out what is required from Tenders in their submissions, was sent out to shortlisted applicants last week. Returns are expected back mid- April.	
5.	Photography Project Update Pat Kingwell reported that the exhibition had been prepared and was to be held at The Gallery from 17-25 th March. Gary Magold had organised for The Mayor of	

	Southwark to attend the launch. Several members had volunteered to be available in the Gallery during the exhibition.	
6.	<p>Park Manager's Report Andy Chatterton reported on a range of issues:</p> <p>Southwark Park</p> <p><u>Park Attendants</u> Welcomed Daniel Vacciana and Duncan Mackinnon who have commenced employment with QSL this week. They will work on a rota basis to provide public access to the office at all times whilst the park is open. They will patrol the park and report any maintenance / anti-social behaviour issues to the Contracts & Service Manager / Officer in order to ensure issues are dealt with in reasonable timescales. Their duties include:</p> <p><i>Main Focus</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Customer Service • Provide a point of contact for when we are not here • Provide information to park users • Man the office in the hours we are not here • Be present in the evening and at Weekends <p><i>Main Duties</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deal with lost property • Provide an emergency contact point • Educate Park users on litter, dog fouling etc. • Be visible in the park • Meeting and greeting the public, asking if all is ok • Reporting issues and taking action when possible • ASB - advising park users and report it to Wardens when necessary • Site Patrol on a daily basis • Updating notice boards and cleaning notice boards and signs <p><i>Future developing items</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Changing rooms - access to keys etc. • Cleaning site offices / toilets etc. • Locking of major park • Clearing park an hour before park is due to be locked. • undertake surveys <p><u>Bowling Green – Artificial Rink</u> Bayliss Landscapes visited the park last week and undertook an initial power brush to remove the dead moss etc. and they believe the first treatment has worked very well considering the time of year when it was applied. A second application of Dialgae was then applied to kill the remaining moss and algae.</p> <p>Bayliss Landscapes will re-visit the park in a couple of weeks to conclude the operation using a slightly heavier brush to clean the surface. The long term maintenance of the artificial rink will then be reviewed by the Parks Team.</p> <p><u>Bowling Green Maintenance</u> The green has recently been treated for a fungal disease and a further treatment may be necessary depending on the success of the initial application.</p>	

	<p>There is some concern about the type of grass seed that has germinated and therefore a site meeting has been arranged with representatives from QSL / Rigby Taylor to view the condition of the green. A full detailed inspection report will be provided on conclusion of the visit.</p> <p>The Greenkeeper has undertaken various operations today including cutting, topdressing, adding a wetting agent and repairing the green where necessary. The mower used today is the same model and specification as the SPK mower, the clutch cabled snapped on the SPK mower this morning and QSL are awaiting a replacement.</p> <p>The green will be scarified at the end of March as well as having a fertiliser treatment with a high Iron content.</p> <p><u>Bowling Green – Pavilion Roof</u> Following discussions at the previous meeting, it has now been recommended that we pursue Eternit Slate dark red tiles, as that was the original colour.</p> <p><u>Tree Issues</u> The Arboricultural Officer has cancelled remedial work around the base of the coronation tree and it will be replaced in the autumn with an Indian Chestnut, to coincide with the unveiling of the KSG Jubilee Stone on 13th November.</p> <p><u>Lake Pump</u> The results of the electricians' investigations have yet to be confirmed, although it is believed further research may be necessary.</p> <p><u>Island Maintenance</u> Trust for Urban Ecology will be undertaking works to the island beds within the next few days including the following: - Buddleia clearance and stump treatment, plus some additional planting as recommended and approved by Jon Best.</p> <p><u>Café</u> We have been advised of recent deliveries to the café from Gomm Road instead of through the park and this will be addressed with Ron Chance, as soon as possible.</p> <p><u>Stakeholder Meetings</u> The minutes of the previous meeting will be circulated this week and the next meeting has been scheduled for 27th March @ 10-30am.</p> <p>King's Stairs Gardens</p> <p><u>Spikes On Park Adjacent Walls</u> Although the residents of Elephant Lane houses have suggested embedding spikes on the adjacent walls of the park, our legal services section have advised us of the following: - Anyone putting up deterrents such as wire, spikes etc., may be liable under the Occupiers Liability Act 1984 if a person is caused harm, but they should take their own independent legal advice on whether they have taken sufficient steps (e.g. erecting signs) to limit their liability.</p>	
7.	<p>Bowling Club Update Jim Saunders reported that concerns remained about the condition of the green and the start of the playing season was still not certain. Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai suggested that it might be necessary to seek advice from the Council's legal team over the contractor's performance. .</p>	
8.	King's Stairs Gardens Issues	
8.1	Village Green	

	Amanda Squires reported that village green status has been achieved for KSG which adds another level of protection against development or other inappropriate uses.	
8.2.	Jubilee Stone Amanda Squires reported that the stone needs cleaning.	Andy Chatterton
8.3	Lighting This continues to fall far short of what a 24-hour a day park needs and security is badly compromised. Repairing the lighting appears to be an insufficient response – the whole issue needs revisiting. Cllr. Wilma Nelson suggested CGS funds might be used.	Andy Chatterton
8.4	Pruning Congratulations to Andy and colleagues on a job well done.	
8.5	Thames Water Phase 2 Simon Bennett reported on meeting he had attended at which Simon Hughes had delivered his consultation response. A copy of the response is available through www.simonhughesmp.org.uk	
8.6	Jubilee Street Party 3rd June A working group is progressing the organisation of the event and funds have been secured. A formal event application has to be submitted.	
8.7	Dr. Salter Statue This issue remains ongoing and is stimulating a lot of local interest.	
9.	Gallery Update None given	
10.	Planning Matters Update	
10.1	122-124 Lower Road -The Yellow House (Ref: 04-AP-1160) Pat Kingwell reported that on the issue of an unauthorised gate Dennis Sangweme (LBS) had written to the developers Tiuta Assets Ltd about the possible breach of planning permission. Tiuta have forwarded the matter to Veritas Estates, the management agency, in the belief that the gate has been installed by a leaseholder. Agreed to keep chasing this up. In the discussion it was indicated that the Swedish Mission may be closing down and should it come under new ownership, the current agreement for gates into the park, should be reviewed.	Pat Kingwell
10.2	Opposite 147 Lower Road – Advertising Signs (Ref:11/AP/3346) At the time of the meeting this case remained undecided. NB has now been refused.	
11.	Finances Marjorie Hill reported that we are in funds.	
12.	Any Other Business	
12.1	‘I Love Jamaica Day’ event It was reported that Southwark Council had turned down the application to hold the event in Southwark Park.	
12.2	Borehole Planting Comments received about the lack of previously promised planting around the borehole which is rather drab at the moment.	Andy Chatterton
12.3	Former Lido Fountain Comments received about the unacceptable condition of the former fountain. Agreed to put an item on the next agenda about possible solutions.	Pat Kingwell
12.4	Death of Terry Graham Terry’s death was reported and many kind comments were made about his work in Southwark Park. It was agreed to send a cheque to a nominated charity.	Marjorie Hill
12.5	Eels in lake It was reported some eels had been found dead in the lake.	
13.	Dates of Future General Meetings 18th April 2012 16th May 2012 20th June 2012 All 6.00pm at The Park Office, near to the Cafe in Southwark Park	



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Dear John Benton,

'I Love Jamaica Day' Event

Thank you very much for attending our Special Meeting on Monday, and also for arranging for the applicants for the above event to be present. We are pleased to be part of the consultation and feel it was a helpful meeting at which information was shared. We believe that our main matters of interest came over clearly, but to recap, for the event to be successful the questions we think the organisers and Southwark Council should address include:

Infrastructure and capacity

1. Can the park accommodate such a potentially large event and are the right measures in place to ensure that there will not be any detrimental damage to the environment? A target audience of 13,000 is much larger than most Southwark Park events, so we would want to be convinced that all necessary services are in place to cater for them.
2. Particular attention needs to be paid to control of vehicles in the park; adherence to routing and load-bearing stipulations and the use of protective tracking.
3. Have the organisers a good record of event management and do they have sufficient resources to carry out post-event rectification if needed? What level of bond is being specified?

Public Access

4. Can the limitations on access to the park before and after the event be reviewed in order to maximise access for our park users? The suggested five days build-up and breakdown seems to us to be too long a period for people to be denied their regular access.
5. Can the organisers be clearer about which parts of the park will be available for use by those not attending the event? For instance, at present it appears from the plans that on the day of the event itself that people wishing to use the cafe, playground, art gallery and lake may have to pass through a security barrier? We suggest the organisers think through the logistics of separating paying and non-paying park users and redraw their event boundary line in order to avoid contention.

Paid Event

6. Does the event have to be a paid one? While we understand the need to plan for and control the number of visitors, this will be a major departure from a very long-held practice of events in Southwark Park where cost has not been a barrier to the community. We are concerned about the setting of a precedent which may price out families and those on low incomes. If the day is to be as inclusive as possible we would ask the organisers to review this issue.

Income

7. While we support the aims of the organisers in raising funds for their chosen charities we ask that Southwark Park should also directly benefit from any income from the event. We have a range of suggestions of how money can be used to improve the park and would be happy to pass those on to the organisers and the Council.

Security

8. The scale of the proposed event will inevitably require very good security. This applies not simply to the park itself, but also to its environs. We urge the organisers and Council to consult on a detailed security plan which meets the needs of park users and the community.

Transport and Traffic

9. We appreciate the view of the organisers that public transport should be the main way of getting to the event, but experience over many years shows that cars will be used. We ask that a comprehensive traffic management plan for the day is produced and consulted upon so that the park neighbours lives, particularly those in Gomm Road and nearby estates, are not badly disrupted by the event.

Yours sincerely,

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General Meeting
Wednesday 16th May 2012 6.00pm at
The Park Office, near to the Cafe in Southwark Park

Agenda

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Notes of meeting of 18th April 2012 and Matters Arising (attached)**
- 3. Surrey Quays Regeneration - Links to Southwark Park – Chris Horn Associates**
- 4. King's Stairs Gardens Lighting – Andy Chatterton**
- 5. King's Stairs Gardens Issues – Amanda Squires/Michael Daniels**
- 6. Former Nursery Update – Sharon Lomas LBS**
- 7. Park Manager's Report – Andy Chatterton LBS**
- 8. Planning Matters – updates if available on:**
- 9. 386 Southwark Park Road former Social Club (Ref: 010-AP-3548)**
- 10. 122-124 Lower Road -The Yellow House (Ref: 04-AP-1160)**
- 11. Bowling Club Update – Jim Saunders/Colin Smith**
- 12. Gallery Update – Ron Henocq**
- 13. Finances – Marjorie Hill**
- 14. Any Other Business**
- 15. Dates of Future Meetings**

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In attendance:

Steven Broad; William Cameron; Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Jean Cunliffe; Dave Fisher; Gary Glover; Marjorie Hill; Rachael House; David Lessore; Sharon Lomas; Lynn Olding; Jim Saunders; Amanda Squires; Colin Smith; Susan Vaughan

Due to the concurrent Rotherhithe Community Council meeting at which Gary was speaking and Pat's absence on holiday, Gary and Amanda chaired the meeting between them and Amanda undertook the minutes.

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2.	Notes of meeting of 15th February 2012 The notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising	
2.1.1	Borehole plants Lynn Olding responded to the comment in the notes about the She had tried 6 times with different plants but they were either being stolen or eaten by the geese. She is now trying a wildflower garden with spring bulbs.	
2.1.2	Photo Competition William Cameron congratulated FoSP on the competition which he had found most enjoyable. The contribution from the Heritage Lottery Fund was acknowledged. NB this should be Rotherhithe Community Council who provided main funding	
3.	Former Lido Fountain It was agreed that retention as its intention, a fountain, would be desirable but not cost effective. It was agreed to have it painted green and to plant shallow root plants. It was unclear whether heavy rain would act as a natural fountain and wash them out, but Lynn would monitor it. It was agreed that the surrounding railings still needed to be retained to prevent climbers, but would be tidied up, painted a light colour and reduced in height if possible.	Ron Henocq Andy Chatterton
4.	'Apathy's a Drag' Art Project – Rachael House FoSP was in support of the project with the proviso that only part of the lake was used; that the area did not have nesting birds; that bunting would go up a couple of hours before and would be only tied to the trees, and would be taken down straight afterwards; and that litter would be dealt with (? Rachel or ? Andy's team ???)	Andy Chatterton Rachael House

	<p>Although participation is expected to be modest (20-30 people) there were concerns about rowdy onlookers which previous lake events had attracted, and Andy will ensure his duty officer is present and that the SNT is advised.</p> <p>Rachael provided a press release with extracts following:</p> <p><i>apathy's a drag</i></p> <p><i>An art event by Rachael House marking thirty-five years since the Sex Pistols Thames boat trip, with guests the Strawberry Thieves Choir.</i></p> <p><i>At Southwark Park Lake, outside the entrance of the Café Gallery, Southwark Park, London SE16 2UA</i> <i>Sunday 27th May 2012, 2pm-4pm</i> <i>Refreshments available</i> <i>All welcome</i></p> <p><i>It is 2012, and Londoners live in interesting times. Anniversaries of sunken ships, dead writers, reigning monarchs AND a whole lot of people rushing around very quickly in east London. Yet, with all the celebrations, one important cultural landmark has been completely overlooked.</i></p> <p><i>Rachael House invites you to join her in remedying this historical oversight. 2012 is the thirty-fifth anniversary of the Sex Pistols abortive boat trip on the Thames. Two weeks after the release of their hit single God Save The Queen, and a week ahead of the Silver Jubilee Flotilla, the Sex Pistols performed a concert on a boat (appropriately named The Queen Elizabeth) on the Thames. Swiftly stopped by the police, a barney ensued and many were arrested, including Vivienne Westwood (now Dame Vivienne).</i></p> <p><i>apathy's a drag promises to be an art event as British as Country Life butter. Rachael invites you to make a model wind-powered boat, to float on Southwark Park Lake and form part of a spectacular flotilla. Punk coracles, new wave rafts, police launches, Sex Pistols sailing ships, folk fishing vessels- all of these and more are welcome to take part.</i></p> <p><i>This Café Gallery Projects art event will take place on Southwark Park Lake, outside the entrance of the Café Gallery. This beautiful lake is the home of abundant wildlife, so please ensure that your model boat is attached to string (or something similar) and that it may be easily retrieved. Materials used must not be harmful to inhabitants of the lake.</i></p> <p><i>Special guests, the magnificent Strawberry Thieves Choir, will provide rousing inspirational songs. Named after a design by early punk pioneer William Morris, Strawberry Thieves Choir embody the passion, politics and DIY ethos of punk rock, with somewhat different tunes.</i></p> <p><i>no future, no future, no future for you, no future for me!</i> <i>Now is the future shaped by the Sex Pistols and other less benign powers. It's not about nostalgia, our actions fashion history. We have to make them count. So make a model boat, dig out your best punk clobber and be part of apathy's a drag, the most significant commemorative art event of the year.</i></p>	
5.	<p>Southwark Park Old Nursery Update</p> <p>Sharon Lomas reported that no tenders had been received as those interested were unhappy with the terms. Sharon to contact those who had shown interested to find out about the concerns and how they could be resolved. Going back to the original list with different terms may be considered. Any revised terms will be agreed in advance, and the Friends will be included in the discussion in due course.</p>	Sharon Lomas
6.	<p>Park Manager's Report</p> <p>Andy Chatterton reported on a range of issues:</p>	

	<p>Southwark Park</p> <p><u>Park Attendants</u> The attendants have settled well into their new roles. Daniel Vacciana has recently joined Westminster Council, but we welcome David Lessore who commenced employment with QSL this week.</p> <p><u>Bowling Green – Artificial Rink</u> Baylis Landscapes have completed the specified work and the artificial rink will now be added to the grounds maintenance contract as a soft surface area, as agreed with representatives from the Bowls Club on 5th April. Arrangements will be made to install an electrical point in the contractor's store, in order to adhere to the maintenance schedule provided by Inbowls & Leisure Limited.</p> <p><u>Bowling Green Maintenance</u> A full detailed report has been provided by Rigby Taylor and copies have been circulated to representatives from the Bowls Club. The new QSL Supervisor is fully aware of the recommendations made and he will be working closely with the Greenkeeper on a regular basis, in order to ensure the report is adhered to.</p> <p><u>Bowling Green – Pavilion Roof</u> We are currently seeking advice from Planning regarding the recommendations to use Eternal Slate dark red tiles and I will report back on this as soon as possible.</p> <p><u>Children's Playground</u> A contractor has provided a full report including costs on how to resolve the electrical pump and water feature issues and this is currently being reviewed by the Repairs & Maintenance Manager.</p> <p><u>Former Lido Fountain</u> Representatives from Parks have recommended removing the railings as part of the improvements and we would welcome ideas from the Friends on how to improve it.</p> <p><u>Island Maintenance</u> Trust for Urban Ecology have completed works to the island beds and some additional planting has also been undertaken.</p> <p><u>Borehole – Drought Conditions</u> It has been confirmed that water can be extracted from the borehole for the use of a bowser, subject to the terms and conditions of the licence.</p> <p><u>Thames Tunnel Test Holes</u> The Thames Tunnel project is now back on the agenda and you will recall we met on site with them in the Autumn last year.</p> <p>Thames Tunnel have agreed to pay a fee which will contribute to the maintenance of the park based on a weekly fee and it will add up to a minimum of £3K for the park. No doubt there will be overruns and we will get more. Meeting agreed the fee would go towards maintaining the hanging baskets.</p> <p>They would like to start the project in about 6-8 weeks and it will be going ahead in the locations that we agreed with Thames Water at our meeting last year. The exact dates will be confirmed shortly.</p> <p>They will need to undertake a utilities scan prior to commencing works and they propose to undertake this on 23rd April.</p> <p><u>Old Athletics Track – Motorcycle Training</u></p>	
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	<p>Following a number of concerns raised yesterday I have informed the organiser that permission can neither be given to place the banner on the inner fence of the athletics track, nor use of the track itself for the motorcycle training.</p> <p>Fusion have been advised that a proposal to use the track for motorcycle training would require proper consultation with stakeholders of Southwark Park and if deemed feasible, approval would then have to be granted by the Council.</p> <p>Steven Broad attended to speak to this item and dispel myths about noise, pollution, duration and frequency. His discussion had been with Fusion who had not suggested consultation with FoSP or Hawkstone Tenants Association and were anyway not in a position to give consent to such an event or advertising banners. Rumours had led to a very negative reception to the idea. To start again this time following the correct process and ensure an objective view from FoSP, Steven would send a proposal to HTA and FoSP for discussion at the next meeting where Tim Clee (Southwark Council) would be invited. In the meantime Steven suggested members looked at their website for more information about the proposed event. www.CBT4you.co.uk</p> <p><u>Ada Salter Garden</u> The condition of some of the paving is currently being reviewed and costs are being obtained for repairs.</p> <p><u>Green Flag Award</u> The park is due to be judged within the next few weeks and it would be beneficial to have a walkabout in the near future, with a couple of representatives from the Friends in order to identify any concerns. Those able to do this to make direct contact with Andy asap.</p> <p>King's Stairs Gardens</p> <p><u>Lighting Issues</u> The Senior Lighting Engineer will chase up the contractor regarding the outstanding repairs and get them completed by the end of the week.</p> <p>The main problem with the suggestion to replace the old globes with down lights on the original columns is that the lighting in the park is past its design life and replacing lanterns will not stop the faults that occur on the electric circuits that provide the power to the lighting columns.</p> <p><u>Bird Boxes</u> The bird boxes have been installed in the trees close to the butterfly border and the work has been undertaken today by the Trust for Urban Ecology, apologies for the delay.</p> <p><u>Fountain Green – Fly tipping</u> No further progress to report at present, however we will endeavour to resolve this issue as soon as possible.</p> <p><u>Jubilee Stone</u> Although the top of stone could benefit from some cleaning, the main concern appears to be the faded colouring of the letters and dates. Does anyone have any background knowledge of when the stone was erected and the paint types used?</p>	
7.	<p>Bowling Club Update Jim Saunders had resigned as green manager and a committee were taking over responsibility.</p>	
8.	King's Stairs Gardens Issues	
8.1	Lighting	

	Amanda complimented Andy on how good the park was looking and emphasised the lighting issue raised in his report. <u>This is to be an agenda item next time as several members present find the poor and frequently not working lighting situation makes this 24hour park uncomfortable at night.</u> FoSP to write to Daniel Robinson, Senior Lighting Engineer and cc councillors to try to get this longstanding issue resolved. Andy had received an e-mail confirming that the lights are past their effective life.	
8.2	Jubilee Street Party 3rd June William briefed the group on the plans for the Jubilee Weekend where large crowds were now anticipated so Southwark Council were in discussion with the Police regarding taking over responsibility for the event. They would then consult with local residents on the plans. Andy asked for the issue of reinstatement after such an event to be assured with Southwark Events, particularly delivery trucks on the grass.	
8.3	Motorbikes William raised the issue of resumption of motor bike use of Cottle Way---especially dangerous due to the proximity to the playground. He was advised to try to get registration numbers or photographic evidence but to always report it to the SNT/Police whoever is on duty at the time.	
9.	Gallery Update None given	
10.	Planning Matters Update	
10.1	122-124 Lower Road -The Yellow House (Ref: 04-AP-1160) No progress reported. Pat Kingwell to chase Dennis Sangweme (LBS).	Pat Kingwell
10.2	Opposite 147 Lower Road – Advertising Signs (Ref:11/AP/3346) Has been refused planning permission.	
11.	Finances The organisation is solvent. Cheques had been sent out to prize winners from the photo competition. A cheque for £50 had been sent towards the collection at Terry Graham's funeral having been a past park manager with close contact with FoSP. Andy had attended the funeral.	
12.	Any Other Business	
12.1	Former Southwark Park Club site Marjorie alerted the group to pile driving/earth moving work taking place on the site for which no planning permission had been seen by local residents or FoSP. In the absence of Pat Kingwell who had been dealing with this Andy would contact Anood and the Planning Department urgently to get a current position.	
13.	Dates of Future General Meetings 20 th June 2012 At 6.00pm at The Park Office, near to the Cafe in Southwark Park preceded with a walk round Southwark Park at 4.30 (meet at park office next to cafe). A subsequent meeting to be preceded by a walk around KSG.	



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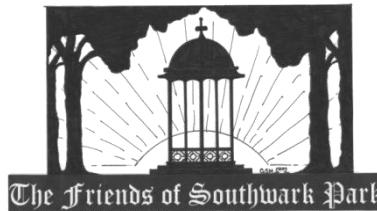
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- 9. The Lodge, Lower Road (Ref: 12-AP-1121)**
- 10. King's Stairs Gardens Issues – Michael Daniels**
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Henry Abrahams; Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Irene Djao-Rakotine (Vogt Landscapes Ltd); Emeline Koucime; Dave Fisher; Gary Glover; Marjorie Hill; Chris Horn (Chris Horn Associates); Pat Kingwell; Gary Magold; Lyn Poon (Vogt Landscapes Ltd); Tracey Scales; George Witsey.

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2.	Notes of meeting of 18th April 2012 The notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising	
2.1.1	Motorcycle Training Proposal The meeting agreed that it could not support the idea of using the sports facility for motorcycle training and would inform Southwark Council officers.	Gary Glover
3.	Surrey Quays Regeneration – Links to Southwark Park Chris Horn explained that as part of the Decathlon site regeneration proposals his team are investigating potential green links between Canada Water and Southwark Park. Attendance at this meeting was intended to introduce the landscape team, who at this stage are scoping the possible options. He is keen to get views from The Friends and as things develop he will come back to discuss further. The meeting welcomed the idea of green links with Canada Water provided that the boundaries of the park are protected and that any resulting scheme is in line with its listed status.	Chris Horn Associates
4.	King's Stairs Gardens Lighting Andy Chatterton reported the Senior Lighting Engineer has confirmed that they have attended to the identified columns a number of times over the past few months and carried out a number of repairs, but due to the wet weather, the condition of the columns, cables and lanterns the columns keep failing. To try and get a more long term solution, new lanterns have been ordered to be fitted to these columns, but these are nonstandard and can some time take a while to be delivered. There was a delay from the supplier and now they will not be delivered until Thursday next week.	

	<p>The old lamp column will be removed at the same time as fitting the lanterns. However works to the housing lamp column and broken feeder pillar in front of Cathy House will not be undertaken as part of the repairs, as the cost to do so is quite substantial and it would have to be approved by housing beforehand. It is hoped that this long outstanding issue can be resolved in the near future.</p> <p>Gary Glover asked Andy to provide him with old lamp post costs.</p>	<p>Andy Chatterton</p>
5.	<p>King's Stairs Gardens Issues None reported</p>	
6.	<p>Southwark Park Old Nursery Update On behalf of Sharon Lomas Andy reported that the Council is disappointed that none of the organisations could meet the requirements as set out in the tender documents and they will be taking a step back and considering all options available. The Council welcomes views from the Friends and will set up a separate project meeting with representatives from the Friends.</p>	<p>Sharon Lomas</p>
7.	<p>Park Manager's Report - Andy Chatterton reported on a range of issues:</p> <p>Southwark Park</p> <p><u>Bowling Green Maintenance</u> Additional repairs have been undertaken to the green by QSL, especially around the perimeter where wooden supports have been attached to encourage stronger establishment and root growth.</p> <p>Concerns have been raised about different types of grass on the green and the length of time it takes for water to drain after the recent heavy rainfalls. A meeting has been arranged with representatives from Rigby Taylor on 21 May.</p> <p><u>Bowling Green – Pavilion Roof</u> Planning has provided some feedback regarding the proposal to fit Eternit tiles rather than felt and they have confirmed that planning permission would be required for this, which could take up to 8 weeks. English Heritage has suggested using zinc which can be coloured to match the appearance of the copper roof currently on the building.</p> <p>The meeting agreed that the use of zinc or any other metal would most probably lead to further theft and damage; reiterated its recommendation for a tile solution; and requested that the Parks service make the necessary planning application.</p> <p><u>Former Lido Fountain</u> The remedial work proposals have been discussed with Ron Henocq and we are currently waiting for a quotation from a contractor, in order to proceed with this. The contractor will also provide another option, as the specification currently being prepared is likely to be quite high in cost. It would also be more beneficial to consider various plant types, once the work has been completed.</p> <p><u>Island Maintenance</u> A discussion has taken place with Trust for Urban Ecology and it has been agreed that any outstanding works will now be completed when the bird</p>	<p>Andy Chatterton</p>

	<p>nesting season has finished. In the meantime TRUE will be invited to clear some debris from the lake, especially near the view point of the rose garden.</p> <p><u>Thames Tunnel Test Holes</u> Work commenced as agreed on 9th May.</p> <p><u>Ada Salter Garden</u> Repairs to the paving will commence in two weeks' time and they should be completed within a couple of weeks, weather permitting. A second quotation will be obtained for the worst affected area towards the back of the garden.</p> <p><u>Green Flag Award</u> We have still not been contacted by the judges and this has been raised with Keep Britain Tidy who have subsequently advised that the original allocated judges are no longer available.</p> <p><u>Trees</u> The Arboricultural Officer has arranged for some recent storm damaged tree work to be undertaken this week. A full survey of the trees will be undertaken in June.</p> <p>The meeting asked Andy to liaise with the Arboricultural Officer to clarify the current condition of the Coronation Tree and the damaged willow by the lake. It was strongly felt that unless absolutely necessary the removal of either should be a very last option.</p> <p><u>Notice Board Dilston Grove</u> A new notice board has been recently installed on the grass area in front of Dilston Grove.</p> <p><u>Lake Fountain</u> Although it was only installed recently, questions were raised about how effectively it is working – the jet of water seems not to be strong or high enough and the base of the fountain can be seen when it should be underwater. Andy asked to speak with the contractor to rectify. Gary Glover said he would be happy to meet on site on the issue.</p>	<p>Andy Chatterton</p> <p>Andy Chatterton</p>
8.	Planning Matters Update	
8.1	<p>386 Southwark Park Road former Social Club (Ref: 010-AP-3548) Pat Kingwell reported there had been various e-mails on the subject and Planning had confirmed that it was the 2010 scheme which was in progress. It was agreed to invite Alan Camp architects to provide an update.</p>	Pat Kingwell
8.2	<p>122-124 Lower Road -The Yellow House (Ref: 04-AP-1160) Pat Kingwell reported he had asked Dennis Sangweme (LBS) for an update on progress in dealing with this unauthorised access to the park and was awaiting reply.</p>	Pat Kingwell
9.	<p>Bowling Club Update None given</p>	
10.	<p>Gallery Update None given</p>	
11.	<p>Finances The organisation is in funds. Marjorie Hill reported some of the cheques sent out to prize winners from the photo competition are still to be cashed and the cheque for £50, sent to Cancer Research in memory of Terry Graham, needs to be redirected to correct address.</p>	

	Monies are also due from various external bodies to be used for the KSG Jubilee event.	
12.	Any Other Business	
12.1	Cleaner Greener Safer Application Pat Kingwell reported we had been unsuccessful in bid to improve the landscape north-east of bandstand and adjoining Albin's.	
12.2	Swedish Church George Witsey asked if any more had been heard of the rumoured sale of the property. Agreed to contact the church directly for information.	Pat Kingwell
12.3	Stroke Association Event Marjorie Hill reported it had been successful and the organisers had tidied up well after activities finished. Agreed to write thanking them for their care.	Pat Kingwell
12.4	Forthcoming 5K Run Marjorie Hill asked Andy to advise Events Team in the past there have been problems with litter from this event.	Andy Chatterton
12.5	Open Space Strategy Pat Kingwell said he had looked at the main document produced by Southwark Council and that as far as Southwark Park is concerned it seems to be reassuring. Improvements to both the Old Nursery and Sports facility are specifically included, and there is a general commitment to upgrading cafes and other social facilities in parks. It was agreed to invite Tim Clee from Southwark Council to our next meeting to update on sports facility.	Pat Kingwell
12.6	Ducks/Swans Incident Gary Magold reported an incident when he had to deter some youths from harming the birds on the lake. On reporting the incident to a member of the Parks staff he was concerned that there seemed to be a lack of awareness of how to deal with the issue.	
13.	Dates of Future General Meetings 20 th June 2012 18 th July 2012 19 th September 2012 - AGM At 6.00pm at The Park Office, near to the Cafe in Southwark Park	



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General Meeting
Wednesday 18th July 2012 6.00pm at
The Park Office, near to the Cafe in Southwark Park

Agenda

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Notes of meeting of 20th June 2012 and Matters Arising (attached)**
- 3. Tunnel 2 Towers Event 21st October**
- 4. Shell Staff Event 31st August**
- 5. Former Nursery - Preparation for Special Meeting in September**
- 6. Park Manager's Report – Andy Chatterton LBS**
- 7. Unauthorised Access – The Yellow House - update**
- 8. Planning Matters – updates if available on:**
- 9. 386 Southwark Park Road former Social Club (Ref: 010-AP-3458)**
- 10. The Lodge, Lower Road (Ref: 12-AP-1121)**
- 11. King's Stairs Gardens Lighting**
- 12. King's Stairs Gardens Issues – Michael Daniels**
- 13. Bowling Club Update**
- 14. Gallery Update – Ron Henocq**
- 15. Finances – Marjorie Hill**
- 16. Any Other Business**
- 17. Dates of Future Meetings**

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**Notes of Friends of Southwark Park General Meeting
 held on 20th June 2012 at
 The Park Office, Southwark Park**

In attendance:

William Cameron; Alison Clayburn; Tim Clee (London Borough of Southwark); Jean Cunliffe; Julie Defalco; Judith Deschamps; Dave Fisher; Gary Glover; Marjorie Hill; Stephen Humphrey; Sue Johnson; Pat Kingwell; Gary Magold; Jean Mulholland; Andrea Pita (London Borough of Southwark); Jim Saunders; Tracey Scales; Amanda Squires; Colin Smith; Corinne Turner; George Witsey.

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Michael Daniels; Colin Hartridge-Price; Sue Sexton; Louise Sheridan; Susan Vaughan	
2.	Notes of meeting of 16th May 2012 The notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising	
2.1.1	Motorcycle Training Proposal Tim Clee advised the meeting that the applicants had been informed by Southwark Council that motorcycle training was not a permissible activity within the park.	
2.1.2.	Former Lido Fountain Andrea Pita reported that following advice from Cafe Gallery it has been repainted and is looking much better. In the discussion it was suggested that the high fencing around the structure should be lowered to make the structure more pleasing to look at. Health and safety concerns are probably being overstated in this case.	Andy Chatterton
2.1.3.	386 Southwark Park Road former Social Club Marjorie Hill reported that in the works carried out some park land has been encroached upon and fencing damaged. It was agreed to invite the Planning Officer to our next meeting to give us an update.	Pat Kingwell
2.1.4	Land near Dilston Grove Gallery entrance Alison Clayburn drew attention to the poor condition of the landscape below the trees in front of the gallery. A report was requested for next meeting.	Andy Chatterton
3.	Sports Centre Tim Clee, LBS Facilities Development Officer, reported that the Council has agreed to improve the centre and has allocated £370,000 from its Olympic Legacy Fund to be used as match funding to attract external monies. The project in mind is a scaled-down version of earlier proposals, and would consist of a new 6 lane athletics track; a new synthetic football pitch; an upgrading of the existing changing rooms; and a	

	<p>softening of the visual impact of the building on the rest of the park. The revised scheme will not go beyond the existing boundary of the centre.</p> <p>In response to various questions Tim confirmed that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding is being sought from The Mayor of London and the intention is to have all funding in place by December 2012 • The aim is to begin works in early 2013 with a view to an 8 month works programme through the Council's framework contractor, Buxton • Fusion will continue to manage the centre, but maintenance will be a high priority • Charges will be affordable for local people and be modelled on the successful Bacon's College approach • Every effort will be made to ensure the athletics side of the operation is sustainable, and that a club will be developed, as will links with street athletics activities. • It is expected that revenue funding will be coming from UK Athletics and The Mayor of London • The land along Hawkstone Road, which is currently within the boundary of the centre. could be returned to the park for public use. <p>People were pleased to know that some progress is being made on this much-needed project, and invited Tim, Fusion and Buxton to come to a future meeting.</p>	Tim Clee
4.	<p>Southwark Park Old Nursery Update</p> <p>A report back was given on a meeting with Des Waters and John Wade of Southwark Council. Regrettably no tenders had been received from environmental community groups to take on responsibility for the site. The Friends had called upon Parks to now take the lead on bringing the site back into public use. Des and John had agreed to meet with us again in late September to consider how this might be done.</p> <p>It was agreed that we organise a special meeting on Saturday 1st September to try to formulate a Friends view on the future of the site. Local residents to be invited.</p>	Pat Kingwell
5.	<p>Park Manager's Report – Andrea Pita reported on a range of issues:</p> <p><u>Southwark Park</u></p> <p><u>Bowling Green Maintenance</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A bullet point summary report has been produced by Rigby Taylor following the site meeting on 21/5 and copies have been given to QSL / Bowls Club representatives, for reference purposes. A number of recommendations have been made and the operations will be undertaken during the course of the playing season / closed season, in order to ensure continuous improvement to the playing surface. <p><u>Bowling Green – Artificial Rink</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rigby Taylor also examined the condition of the artificial rink and made some recommendations to rectify the current problem with moss, plus on-going maintenance. Also jet washing/brushing has taken place it has found to be unsuccessful. However an external contractor will be treating the surface this week with a hard surface biocide, in order to control the moss and algal growth. <p><u>Bowling Green – Pavilion Roof</u></p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Following the recommendation from English Heritage to use zinc which can be coloured to match the appearance of the copper roof currently on the building and we are now awaiting quotations from three contractors. <p><u>Former Lido Fountain</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The remedial work has now been completed and we expect to start the landscape works sometime in the near future <p><u>Island Maintenance</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trust for Urban Ecology have recently cleared some debris from various parts of the lake and they will return in the Autumn to complete outstanding works to the island beds. <p><u>Ada Salter Garden</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work is currently in progress to restore the condition of the paving throughout the garden. A second quotation has yet to be obtained for the worst affected area towards the back of the garden. <p><u>Green Flag Award</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Judges visit the park on 15th June and they were very impressed with the overall condition of the park. <p><u>Trees</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Following concerns raised in the walkabout prior to the previous meeting, the Arboricultural Officer has provide some feedback to the Friends, including the condition of the Coronation Chestnut tree which is currently in fair condition. It has been strongly advised not to compromise its structure in anyway by removing the stumps that are actually part of the tree. Also by removing one section of the fencing it would greatly damage the tree as it is now surrounded by the tree and is included in the bark. <p><u>Playground Water Feature</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It appears there is still an electrical supply problem and this is being addressed with the contractor through our Repairs & Maintenance Section. There has been a strong emphasis placed to resolve this long outstanding issue as soon as possible, before the forthcoming school holiday period. <p><u>Lake Fountain</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Although the base of the fountain can still be seen, the contractor has returned and unblocked the filters around the perimeter of the base. The height of the jet water appears to be variable at different times of the day. We have yet to receive the original specification from the contractor. <p><u>St Mary's Church – Rotherhithe</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A member of the congregation has enquired if a banner similar to the size of the Bermondsey Carnival could be placed on the railings close to Rotherhithe roundabout, advertising a charity 'Olympics' BBQ event on Saturday 21st July to raise money for the restoration fund of the historic church building. The banner would be placed there during the 6 days prior to 21/6; we have given our approval of this. <p><u>King's Stairs Gardens</u></p> <p><u>Lighting Issues</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The housing lamp column and broken feeder pillar issue in front of Cathy House has finally been resolved. The Senior Lighting Engineer has 	
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	<p>confirmed all of the works have now been completed and the old lamp column will be removed next week.</p> <p><u>Proposal For New Columns</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An exercise was undertaken a few years ago regarding usage of the site in relation to new lighting and we would welcome your input into where they should be located. A lighting plan produced in April 2009 has been provided for discussion purposes at the meeting. <p>In the discussion:</p> <p>Marjorie Hill asked about the lack of planting on the carriageway drive during the Bermondsey Carnival. Andrea said it had been planned that way in order to avoid any damage, but an Olympic theme will be in place shortly.</p> <p>Amanda Squires asked that King's Stairs Gardens lighting be a standing agenda item until the problems have been resolved.</p>	
6.	Planning Matters Update	
6.1	<p>386 Southwark Park Road former Social Club (Ref: 010-AP-3548)</p> <p>Pat Kingwell reported that Alex Wyth of Alan Camp Architects indicated the works should be completed by summer 2013, but could possibly extend to December 2013.</p>	
6.2	<p>122-124 Lower Road - (Ref: 04-AP-1160) or The Yellow House</p> <p>Pat Kingwell reported that Dennis Sangweme (LBS) had visited the site and confirmed the unauthorised access to the park was not part of the 122-124 Lower Road development but rather the Yellow House. It was agreed to ask Parks if an agreement with the Yellow House over the gate had ever been made. .</p>	Pat Kingwell
6.3	<p>The Lodge, Lower Road (Ref: 12-AP-1121)</p> <p>Pat Kingwell reported an application has been made to demolish the lodge and build a holistic health centre and six flats. He had written to the applicant inviting them to a future meeting to brief us on the scheme.</p>	
7.	<p>King's Stairs Gardens Issues</p> <p>It was reported that the Jubilee event was a big success, with no damage to the park.</p>	
8.	<p>Bowling Club Update</p> <p>Colin Smith and Jim Saunders thanked The Friends for support over the replacement roof. Although not recommended as a solution it was understood that LBS had decided to go with a zinc roof. Only time will tell if this is a good decision.</p> <p>The moss on the artificial surface was dangerous and players had been advised not to use it until conditions improve. The club is concerned about liability should somebody slip and injure themselves.</p> <p>As the issue of maintenance has proved so worrying it was agreed to ask for a meeting with Henry Thompson of Parks and Quadron's Senior management.</p>	Pat Kingwell
9.	<p>Gallery Update</p> <p>None given</p>	
10.	<p>Finances</p> <p>Marjorie Hill reported the organisation is in funds.</p>	
11.	Any Other Business	
11.1	<p>Scout House</p> <p>Gary Magold alerted us to the planned closure of Scout House in 2013, and that the current access into the park may need to be reviewed under any new development.</p>	
11.2	<p>Friends Chairs</p> <p>Gary Magold reported he had located the missing chairs and would arrange with Parks to have them relocated in the park.</p>	Gary Magold Andy Chatterton
11.3	Rotherhithe Festival	

	The Festival is to be held on Saturday 14 th July and a stall has been taken. Agreed to sell remaining copies of 'Our Park' book, with proceeds going to Friends and the Dr. Salter statue fund.	
11.4	Parking at Main entrance William Cameron drew attention to mini-cab car parking. Agreed if it became a problem to liaise with owners.	
11.5	Tree Management Strategy Andrea advised that a tree survey is due to be completed by July and that the findings will inform future strategy. Agreed the results of the survey be brought back to a future meeting.	Andrea Pita
11.6	Up Market Community Charity Shop Amanda circulated a flyer about the new shop at 48 Albion Street, which opens on 12 th July. Proceeds will go to four local churches. Donations welcomed.	
12.	Dates of Future General Meetings 18 th July 2012 19 th September 2012 - AGM At 6.00pm at The Park Office, near to the Cafe in Southwark Park	
13.	Date of Old Nursery Special Meeting 1 st September – time to be confirmed	



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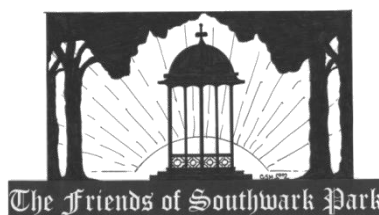
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General Meeting
Wednesday 17th October 2012 6.00pm at
The Park Office, near to the Cafe in Southwark Park

Agenda

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Notes of Annual General Meeting and General Meeting of 19th September 2012 and Matters Arising (attached)**
- 3. Former Nursery - Report Back on Meeting with Southwark Council**
- 4. Unauthorised Access – The Yellow House – update from Southwark Council**
- 5. Park Manager's Report – Andy Chatterton LBS**
- 6. Planning Matters – updates if any**
- 7. King's Stairs Gardens Lighting**
- 8. King's Stairs Gardens Issues**
- 9. Bowling Club Update**
- 10. Gallery Update**
- 11. Treasurer's Report**
- 12. Any Other Business**
- 13. Dates of Future Meetings**

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**Notes of Friends of Southwark Park Annual General Meeting
 held on 19th September 2012 at
 The Park Office, Southwark Park**

In attendance:

Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Gerry Callanan; Jean Cunliffe; Michael Daniels; Judith Deschamps; Ivy Douglas; Dave Fisher; Gary Glover; Colin Hartridge-Price; Marjorie Hill; Sandra Jones; Katie Kelly; Pat Kingwell; Cllr. Richard Livingstone; Gary Magold; Lynn Murray (London Borough of Southwark); Andrea Pita (London Borough of Southwark); Jim Saunders; Sue Sexton-Figgins; Joanne Sinton-Hewitt; Colin Smith; Amanda Squires; Susan Vaughan.

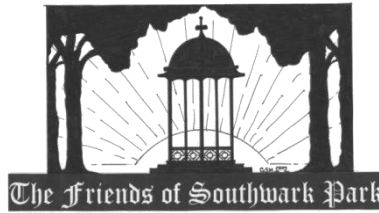
	Item	Action
	Prior to the commencement of business Lynn Murray , the new Park Attendant, was introduced to the meeting and welcomed by all present.	
1.	Apologies Alison Clayburn; Simon Hughes M.P.; Sharon Lomas (London Borough of Southwark); Patricia Preston; Cllr. Lisa Rajan; Tracey Scales; Louise Sheridan; George Witsey.	
	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING	
2.	Notes of Annual 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 requested yet again that markers be installed in the park to assist runners.	Andy Chatterton
2.1.2.	Tennis Court Refurbishment The decision to apply to Southwark Council's Cleaner, Greener, Safer fund in 2011 had been put on hold as the Council had suspended the programme. Consideration to be given to an application to the 2012 programme.	
2.1.3.	Sports Centre Gary Glover reviewed the current position on this scheme and it was agreed to invite Tim Clee of Southwark Council to the October General meeting.	Pat Kingwell
2.1.4	Unauthorised Access – Yellow House This remains unresolved and it was agreed to ask the Enforcement Officer to attend the October General meeting to update us.	Pat Kingwell
2.1.5	Rotherhithe Caryatids The meeting noted the Caryatids are a very fine attraction and benefit to the park.	
3.	Annual Report 2011/12 and Matters Arising The Annual Report outlined the actions taken by The Friends to promote, protect, enhance and develop community partnerships over the previous year. It reported on the number of meetings held and also that The Friends account is in funds. It was	Pat Kingwell

	agreed to circulate copies in the Blue Anchor and Canada Water Libraries and also send to Southwark News.	
3.1	Fireworks Display It was agreed to support a display this year, but to recommend to Southwark Events that crowd dispersal is improved by opening more gates and providing more arc lights.	Pat Kingwell
3.2	Photography Project It was noted that the project had been popular and that we should consider running it again in 2013.	
3.3	Former Lodge Lower Road At a meeting with the developer he had confirmed Planning permission had been given, including an access gate into the park. Following discussion it was agreed to recommend to Parks that suitable planting be carried out to maintain the integrity of the boundary.	Andy Chatterton
3.4	King's Stairs Gardens – Queen Elizabeth 2nd Field and Queen's Jubilee Stone It was reported that the Deed of Declaration was due to signed very soon and that the Duke of Wessex will attend on 12 th November 2.30pm to unveil the plaque and also a new inscription on the Jubilee Stone. All are invited	
4.	Election of Officers Marjorie Hill announced that she was standing down as Treasurer. The meeting warmly thanked Marjorie for her work ever since the inception of The Friends in 1995. Officers for 2012/13 were agreed as follows: Chairperson: Gary Glover; Vice-chairperson: Amanda Squires; Secretary: Pat Kingwell; Treasurer: Gary Magold; Assistant Treasurer: Ron Henocq; Membership Secretary: vacant	
5.	Election of Six (6) Committee Members Committee Members for 2012/13 were agreed as follows: Michael Daniels; Dave Fisher; Marjorie Hill; Jean Cunliffe; Sue Sexton; Susan Vaughan	
	GENERAL MEETING	
6.	Park Run Project Joanne Sinton-Hewitt gave an outline of the national organisation Park Run which has been commissioned by Southwark Council to promote weekly 5km running in some parks, including Southwark Park. The intention is to use community volunteers to help organise a run in the park every Saturday morning. Typically 20-30 people usually take part. The meeting welcomed the initiative provided that no parts of the park are closed- off or any environmental damage caused. It was suggested that this might be a way of finally getting the distance markers in the park (see 2.1.1 above).	
7.	Southwark Park Cafe Gerry Callanan, the current operator of the cafe, spoke about his experience of running the service and his ideas for the future. Several comments were made about the improvements made lately and the meeting agreed that while more could be done, any operator is clearly limited by the smallness of the present building. The Friends are aware that tendering for a new lease is due soon and it was agreed to liaise with Southwark Council to see how we might assist the process.	Pat Kingwell
8.	Notes of General Meeting 18th July 2012 and Matters Arising The notes were agreed with minor amendment and there were no matters arising not already on the agenda.	

9.	<p>Park Manager's Report Andy Chatterton reported:</p> <p><u>Southwark Park</u></p> <p><u>Bowling Green – Artificial Rink</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A site meeting will take place on 25th September @ 10-30am with a representative from Dales Sports Surfaces to review the condition. An operational report will then be provided and the recommendations will then be actioned as soon as possible. <p><u>Bowling Green Maintenance</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Following concerns raised by representatives of the bowls club on 29th August, a site meeting took place with QSL senior management on 11th September. It was agreed that the end of season maintenance renovations would commence on 1st October including the recommendations made by Rigby Taylor and Sports Turf Research Institute, rather than 26th September as originally stated. QSL will provide details of the operations to be undertaken and the dates when they are going to be carried out. It has been agreed that the damaged areas will be re-turfed in the spring, if they have not shown any signs of recovery. <p><u>Bowling Green – Pavilion Roof</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Following the receipt of three quotations and some feedback from the Insurance Assessor, we have decided to award the work to replace the copper roof covering with new 0.7 gauge green pigmented zinc sheeting, to PDC Limited. The Insurance Department will contribute £15,645 towards the total and the remaining difference of £10,183 will be paid by Parks. Our Repairs & Maintenance section will confirm the proposed starting date as soon as possible. <p><u>Playground Water Feature</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The water feature has been fitted with a new time switch and it has continued to operate throughout the whole of the summer. <p><u>Hanging Baskets</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A commitment has been made for the continuous provision of the baskets, based on obtaining funds from filming and London Tideway Tunnels. They will be changed over early next week. The Friends will need to obtain funds from sponsorships in order to ensure the baskets are not removed at the end of September 2013 - The total annual cost is £4,610. <p><u>Trees</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A full survey is currently being undertaken in Southwark Park. 14 new trees are due to be planted in the spring of which 10 are funded by section 106 in relation to the former social club. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Plane - near Jamaica Road & Roundabout gate 1 Paulownia – same location near lake 2 Cork Oaks - in play area 1 Redbud - in grassed area in front of gallery] 2 Weeping Willows – next to lake 4 Planes - in gaps in oval 1 Dawn Redwood – fallen Dawn Redwood across the path replacement 1 Cornus kousa Chinensis– in grass area between two beds near the statues 1 English Elm – near China Hall Gate on right hand side in middle of bank 	
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	<p>Six new trees will be planted at KSG consisting of 2 Poplars, 1 Sycamore and 3 Cherries.</p> <p>There is a three year maintenance period and it currently includes 34 waterings, but there is lightly to be more watering during the 1st and 2nd years. The frequency of watering will depend on seasonal conditions.</p> <p><u>Park Liaison Officer</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> John Reid has recently returned to work on a full time basis, following a long period of sickness. <p><u>Dog Control Incident – 13th September 2012</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The incident reported by a resident of Ann Moss Way has been passed to John Reid and a home visit will take place on 21st September and he will be accompanied by one of the Park Attendants. <p><u>Sculpture</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some repairs are due to be undertaken within the next couple of weeks by Yumi Shimada, who previously produced the sculpture. Support will be provided by QSL where necessary. <p><u>Head Gardener</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lynne Olding is currently reviewing a number of projects that can be undertaken over the winter months and a full update will be provided at the next meeting. <p><u>King's Stairs Gardens</u></p> <p><u>Lighting Issues</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Senior Lighting Engineer has confirmed that a capital bid has been made to deal with all the parks lighting, which includes KSG. At the moment we are waiting to hear whether or not it has been successful. <p><u>Dog Control Incident in Playground – 6th September 2012</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An incident reported by a resident of Elephant Lane has been dealt with by John Reid and it has been reported to the Met Police. The incident involved a group of teenagers with a dog and it caused great distress to the person and her two children. Some damage was caused by the dog to a piece of equipment in the playground, but luckily this has now been replaced. 	
10.	King's Stairs Gardens Lighting See Park Manager's report above.	
11.	Any Other Business	
11.1	Fountain Green Fly-tipping This continues to be a problem. Agreed Amanda and Andy to meet on site.	Amanda Squires Andy Chatterton
11.2	Father Nick's Plaque Concern was expressed about the missing plaque and it was agreed to ask Parks to consider a replacement.	Andy Chatterton
11.3	Mayor of London Trees It was agreed to put a proposal forward to Parks to offer the current Mayor of London the opportunity to plant a tree in Southwark Park, as did his predecessor. As London's first municipal park the idea is to establish now, and for the future, a	Pat Kingwell

	tradition of plantings by London Mayors. In accordance with our constitution our intention in this is strictly non-party political.	
12.	Dates of Future Meetings Dates of future General meetings were agreed: Wednesday 17 th October 2012 Wednesday 21 st November 2012 Wednesday 16 th January 2013 All 6.00pm at The Park Office.	



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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**

Pat Kingwell
Secretary
13th November 2012



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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

	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 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</p> <p><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 Hawkstone Road car park and additional lighting will be provided if necessary. <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.	<p>Planning Matters Update</p> <p>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.</p>	Pat Kingwell
7.	<p>King's Stairs Gardens Lighting</p> <p>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.</p>	
8.	<p>King's Stairs Gardens Issues</p>	

	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.	



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**General Meeting
16th January 2013 6.00pm at
The Park Office, Southwark Park**

Agenda

1. Apologies
2. Notes of General Meeting of 21st November 2012 and Matters Arising (attached)
3. Park Manager's Report – Andy Chatterton LBS
4. Old Nursery – Update and Possible Queen Elizabeth 2nd Status Application
5. Southwark Council's Friends of Parks Protocol
6. Cleaner Greener Safer Applications – update if any
7. Bowling Club Update and Possible Centenary Celebration
8. Treasurer's Report
9. King's Stairs Gardens Issues
10. Southwark Park Leaflet
11. Planning Matters – updates if any
12. Gallery Update
13. Any Other Business
14. Dates of Future Meetings

Pat Kingwell
Secretary
11th January 2013



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**Notes of Friends of Southwark Park General Meeting
held on 21st November 2012 at
The Clubroom, Rear of St. Peters Church, 72 Paradise Street, SE16**

In attendance:

Roger Bilder; William Cameron; Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Alison Clayburn; Tim Clee (London Borough of Southwark); Michael Daniels; Judith Deschamps; Ivy Douglas; Dave Fisher; Gary Glover; Marjorie Hill; Gary Magold; Michael O'Rourke; Jim Saunders; Tracey Scales; Colin Smith; Susan Vaughan;

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai;; Jean Cunliffe; Pat Kingwell; Pippa Krishnan	
2.	Notes of General Meeting of 16th October 2012 The notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising	
2.1.1	Unauthorised Access Gate – Yellow House No progress report received yet from Southwark Council officers.	
2.1.2	Park Notice Boards As requested the boards had been tidied up.	
2.1.3	Ivy on Plane Trees near Cafe Rachel Jackson, the Arboricultural Officer had given the following advice in an e-mail: "Thank you for following up with this as I have discussed the topic at length with Jon Best (Ecology Officer). We came to an agreement to selectively remove ivy on the Planes in Southwark Park. The ivy does not necessarily damage or "hurt" trees, The problem comes when the ivy over takes the crown and I need to make a full inspection of each tree. Especially on Planes that have such strong wood they will continue to grow and they have been living together for a number of years. I am going to be selectively severing ivy at the base on Planes that I cannot fully inspect and if the ivy is rather high in the crowns it will be severed at high points in the crown. I hope this addresses your concerns and please feel free to contact me directly."	
2.1.4	Bermondsey Carnival 2013 It was confirmed the event will take place in Southwark Park on 13 th July 2013. Details of music acts requested.	Pat Kingwell
2.1.5	King's Stairs Gardens Royal Visit	

	Thanks given to everybody involved in the successful Earl of Wessex's visit on 13 th November. Special mentions to Amanda, Judy, Pippa and Quadron.	
3.	<p>Sports Centre – Tim Clee (Southwark Council)</p> <p>Tim updated on plans to refurbish the centre. He indicated that bids had been made to external funders such as The Mayor of London, Sport England and UK Athletics and that if all goes to plan the scheme will be carried out in two phases – changing rooms first then track and pitch second – with a target completion date of March 2014.</p> <p>Questions were raised about maintenance plans for the improved facility and the re-incorporation of sports centre land along Hawkstone Road back into the body of the park. On the latter negotiations between FUSION and the Council's Property team are in progress. It was also suggested that fencing along Hawkstone Road needs improving and was agreed to check on our next walkabout.</p>	
4.	<p>Scout House Development</p> <p>The representative of Rydon Construction Limited did not attend so it was agreed to invite him to our next meeting.</p>	Pat Kingwell
5.	<p>Park Manager's Report</p> <p>Andy Chatterton reported on a number of issues:</p> <p><u>Southwark Park</u></p> <p><u>Distance Markers</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No further progress has been made to date, but contact will be made with Joanne Sinton- Hewitt as soon as possible, in order to review this request. <p><u>Former Lodge Lower Road Planting</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Just to reiterate that the boundaries will be planted up in the Spring. <p><u>Old Lido Fountain</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The R & M Manager has been asked to obtain some quotations to reduce the height of the railings and therefore the planting has been put on hold for the time being. <p><u>Lake Fountain</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The R & M Manager has been asked to investigate the fault of the fountain and a contractor will be reviewing this in the near future. <p><u>Bowling Green – Pavilion Roof</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The work has now been undertaken and completed and the scaffolding will be removed within the next couple of days. PDC Limited has been instructed to fit guttering to the roof and it is possible that the work will be undertaken this week. <p><u>Bowling Green – Artificial Rink</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dales Sports Surfaces have now fully restored the artificial rink and QSL have been instructed to blow off all the leaves on a daily basis. QSL would like to borrow the industrial vacuum as soon as possible, in order to compile safe working practices, risk assessments and internal training. <p><u>Bowling Green Maintenance</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A meeting took place with representatives from the bowls club and the QSL Supervisor on 19th October as agreed and the minutes will be circulated as soon as possible. There is some moss and a fungal disease which need to be treated and a request will be sent to Complete Weed Control as soon as possible, in order to eradicate both. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apart from brushing / swishing the green on a daily basis to remove the morning dew, no further maintenance will be undertaken until late January or early February. <p><u>Firework Display</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There was a larger than expected crowd and this probably created difficulty in stewarding the exiting of the event, especially towards the Jamaica Road Gates. Unfortunately this resulted in three of the formal flowerbeds being severely trampled on. The beds have now been totally replanted and the events section have met the additional cost. <p><u>Old Nursery Site</u></p> <p>The site has now been tidied up and it will be added to the grounds maintenance contract. The majority of the areas will be classed as a Conservation Border, with maintenance undertaken in the Spring / Summer and Autumn. The paths will be added as hard surface maintenance although the frequency of the operations will be variable.</p> <p><u>Cyclists in Southwark Park</u></p> <p>The Park Liaison Officer targeted cyclists earlier on today and although about 60 were observed, none were seen to cause harassment alarm or distress, although 20 were educated on slowing down for pedestrians and informed of a fine that could be issued if they were seen repeating this.</p> <p><u>Seats</u></p> <p>One of the attendants has identified on a map where the seats are currently located and it was felt that a further five would be beneficial, subject to funding being available. The R & M Manager will be asked to obtain a cost for the supply and installation.</p> <p><u>King's Stairs Gardens</u></p> <p><u>Lighting Issues</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The capital bid did not make it on to the refresh list so it could not be considered for this coming year, however it will be on the next version so it will be under consideration at that point. Daniel Robinson (Senior Lighting Engineer) attended a site meeting on 5th November and explained the reasons for not being able to change the bulbs from orange to white. Daniel also advised that lights are being shot by a high powered air rifle and has since provided photographic evidence of the damage. <p><u>QEII Funding Applications</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The London Legacy Fund application has been accepted but the Inclusion Fund application was unsuccessful on this occasion. 	
6.	King's Stairs Gardens Lighting Due to the scope of works required and associated costs it was reported that any funding bid is deferred until March/April 2013.	
7.	King's Stairs Gardens Issues	
7.1	Entrances Requested that improvements be made to the entrances at Elephant Lane, Cottle Way and Paradise Street. Andy to investigate.	Andy Chatterton

7.2	Queen Elizabeth 2 Funds Andy, Roger and Rob to meet to discuss how to spend the £10,000 grant.	Andy Chatterton Roger Bilder Rob Collis
8.	Cleaner Greener Safer Applications Update Two bids had been submitted for Southwark Park: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Old Nursery Master Plan - £20,000 • Additional tennis courts - £125,000 Decision by Community Council in Spring 2013 – update on progress at next meeting.	Pat Kingwell
9.	Planning Matters Update None given	
10.	Bowling Club Update Thanks given to Andy for his work on the roof and other matters noted in 5 above. Colin Smith reported that the league trophy will be brought to the next meeting.	Colin Smith
11.	Gallery Update None given but Marjorie and Roger reported on a very good exhibition.	Andy Chatterton
12.	Treasurer's Report Gary Magold gave a report.	
13.	Any Other Business	
13.1	Gym Request made for additional gym equipment in Southwark Park to be located in northern sector near Scout House. Andy to discuss with Max Nakrani.	Andy Chatterton
14.	Dates of Future Meetings Dates of future General meetings were agreed: Wednesday 16 th January 2013 - 6.00pm at The Park Office.	



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General Meeting

**Wednesday 20th February 2013 6.00pm at
The Park Office, Southwark Park**

Agenda

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Notes of General Meeting of 16th January 2013 and Matters Arising (attached)**
- 3. Rebecca Towers (LBS Parks and Open Spaces Manager)**
- 4. Park Manager's Report – Andy Chatterton LBS**
- 5. Southwark Park Leaflets – Amanda Squires**
- 6. Bowling Club Update and Possible Centenary Celebration – Ray Buckberry**
- 7. Treasurer's Report – Gary Magold**
- 8. King's Stairs Gardens Issues – Roger Bilder**
- 9. Planning Matters – updates if any**
- 10. Gallery Update**
- 11. Any Other Business**
- 12. Dates of Future Meetings**

**Pat Kingwell
Secretary
29th January 2013**



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Vice-Chairperson: Amanda Squires

Secretary: Pat Kingwell

Treasurer: Gary Magold

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Notes of Friends of Southwark Park General Meeting held on 16th January at The Park Office, Southwark Park

In attendance:

Roger Bilder; Alison Clayburn; Francesca Corscadden; Jean Cunliffe; Michael Daniels; Jackie Davies (Rotherhithe Primary School); Dave Fisher; Gary Glover; Colin Hartridge-Price; Pat Kingwell; Cllr. Richard Livingstone; Gary Magold; J. Moore; Lynn O'Connell; Andrea Pita (London Borough of Southwark); Jim Saunders; Tracey Scales; W. Simmons; Colin Smith; Amanda Squires;; Susan Vaughan; George Witsey

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; William Cameron; Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Ann Clayton; Judith Deschamps; Marjorie Hill; Claire Sexton	
2.	Notes of General Meeting of 21st November 2012 The notes were agreed as a true record except for the omission of Sue Sexton-Figgins from the attendance list.	
2.1	Matters Arising	
2.1.1	Bermondsey Carnival 2013 It was confirmed the event will take place in Southwark Park on 6th July 2013 . Bands agreed so far are The Real Thing and John Coghlan's Quo.	
2.1.2	Scout House Development Joe Tatham, Development Surveyor of Rydon Construction Limited sent the following e-mail: "Thank you for your email. As it stands we are not able to update The Friends as yet on the proposals as we are revising the designs following feedback from LB Southwark. The designs are still very much preliminary stages until we are more comfortable with the proposals. Once we are clearer on the direction I will be happy to talk through the proposals with The Friends. I hope this is of assistance for now." The meeting was concerned to ensure that there should be no entrance gate from the development into the park and that the Planning Officer be advised.	Pat Kingwell
2.1.3	Firework Display	Pat Kingwell

	Comments were made again about the difficulties experienced in exiting the park after the event. It was agreed to request a copy of the debriefing report from the Events Team and also to invite them to discuss at the next meeting.	
3.	Park Manager's Report Andrea Pita reported on a number of issues:	
3.1	Southwark Park - Distance Markers Joanne Sinton-Hewitt of Parkrun has not been able to identify a team of people to look after a run in Southwark Park, so at present the route is not decided. However support will be given to install distance markers, once the Parkrun issue has been resolved.	
3.2	Southwark Park - Lake Fountain The fault has been investigated and a replacement pump is due to be fitted within the next seven days. The contractor has recommended that the filters should be cleaned at least once a month, in order to ensure there is a free flow of water on a regular basis. The latter will be undertaken by The Conservation Volunteers (formerly Trust for Urban Ecology) via a service level agreement.	
3.3	Southwark Park - Old Lido Fountain The Head Gardener has recently provided a planting plan following recommendations made at previous meetings and the area will now be planted up towards the middle of March, when the weather conditions are likely to be more suitable. The height of the railings will not be reduced for the time being, as the cost to do so is proving to be extensive and it remains a serious health & safety concern. The meeting reiterated the need for the fencing to be lowered and in view of the high costs quoted (c£4000) Gary Glover said he would seek alternative quotes.	Gary Glover
3.4	Southwark Park - Bowling Green Maintenance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A representative from STRI (Sports Turf Research Institute) will visit Southwark Park on 5th February @ 10am to assess the condition of the green and a detailed report with recommendations will then be provided accordingly. • A meeting with representatives from the Bowls Club will take on 19th February @ 2.30pm and from thereon it will be held monthly until the end of the playing season. Items for the agenda would be welcomed a week before the meetings are scheduled to be held. • The green was treated for moss and fine turf disease by Complete Weed Control at the end of November and QSL undertook a light scarification on 11th January. CWC have advised that the chemical to treat the moss will still be working but the weather conditions need to be milder and warmer before it takes total effect. A further application will be applied if necessary, at no additional cost. 	
3.5	Southwark Park - Bowling Green – Artificial Rink The R & M Manager has been notified of some loose paving slabs around the perimeter of the artificial rink and the remedial works will be undertaken as soon as the weather conditions permit.	

3.6	Southwark Park - Bandstand Some remedial works to the bandstand have recently been undertaken, as the gutters and cast iron down pipes were either blocked or leaking.	
3.7	Southwark Park - Seats The R & M Manager has been asked to obtain a cost for the supply of five additional benches, following the agreement at the previous meeting.	
3.8	Southwark Park - Outdoor Gym There are no funds at present to purchase additional gym equipment in the northern sector by Scout House but enquiries will be made about costs, for reference purposes.	
3.9	Southwark Park - Wildlife / Nature Garden – Forest School A Forest School is a secure area of woodland, which acts as an outdoor classroom where children can explore, investigate and discover the natural environment. Jackie Davies of Rotherhithe Primary School explained how they have been involved with Forest School on Wednesdays since last Autumn and details of their success have been placed in the park office notice board. RPS also hopes to start using one of the raised beds in the vegetable garden, for educational purposes. Jackie expressed an interest in knowing more about the history of the site and it was agreed to send her some images. St James CE Primary School has recently expressed an interest with Forest School and they will be using the wildlife/nature garden on Tuesday and Friday mornings.	Pat Kingwell Gary Magold
3.10	King's Stairs Gardens - Fit London Legacy Fund The timescale for spending the money is tight – 50% has to be used by 16 th February and all of it by 16 th May, so a meeting will need to be arranged as soon as possible, in order to prioritise works. We will attempt to obtain an extension to the former, once we have received information from our Legal Section on the status of dedication.	
3.11	King's Stairs Gardens - Entrances A site meeting should be arranged as soon as possible to review the condition of the entrances at Elephant Lane, Cottle Way and Paradise Street, in order to discuss improvements.	
4.	Old Nursery - Update and Possible Queen Elizabeth 2nd Status Application	
4.1	Max Nakrani sent the following e-mail: "The proposed fencing works to rear of properties at Ann Moss Way has been pushed back by 4 to 6 weeks as the contractor has been delayed on their current works programme. We are now looking to commence works end of Feb to mid-March 2013."	
4.2	On QE2 status it was agreed to invite Rebecca Towers to the next meeting to discuss the subject.	Pat Kingwell
5.	Southwark Council's Friends of Parks Protocol It was agreed to invite Rebecca Towers to the next meeting to discuss the subject.	Pat Kingwell
6.	Cleaner Greener Safer Applications Update Max Nakrani had advised by e-mail that Councillors were due to shortlist schemes for funding and that a final decision will be made by April.	

	Roger Bilder reported that an application for £3,500 has been made to improve Fulford Street boundary logs.	
7.	<p>Bowling Club Update and Bowling Green Centenary Celebrations</p> <p>The trophies won by the club were on display at the meeting and congratulations were passed on to the team.</p> <p>Thanks given to LBS staff for their work on the new roof.</p> <p>On the centenary Ray Buckberry had sent the following e-mail:</p> <p>“Hi all, I have been in touch with Finsbury Park Bowls Club with a view of setting up a match on 4th May. This date is actually 1 day later than the original date in 1913 when Southwark Park lost 58 - 60. They have a committee meeting this Thursday when this will be raised. David Fifer will let me know Thursday evening if this or an alternative date can be met. Planned for a match with 3 x Triples with a start time of 2:30 pm.</p> <p>Jim also had a date (5th July) when we played Rotherhithe Police. Southwark Park lost 57 - 72 in that match. We currently have 6th July as a free date. If anyone knows if Rotherhithe or Metropolitan has a bowls team, perhaps we could arrange a re-match.”</p> <p>It was agreed that The Friends will fund a trophy for the centenary match and Gary Magold offered to investigate.</p> <p>It was agreed Sue would look into links to assist a match against the Met Police.</p>	<p>Gary Magold</p> <p>Sue Sexton-Figgins</p>
8.	<p>Treasurer’s Report</p> <p>Gary Magold reported the group is in funds. Some outstanding issues remain to be resolved over the Jubilee event funding.</p> <p>It was agreed we need a second Assistant Treasurer and Marjorie Hill was duly elected.</p>	Gary Magold
9.	King’s Stairs Gardens Issues	
7.1	<p>Thames Water Campaign</p> <p>Roger reported that although the campaign was in a quieter mode a vigilant eye will be kept on any TW proposals. He also indicated that significant question marks are being raised at governmental level over TW’s strategy.</p>	
7.2	<p>Queen Elizabeth 2 London Legacy Funds</p> <p>Concern was expressed about the apparent deadline of 31st March to spend the £10,000 grant. This would present operational difficulties, so it was agreed Roger would contact Fields in Trust to get agreement for an extension of time. Jill Gibbs will be co-ordinating the community involvements aspects of the scheme.</p>	Roger Bilder
7.3	<p>Picnic</p> <p>A picnic in KSG is being planned for June, primarily with a focus on children.</p>	Roger Bilder
7.4	<p>Inconsiderate Cycling near The Angel pub</p> <p>Cyclists by the Angel pub was raised again. The discussion mentioned that cyclists may not like riding on the cobbled road and in avoiding doing so the pavement outside the Angel pub was used. It is very narrow and anyone coming out of the pub when a cyclist is passing will inevitably result in injury to both. A suggestion was made that cement be added round the cobbles (perhaps along a strip either side of the road) so that the ride is not so bumpy, but some doubts about cost were voiced. It</p>	Colin Hartridge-Price

	<p>was also suggested that the eventual revised Salter Statues might offer a design solution.</p> <p>The meeting recognised this was a difficult problem to solve, but asked if Colin could raise the matter through Southwark Cyclists. Cllr. Livingstone also agreed to raise the matter with Barrie Hargrove.</p>	Cllr. Richard Livingstone
10.	<p>Southwark Park Leaflet</p> <p>Amanda reported interest in the recently produced banners but we need a leaflet to distribute. Agreed copy be written and leaflets ordered.</p>	Amanda Squires Pat Kingwell
11.	<p>Planning Matters Update</p> <p>None given</p>	
12.	<p>Gallery Update</p> <p>None given</p>	
13.	Any Other Business	
13.1	<p>Fountains Green Fly tipping</p> <p>Although not within the remit of The Friends of Southwark Park it was requested that the ongoing problem of fly tipping is addressed.</p>	Andy Chatterton
13.2	<p>Inconsiderate Cycling and Dangerous Dogs in Southwark Park</p> <p>Lynn O'Connell and J. Moore raised the issues based on some recent personal experiences in the park. In the discussion the point was made strongly that ALL dogs are required to be kept on a short lead. Andrea reported that it is the practice of some people to deliberately leave their dogs in the park all day while they work. Staff have experienced verbal abuse when pointing out that this is not allowed under the bye-laws. It was also said that cyclists should use their bells or voices to warn of their approach. It was suggested that consideration be given to creating dedicated cycle lanes on the park paths.</p> <p>Again, it was recognised these are not easy problems to resolve but Cllr. Livingstone was asked if he could look into what measures the Council might take to help.</p>	Cllr. Richard Livingstone
13.3	<p>Southwark Park Lake</p> <p>Gary Glover mentioned the poor state of the lake and suggested a voluntary clean up in March. Parks to consider how this can be arranged.</p>	Andy Chatterton Andrea Pita
14.	<p>Dates of Future Meetings</p> <p>Wednesday 20th February 2013</p> <p>Wednesday 20th March</p> <p>Wednesday 17th April 2013 (Preceded by walk around Southwark Park from 4.00pm)</p> <p>Wednesday 15th May 2013</p> <p>Wednesday 19th June 2013</p> <p>All at 6.00pm at The Park Office</p>	



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General Meeting

Wednesday 20th March 2013 6.00pm at

The Park Office, Southwark Park

Agenda

1. **Apologies**
2. **Notes of General Meeting of 20th February 2013 and Matters Arising (attached)**
3. **Dangerous Dogs: Operation Bark – Susan Hunter (LBS Warden Services Manager)**
4. **The Lido Fountain Planting Scheme - Lyn Olding Head Gardener**
5. **Park Manager's Report – Andy Chatterton LBS**
6. **Website Management – Volunteer Needed**
7. **The Southwark Park Act 1864 – 150th Anniversary Event – Pat Kingwell**
8. **Bowling Club Update – Ray Buckberry**
9. **King's Stairs Gardens Issues – Roger Bilder**
10. **Planning Matters – updates if any**
11. **Gallery Update – Ron Henocq**
12. **Any Other Business**
13. **Dates of Future Meetings**

Pat Kingwell
Secretary
13th March 2013



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**Notes of Friends of Southwark Park General Meeting
 held on 20th February 2013 at
 The Park Office, Southwark Park**

In attendance:

William Cameron; Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Michael Daniels; James Fearnley; Dave Fisher; Gary Glover; Colin Hartridge-Price; Marjorie Hill; Helen Kaminski; Pat Kingwell; Gary Magold; Paola Miller; Josie Moore; Cllr. Wilma Nelson; Martin O'Rourke; Kenny Peart (Quadron); Andrea Pita (London Borough of Southwark); Jim Saunders; Tracey Scales; Sue Sexton –Figgins; Colin Smith; Rebecca Towers (London Borough of Southwark); Susan Vaughan; George Witsey

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; John Benton; Roger Bilder; Alison Clayburn; Paul Cowell; Jean Cunliffe; Judith Deschamps; Ron Henocq; Stephanie Lodge; Christiana Macarthy-Woods; Amanda Squires	
2.	Notes of General Meeting of 16th January 2013 The notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising	
2.1.1	Scout House Development The meeting was concerned to ensure that there should be no entrance gate from the development into the park and that the Planning Officer be advised.	
2.1.2	Firework Display Gary Glover reported that he had met with Paul Cowell and John Benton and that a debriefing report had been prepared for the Southwark Council Cabinet member. The report includes our concerns and a copy will be coming to FOSP in due course.	Paul Cowell John Benton
2.1.3	Southwark Park - Old Lido Fountain Railings Gary Glover reported he had found a contractor who could reduce the height of the current railings for c£1200. However, Andy Chatterton indicated that the idea now is to completely replace the railings with new ones in keeping with those elsewhere in the park once Head Gardener Lyn Olding's planting scheme had time to establish itself. It was agreed to ask Lyn to attend a meeting to tell us more about the scheme.	Lyn Olding
2.1.4	Southwark Park - Wildlife / Nature Garden – Forest School	

	It was agreed Andrea would provide Pat Kingwell with Jackie Davies' contact details so that some photographs can be passed on.	Andrea Pita
2.1.5	Bowling Green Centenary Celebrations – Metropolitan Police Involvement Sue Sexton-Figgins had e-mailed her contact but had yet to receive a reply.	
2.1.6	Inconsiderate Cycling in Southwark Park and King's Stairs Gardens Colin Hartridge-Price reported that Southwark Cyclists had raised the concerns in a meeting with Cllr Barrie Hargrove and Council transport representatives. On the issue of cyclists going on the pavement outside The Angel pub so as to avoid the cobbled road, it was asked whether it might be possible to relay a strip of cobbles alongside the pavement to give a smoother road surface. This appeared not to be a problem, subject to funding, and an indicative figure of up to £15,000 was quoted. It was suggested that an application be made for Cleaner Greener Safer Fund. It was suggested that a similar cobbled stone solution might be tried in Southwark Park, particularly around the China Hall and Dilston entrances and other points where some cyclists speed. Also the provision of better signs. It was agreed Andy and Rebecca Towers look into options. On dedicated cycle lanes Rebecca Towers confirmed that this was not a Council solution as it would go against the shared access policy in parks. Colin offered to organize a 'slow down' initiative in Southwark Park and called on members to help him.	Andy Chatterton Rebecca Towers All
2.1.7	Dangerous Dogs in Southwark Park Helen Kaminski, Paola Miller and Josie Moore all recounted incidents involving dangerous dogs and threatening behaviour in the park. Reporting the matter to the police had not led to any satisfactory outcome. It was agreed that this problem requires far more attention and that it should be a main agenda item at a future meeting.	Pat Kingwell
2.1.8	King's Stairs Garden Picnic William Cameron reported that the picnic planned for a Sunday June will be like last year's Nature Trail with Teddy Bear picnic.	
2.1.9	Southwark Park Lake The poor state of the lake was again discussed and Kenny Peart indicated that he will look into it as a priority and report back to the next meeting.	Kenny Peart
3.	Rebecca Towers (LBS Parks and Open Spaces Manager) Rebecca reported on a range of borough-wide park successes, including a record number of Green Flag awards; high public satisfaction survey ratings and Quadron's excellent ground maintenance performance. She also referred to the Cabinet commitment to the park budget and three important strategies concerning Trees, Biodiversity and Open Spaces. The latter includes specific policies about the sports centre and Old Nursery sites in Southwark Park.	
3.1	Vision for Southwark Park Rebecca outlined the vision for the park which is based on high standards of maintenance; involvement of local people; and promotion of positive use of the park.	
3.2	Friends of Parks Protocol Rebecca said that the proposed protocol is out to consultation. She confirmed it is not intended to be a legally binding document or in any way against the autonomy of Friends groups. The aim is to act as a guideline which clarifies roles and responsibilities. The meeting agreed to consider signing the protocol once the final version is provided.	FOSP

3.3	Sports Centre Improvements Rebecca indicated that it is expected final funding should be in place by April after which public consultation on proposals will commence. It was suggested that consideration be given to adding the grounds maintenance of the refurbished facility to Quadron's contract and Rebecca agreed to look into it.	Rebecca Towers
3.4	The Old Nursery and Designation Rebecca confirmed that currently the site is not designated as Metropolitan Open Land, as is the rest of the park. It is protected under the Canada Water Action Plan as an open space with community use. She also indicated that an application for Queen Elizabeth Fields in Trust status would add additional protection. The meeting agreed to an application for QE2 status, but also requested Rebecca to investigate how the Old Nursery can be afforded MOL status in line with the rest of the park.	Rebecca Towers
3.5	UK Power Network Proposals Rebecca confirmed that following the Council's objections nothing is happening on the proposal to use Southwark Park as a base for tunnelling works.	
3.6	Tree Preservation Orders How many TPOs apply to Southwark Park? Andy agreed to find out.	Andy Chatterton
4.	Park Manager's Report Andy Chatterton reported on a number of issues:	
4.1	<u>Volunteer Planting Events</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We would like to introduce the events on a quarterly basis with the first event taking place on 16th March between 10am and 12 noon to gap up hedges around the perimeter of the site, especially by the former Swedish Church, Park Lodge and by Maydew House. The areas will be prepared beforehand and we would appreciate the support of 3/4 volunteers for this event. Future events to plant up the lake in July supported by The Conservation Volunteers, bulb planting in November and a further event in February 2014. 	
4.2	<u>Lake Fountain</u> A replacement pump has been fitted recently and the contractor advised the jets would need to be adjusted once it had been running for a while. QSL have undertaken this today and will monitor it on a regular basis.	
4.3	<u>Lake Condition</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Following concern raised at the previous meeting, The Conservation Volunteers will be undertaking some partial dredging in late February and early March. QSL have been instructed to ensure litter is removed from the lake throughout the day, as specified in the contract documents. 	
4.4	<u>Old Lido Fountain</u> An order has been placed with Provender Nurseries for the supply of various shallow growing plants and materials, following the recommendation by the Head Gardener. It is anticipated that they will be planted in mid-March, with the current railings remaining in place until establishment.	
4.5	<u>Bowling Green Maintenance</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A detailed report has been provided by STRI (Sports Turf Research Institute) and the content was reviewed with representatives from the Bowls Club yesterday afternoon. It has been agreed that QSL should undertake specified operations as soon as the weather conditions permit and that the playing season will commence from 13th April. 	
4.6	<u>Bowling Green – Artificial Rink</u> Loose paving slabs around the perimeter of the artificial rink have now been secured. Some remedial works to the playing surface will be undertaken by QSL.	
4.7	<u>Seats / Litter Bins</u> Some additional benches and litter bins have been ordered and they will be installed within the next few weeks.	

4.8	<u>Old Nursery Site</u> Fencing works will take approximately 10 – 15 days from the 25 th February and should be completed by 15 th March. The Community Payback Team has continued to undertake works in the area to ensure full access is available at all times.	
4.9	<u>Sculpture</u> The sculpture is currently being restored by a 3 rd party linked to the café gallery and it will be completed as soon as the weather conditions improve.	
4.10	<u>New Buggy Running Group</u> Lynne Atkinson, Run England Activator, would like to utilize the park for the buggy running group once a week. We have agreed that there will be no charge initially, as this is a funded non for profit group which hopes to be profitable in the future.	
4.11	<u>Assiden School Band, Norway</u> Marianne Bockfeldt from Eurotravel AB would like to hold a concert with 27 young musicians on the bandstand for approximately 45 minutes on 22 nd June. The request has been passed to Events who will ask for an application form to be submitted	
4.12	<u>Dangerous Dogs & Inconsiderate Cycling in Southwark Park / King's Stairs Gardens</u> The Parks Liaison Officer has targeted both sites (am & pm) in relation to the issues raised at the previous meeting and no offences were committed. These areas will continue to be targeted whilst on general patrol.	
4.13	<u>King's Stairs Gardens Fit London Legacy Fund</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A meeting took place this morning with Jill Gibbs to discuss a schedule for the first six months and a draft document will be produced as soon as possible. A site meeting will also be arranged for week commencing 4th March, Jon Best (Ecology Officer) will be invited to attend. The deed sign off and funding release has yet to be confirmed. 	
4.14	<u>King's Stairs Gardens Litter Bins/ Dog Waste Bins</u> Following a review of the general usage, new dual purpose litter bins have been purchased and will be installed within the next few weeks.	
4.15	<u>34 Elephant Lane</u> A local resident has expressed some sincere concern about the dilapidated condition of the fencing at the above property which backs on to King's Stairs Gardens and this is currently being investigated by Legal Services.	
4.16	<u>Fountain Green Fly Tipping</u> The outstanding issue relating to 4 Fountain Green will be passed to Gary Rice (Development Control) and Glen Nurse / Martin Talbot (Community Safety) for further investigation and possible action.	
5.	Southwark Park Leaflets Leaflets were presented to the meeting and thanks extended to Amanda for organising.	
6.	Bowling Club Update and Bowling Green Centenary Celebrations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The double gates to the bowling green are being left open. Kenny to check. Jim and Colin reported that a centenary match has been arranged with Finsbury Park for Saturday 4th May. 	Kenny Peart
7.	Treasurer's Report Gary Magold reported the group is in funds.	
8.	King's Stairs Gardens Issues None raised other than those noted above.	
9.	Planning Matters Update The issue of consultation with Friends was discussed and Rebecca said she would look into it.	Rebecca Towers
10.	Gallery Update An e-mail from Ron Henocq gave the following update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The recent renovation of Dilston Grove has been selected as a National Finalist for the 2013 Civic Trust Awards. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have received a capital grant from ACE to improve work on the windows in Dilston Grove, which will make the building far more flexible and contribute to our long term stability. • The Allotment will be starting again in April • We have exhibitions with the RCA printmakers in March followed by a Bermondsey Artists' Group Exhibition in April which marks the 30th anniversary of the group. • 2014 marks the 30th anniversary of the Gallery and we hope to exhibit some artworks in the park, more info to follow. • Yumi's sculpture in the lake has had some repairs and will be painted when it is warmer. 	
11.	Any Other Business	
11.1	Stakeholders Meeting Andy invited FOSP to meeting on 25 th February.	
11.2	Southwark Park Act 1864 Gary Magold reminded the meeting that April 2014 will mark the 150 th anniversary of the passing of the Act which created the park. It was agreed to plan an event.	
12.	Dates of Future Meetings Wednesday 20 th March Wednesday 17 th April 2013 (Preceded by walk around Southwark Park from 4.00pm) Wednesday 15 th May 2013 Wednesday 19 th June 2013 All at 6.00pm at The Park Office	



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General Meeting

Wednesday 24th April 2013 6.00pm at

The Park Office, Southwark Park

Preceded by a Walk around Southwark Park from 4pm

Agenda

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Notes of General Meeting of 20th March 2013 and Matters Arising (attached)**
- 3. Bee Observation Hive – Sharon Bassey (London Beekeepers Association)**
- 4. London Oktoberfest 3-6 October 2013 Consultation – Miranda Clarke (LBS Events)**
- 5. Stroke Association Three Bridges Cycle Ride 12th May – Information Item**
- 6. Park Manager's Report – Andy Chatterton LBS**
- 7. The Southwark Park Act 1864 – 150th Anniversary Events – Pat Kingwell**
- 8. Bowling Club Update – Ray Buckberry**
- 9. King's Stairs Gardens Issues – Roger Bilder**
- 10. Veolia EnviroGrant Application – Pat Kingwell**
- 11. Planning Matters – updates if any**
- 12. Gallery Update – Ron Henocq**
- 13. Any Other Business**
- 14. Dates of Future Meetings**

Pat Kingwell
Secretary
11th April 2013



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In attendance:

Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Jean Cunliffe; Ivy Douglas; Dave Fisher; Gary Glover; Colin Hartridge-Price; Marjorie Hill; Susan Hunter (London Borough of Southwark); Pat Kingwell; Gary Magold; Lynne Olding (Quadron); Andrea Pita (London Borough of Southwark); Ian Pheby; Jim Saunders; Tracey Scales; Sue Sexton –Figgins; Colin Smith; Susan Vaughan

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2.1.1	Scout House Development The meeting was concerned to ensure that there should be no entrance gate from the development into the park and that the Planning Officer be advised.	
2.1.2	Firework Display It was agreed to ask Events Team for a copy of the Council's debriefing report.	Pat Kingwell
2.1.3	Tree Preservation Orders Andy agreed to find out from the Tree Services Manager. About TPOs in Southwark Park	Andy Chatterton
3.	The Lido Fountain Planting Scheme – Lynne Olding (Quadron – Head Gardener) Lynne reported that she and the Static Team Leader had planted the area up on 19 th March and that once the weather improves we should have a fine scheme. The meeting passed on congratulations to Lynne and her colleagues for the way the park is looking, especially around the lake, the carriageway drive and the general grass cutting.	
4.	Dog Issues: Operation Bark – Susan Hunter (LBS Warden Services Manager) Susan briefed the meeting on the work of Operation Bark and indicated that the main priority was dangerous dogs, i.e. dogs that are banned by law e.g. American Pit Bull Terrier; Fila	

	<p>Brasilia; Dogo Argentino and Japanese Tosa. She distinguished between these officially dangerous dogs and those that may be dangerous, but are not banned as such.</p> <p>Susan said that legislation exists which applies to dogs in parks. The Control of Dogs Order 1992 states that any dog in a public place must wear a collar with the name and address (including postcode) of the owner engraved or written on it. A fine of up to £5,000 may be levied if a dog does not wear an identification tag. The Dangerous Dogs (Amendment) Act 1997 created a new offence of being an owner of a dog which is dangerously out of control in a public place.</p> <p>It was agreed that Susan and Andy should liaise with Ruth Backhurst of Community Wardens to arrange for a 'Good Owner' campaign in Southwark Park this summer. It was also agreed to use Susan's handout as a basis for publicity in the park notice boards.</p>	<p>Susan Hunter Andy Chatterton</p>
5.	<p>Park Manager's Report</p> <p>Andy Chatterton reported on a number of issues:</p>	
5.1	<p><u>Volunteer Planting Event</u></p> <p>The event has been rescheduled to 23rd March 10am - noon to gap up hedges around the perimeter of the site, we would appreciate 3/4 volunteers to assist with the planting.</p>	
5.2	<p><u>Lake Fountain</u></p> <p>The condition of the fountain continues to cause concern and although QSL have agreed to clean the jets periodically we will arrange for the contractor who maintains the fountain at Burgess Park to visit and undertake a review of the current system.</p>	<p>Andy Chatterton</p>
5.3	<p><u>Lake Condition</u></p> <p>The Conservation Volunteers have successfully undertaken a dredging exercise and it is felt that the condition of the lake has improved considerably. The current contract specification states "The Contractor will maintain water features in a clean, litter free condition at all times to the cleanliness standards of the EPA zone within which the feature falls".</p>	
5.4	<p><u>Old Lido Fountain</u></p> <p>See 3 above</p>	
5.5	<p><u>Bowling Green Maintenance</u></p> <p>A meeting took place with representatives from the Bowls Club and it was agreed that QSL should continue to undertake the specified operations whenever the weather conditions permit, in order to ensure the season commences on 13th April. The minutes of the meeting will be produced and circulated as soon as possible.</p>	
5.6	<p><u>Seats / Litter Bins</u></p> <p>Some additional benches and litter bins have been ordered and they will be installed soon.</p>	
5.7	<p><u>Old Nursery Site</u></p> <p>The fencing works have virtually been completed although the contractor is due to return shortly to strength a couple of the retaining posts at the top of the site.</p>	
5.8	<p><u>Inconsiderate Cycling in Southwark Park King's Stairs Gardens</u></p> <p>This subject was discussed in depth at the stakeholders meeting on 25th February and it was felt that if cobbles are to be placed we need to bear in mind wheelchairs users and people who push buggies.</p> <p>John Reid (Park Liaison Officer) has carried out a monitoring operation in both sites and has not found any cyclists causing anyone harassment, alarm or distress. JR has estimated that between 7.30am and 9.15am weekdays approximately 60 to 80 cyclists cut through the park mainly from China Hall to Christchurch Gates, but no 'Fixed Penalty Notices' have had to</p>	

	<p>be issued. Although there is no speed limit for cyclists in Southwark Park, laminated signs have been placed on each gate advising cyclists to slow down and to be aware of pedestrians.</p> <p>During the discussion it was clear Colin's offer to organize through Southwark Cyclists a 'slow down' initiative in Southwark Park had received a very limited response from FOSP members.</p>	
5.9	<p><u>Sports Centre Improvements</u></p> <p>Although no progress has been made to date we will continue to research the possibility of transferring the areas to the grounds maintenance contract, in order to ensure that they are all maintained to the same standard.</p>	
5.10	<p><u>Dangerous Dogs in Southwark Park</u></p> <p>At the recent stakeholders meeting the Park Liaison Officer confirmed the following: - Dogs by law do not have to be on a lead, dog on dog attack is a civil matter, the police will not come out unless the dog has bitten you, by 2016 all dogs must be chipped.</p>	
5.11	<p><u>Damaged Railings near Sports Centre</u></p> <p>Some railings have been damaged recently and they will be repaired as soon as possible.</p>	
5.12	<p><u>The Old Nursery and Designation</u></p> <p>Rebecca Towers has advised that there may be an opportunity to designate the old nursery site as MOL and we are still looking into it.</p>	Rebecca Towers
5.13	<p><u>Planning Matters Update</u></p> <p>It appears 'Planning' have been sending notifications to the wrong email address for 'Parks' and this has now been resolved. They have also been advised of the FoSP email address and for future reference the information can be found online using the following link to search for the application that you want. The consultation information is included within the application details (tabbed). http://www.southwark.gov.uk/info/485/planning_applications/554/search_the_planning_applications_register</p> <p>In discussion Cllr. Anood al-Samerai expressed her dismay that action she had taken over a year ago to sort out the notifications issue had taken so long to be acted upon. She requested that Andy advise her of any Planning related communications he has received of late.</p>	Andy Chatterton
5.14	<p><u>King's Stairs Gardens - Fit London Legacy Fund</u></p> <p>The Senior Lawyer (Legal Services) advised on 5th March that it would take 2-3 weeks for FIT to seal the Deed of Dedication. A site meeting has yet to be arranged, but we will ensure it is scheduled as soon as possible in order to commence the 1st stage of the work. The condition of the entrances at Elephant Lane, Cottle Way and Paradise Street, will be reviewed whilst on site.</p>	Andy Chatterton
5.15	<p><u>Lifebuoy Stands by the Jubilee Stone</u></p>	Andy Chatterton

	The Asset Manager–Structure Engineer will be asked to review the condition of the lifebuoy stands in order to avoid future vandalism, following a report received from Simon Kenward.	
6.	Website Management Pat reported that David Gee, who has voluntarily managed our website, is now living in Scotland and has asked if somebody else could take on the task. It was agreed to ask members. The meeting also expressed great thanks to David for his work on the website.	
7.	The Southwark Park Act 1864 – 150th Anniversary Event – Pat Kingwell Pat reminded the meeting that 28 th April 2014 marks the 150 th anniversary of the Southwark Park Act. It was agreed to plan some celebrations and explore funding possibilities.	Pat Kingwell
8.	Bowling Club Update Colin Smith reported that a problem with foxes under the container is being addressed.	
9.	King’s Stairs Gardens Issues None raised.	
10.	Planning Matters Update None raised	
11.	Gallery Update None given	
12.	Any Other Business	
12.1	Allotments Ivy Douglas asked about the possibility of an area within the Old Nursery site being allocated to The Friends of Southwark Park to use. It was agreed that Andy and Andrea should look into it, mindful of any implications for The Friends CGS bid for a Master Plan.	Andy Chatterton Andrea Pita
12.2	Rotherhithe Festival Pat reported that the Festival is in King George’s Field on Saturday 27 th July and that The Friends have taken a stall.	
12.3	Open Air Laboratories Project (OPAL) Pat reported that Eleanor Reast from the Lottery-funded project will be speaking at our May 15 th meeting about encouraging volunteers to help with their tree health survey.	
13.	Dates of Future Meetings It was agreed to change the next meeting date to Wednesday 24th April 2013 (preceded by walk around Southwark Park from 4.00pm) Wednesday 15th May 2013 Wednesday 19th June 2013 All at 6.00pm at The Park Office	



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General Meeting

Wednesday 15th May 2013 6.00pm at

The Park Office, Southwark Park

Agenda

1. **Apologies**
2. **Notes of General Meeting of 24th April and Matters Arising (attached)**
3. **Tree Health Survey Volunteering – Eleanor Reast (Open Air Laboratories Project)**
4. **Southwark Council's Tree Strategy and Southwark Park – Gary Meadowcroft (LBS Tree Services Manager)**
5. **Cleaner, Greener Safer Applications Update – Gary Glover**
6. **Park Manager's Report – Andy Chatterton LBS**
7. **The Southwark Park Act 1864 – 150th Anniversary Lottery Bid – Pat Kingwell**
8. **Bowling Club Update – Ray Buckberry**
9. **King's Stairs Gardens Issues – Roger Bilder**
10. **Gallery Update – Ron Henocq**
11. **Planning Matters – updates if any**
12. **Outstanding Issues (attached)**
13. **Any Other Business**
14. **Dates of Future Meetings**

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**Notes of Friends of Southwark Park General Meeting
held on 24th April 2013 at
The Park Office, Southwark Park**

In attendance:

Sharon Bassey; Ray Buckberry; William Cameron; Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Miranda Clarke (London Borough of Southwark); Alison Clayburn; Jean Cunliffe; Judith Deschamps; Ivy Douglas; Dave Fisher; Gary Glover; Colin Hartridge-Price; Ron Henocq; Marjorie Hill; Pat Kingwell; Gary Magold; Andrea Pita (London Borough of Southwark); Jim Saunders; Tracey Scales; Sue Sexton –Figgins; Colin Smith; Amanda Squires; Graham Taylor; George Witsey; Edward ?

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Roger Bilder; Michael Daniels; Cllr. Barrie Hargrove; Simon Hughes M.P.; Cllr. Wilma Nelson; Cllr. Lisa Rajan; Sheila Taylor; Susan Vaughan	
2.	Notes of General Meeting of 20th March 2013 The notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising	
2.1.1	Firework Display The Events Team had provided a copy of the Council's debriefing report. The intention is to continue to hold the event in Southwark Park taking on board all of our concerns.	
2.1.2	Dogs – Good Owner Campaign Andy Chatterton confirmed the intention to carry out the campaign in Southwark Park in the summer in conjunction with Susan Hunter and Ruth Backhurst.	Andy Chatterton
3.	Bee Observation Hive – Sharon Bassey Sharon explained that she was attending in a private capacity to seek support in gaining funds for an observation hive in the wildlife area near the wormery site. Sharon was advised that our own funds are stretched but we could help with an application to external bodies such as the North Southwark Environment Trust and United St. Saviours Trust. It was also suggested that Parks could apply to the next round of Cleaner, Greener Safer funding.	
4.	London Oktoberfest 3-6 October 2013 Consultation – Miranda Clarke (LBS Events) Miranda did not have a full application and detailed site plans to hand but did brief the meeting on the proposal from London Oktoberfest to run a commercial traditional Bavarian stage show and drinking event in the northern sector of Southwark Park on a site between the Christchurch and Paradise Gates. This would take place in a large marquee bounded by a	

	<p>picket fence. Admission would be for adults only except on Sunday 6th when families could attend. On Saturday 5th an admission fee would be charged, but not on other days. Attendances are predicted at 1500, with 2000 on Saturday. Miranda confirmed that before any permission is given an Advisory Group including police and other agencies would have to review the application.</p> <p>In the discussion many issues were raised including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The charging of an admission fee for a strictly commercial goes against the tradition of free events in the park and The Friends long-held policy on this matter • The proposed longer opening hours may impact on park neighbours and do not square with those applied to the Bermondsey Carnival • Access to rest of park for general public not visiting the event to be clarified • Appropriate level of reinstatement bond to be clarified • Toilet provision to be clarified • Are local people seen as customers of the event • Impact on area of large numbers leaving the park after the event <p>It was agreed to ask a representative of London Oktoberfest to attend a future meeting with more detailed plans.</p>	Miranda Clarke
5.	<p>Stroke Association Three Bridges Cycle Ride 12th May</p> <p>Miranda briefed the meeting on the charity ride which has been well run in Southwark Park in the past. This year the cyclists are in the park from 8am-10am.</p>	
6.	<p>Park Manager's Report</p> <p>Andy Chatterton reported on a number of issues:</p>	
6.1	<p><u>Southwark Park Lake Condition</u></p> <p>The Conservation Volunteers will be undertaking a further dredging exercise within a few weeks and this will be supported by volunteers from the FoSP. Ben Dewhurst will confirm a date a week beforehand to ensure the Friends are notified well in advance.</p>	
6.2	<p><u>Southwark Park Parkrun</u></p> <p>A meeting has been arranged for 25th April with Cat Attfield and David White (Run! Athletics Activator- Southwark) to progress with Parkrun. The installation of distance markers to assist runners in the park will be discussed.</p>	
6.3	<p><u>Southwark Park Children's Playground – Water Feature</u></p> <p>Although a contractor has confirmed the electrical supply is fine, the pump has yet to be checked. It is hoped that facility will be functional again in the near future.</p>	
6.4	<p><u>Southwark Park Bowling Green Maintenance</u></p> <p>A meeting took place with representatives from the Bowls Club on 23rd April and QSL will ensure the relevant maintenance issues are dealt with as a matter of urgency. The minutes of the meeting will be produced and circulated as soon as possible.</p>	
6.5	<p><u>Southwark Park Tree Preservation Orders</u></p> <p>It has been confirmed that the whole of the park is covered by a Tree Preservation Order.</p>	
6.6	<p><u>Southwark Park Café – Mosaic</u></p> <p>The mosaic had to be removed recently as it was found to be in a dangerous condition. A full account of the condition has been provided by the contractor who undertook a thorough examination before they commenced the work. (see also 13.1 below)</p>	
6.7	<p><u>King's Stairs Gardens - Grounds Maintenance Issues</u></p> <p>Recent issues have been addressed with the maintenance team and although some shrub pruning has been carried out, it has been undertaken in accordance with the specification. A</p>	

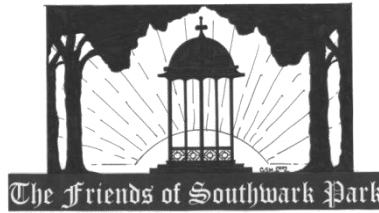
	<p>representative from SKSAG has thanked the Parks Team for arranging for the work to be done, as it had been considered a serious H & S issue for quite sometime.</p> <p>As regards applying wood chippings to a desire line, the mobile team has been advised to only undertake works of this nature following instructions from their Supervisor or the Operational Area Authorised Officers. (see also 9. below)</p>	
6.8	<p><u>King's Stairs Gardens - Fit London Legacy Fund</u></p> <p>A site meeting on 28th March discussed works for the 1st stage of the LLF and it was agreed that two meadow areas should be created in the large grass area in front of Cathay House and by the grass area close to Rotherhithe roundabout. This will commence next week. Both areas will be fenced off until establishment. Also, the existing butterfly border will be extended and a new border will be created and planted with bee loving plants following a recommendation from the Parks Ecology Officer and Southwark Park Head Gardener.</p>	
7.	<p>The Southwark Park Act 1864 – 150th Anniversary Event – Pat Kingwell</p> <p>Pat circulated a discussion paper on a potential Heritage Lottery Fund application to celebrate the passing of the Southwark Park Act and it was agreed to submit a bid in May.</p>	Pat Kingwell
8.	<p>Bowling Club Update</p> <p>Ray Buckberry reminded the meeting that the centenary celebration match with Finsbury Park takes place on 4th May from 2.30 on the green.</p> <p>Ray said that a match with the Metropolitan Police is also on the cards later in the summer.</p> <p>Jim Saunders reported that the club had been approached about a match with people with disabilities and this would also be arranged.</p>	
9.	<p>King's Stairs Gardens Issues</p> <p>William Cameron reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> that Save King's Stairs Action Group had submitted their comments to the Planning Inspectorate about the Thames Tunnel The new logs in Fulford Street had been installed and look good Work is being undertaken with bat boxes and stag beetles Some of the Cottle Way lighting is failing. Andy requested details of specific lighting column numbers <p>In the discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The steel map near Braithwaite and Dean needs updating A desire line has existed for 28 years from the Mayflower Street private car park to Jamaica Road. Leaseholders in the flats who own the car park have asked that the desire line NOT be mulched despite people slipping in the mud. This has not been done for several years. This year the park team did mulch it and on enquiry by Gill Gibbs were told that FoSP and Amanda Squires had requested it. This statement has been refuted by both. The meeting agreed that either the path remained but needed to be made safe, or that the owners of the car park blocked access to the park. William Cameron was asked to relay this to Roger Bilder for him to make contact with Mary Watts who represents the residents of the flats. The legal status of a desire line for so many years needs to be clarified. A desire line from Cottle Way towards the river was established when the walkway was closed for building work at no 12/14 Kings Stairs Close. Cyclists have caused the Cottle Way end to become very muddy and the desire line cuts through the area used by children playing football. It was agreed that Andy consider extending the E rail along Cottle Way to deter cyclists but allow pedestrians and begin to make good the desire line by re-grassing. 	<p>William Cameron</p> <p>William Cameron</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The desirability of the formation of a Friends of King's Stairs Gardens group was raised. Gary Glover reminded the meeting that this had been suggested before but had not been taken up by the King's Stairs Action Group. 	Andy Chatterton
10.	Veolia EnviroGrant Application Pat Kingwell reported that he had submitted an application to Veolia for a grant to create a Southwark Park Children's Nature Trail leaflet. A decision should be known by June.	
11.	Planning Matters Update None raised	
12.	Gallery Update Ron Henocq reported: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Despite adverse weather conditions the gallery had 3,500 visitors in March/April A senior's art school is to be held in Dilston Grove The community allotments is open and had 18 visitors on first day A South Bank University exhibition is forthcoming Work on the sculpture on the lake island due to be completed by 18th May Dilston Grove bike racks and benches needs resolving Andy and Ron to meet 	Andy Chatterton Ron Henocq
13.	Any Other Business	
13.1	Cafe Mosaic Concern was expressed about the lack of consultation or information provided before removal of the mosaic. There is also uncertainty over the whereabouts of the mosaic pieces, so it seems unlikely that it can be retrieved. It was agreed that Parks should liaise with the Gallery and advise Pilgrims Way Primary School of the situation.	Andrea Pita
14.	Dates of Future Meetings Wednesday 15th May 2013 Wednesday 19th June 2013 Wednesday 17th July 2013 All at 6.00pm at The Park Office	

Item 12 Outstanding Issues

Some important issues raised over the past year remain unresolved. At the last meeting it was agreed to regularly flag them up on the agenda to encourage action.

	Subject	Issues	Action
1	Southwark Park Sports Centre Refurbishment	On this major capital project we have been advised that bids to external funders such as The Mayor of London, Sport England and UK Athletics have been submitted and that Southwark Council funding is in place. The scheme should be carried out in two phases – changing rooms first then track and pitch – with a target completion date of March 2014. We request an update.	Tim Clee
2	Southwark Park Sports Centre Boundary - Hawkstone Road	The Friends have requested that the Council consider re-incorporating a portion of land back into the body of the park for public use and that ground maintenance is transferred from Fusion to Quadron. We require an update on the negotiations between Fusion and the Council's Property team.	Rebecca Towers
3	Southwark Park Old Nursery Planning Designation and QE2 status	The Friends have requested that the Council consider how the Old Nursery can be afforded MOL status in line with the rest of the park and also that the question of Queen Elizabeth Field status be investigated.	Rebecca Towers
4	Southwark Park Scout House Development	Rydon Construction Limited plan to redevelop Scout House which borders on the park. We have invited Rydon to brief us on the content of the scheme. Our main concern is to ensure that there should be no entrance gate from the development into the park and that the relevant Planning Officer be advised.	Joe Tatham Development Surveyor Rydon
5	Southwark Park Former Lodge Lower Road	Planning approval has been given for a housing and complementary health centre development on the site. The Friends requested that the integrity of the park boundary is secured through planting or other landscaping means. We have been advised that planting is due in Spring 2013.	Andy Chatterton
6	Former Social Club 386 Southwark Park Road	A housing and social centre development is underway on the boundary of the park. The Friends are concerned that the integrity of the park boundary is secured and that there has been no loss of land.	Andy Chatterton
7	Southwark Park Mayor of London Trees	As the first municipal park opened in London The Friends proposed establishing a tradition of planting of a tree by each Mayor of London. Southwark Council's Arboricultural Officer indicated that Parks would be acting on the suggestion. We request an update.	Rebecca Towers



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General Meeting
Wednesday 19th June 2013 6.00pm at
The Gallery in Southwark Park

Agenda

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Notes of General Meeting of 15th May and Matters Arising (attached)**
- 3. London Oktoberfest 3-6 October 2013 Update**
- 4. Stalls at Bermondsey Carnival and Rotherhithe Festival**
- 5. Park Manager's Report – Andy Chatterton LBS**
- 6. Any Other Business**
- 7. Dates of Future Meetings**

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 held on 15th May 2013 at
 The Park Office, Southwark Park**

Present:

Roger Bilder; Alison Clayburn; Jean Cunliffe; Ivy Douglas; Gary Glover; Marjorie Hill; Pat Kingwell; Gary Magold; Gary Meadowcroft(London Borough of Southwark);(Andrea Pita (London Borough of Southwark); David Potter; Eleanor Reast (Open Air Laboratories);Sue Sexton; Colin Smith

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Rose Ades; Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; William Cameron; Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Michael Daniels; Gavin Halil (Fusion); Colin Hartridge-Price; Stephanie Lodge; Josie Moore; Jim Saunders; Clare Sexton; Louise Sheridan; Amanda Squires; Susan Vaughan	
2.	Notes of General Meeting of 24th April 2013 The notes were agreed as a true record apart from following two items: <u>King's Stairs Gardens/Mayflower Street Desire Line</u> - Jill Gibbs contacted to advise she had not enquired about the bark chippings. <u>King's Stairs Gardens/Planning Inspectorate submission</u> – KSAG were 'due' to submit rather than 'had'. The meeting agreed both amendments to the notes.	
2.1	Matters Arising	
2.1.1	London Oktoberfest 3-6 October 2013 It was reported that since our last meeting permission had been granted for the event. It was agreed to contact Paul Cowell of Southwark Events for confirmation.	Pat Kingwell
2.1.2	Southwark Park Sports Centre (see also 12.1 below) Following a site meeting by Southwark Council officers Alan Scott (Leisure Contracts and Facilities Officer) sent an e-mail: "Tim Clee, Andy Chatterton , Gavin Halil and myself were able to meet and walk around the perimeter of the athletics track and we discussed or agreed the following:	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most importantly for the future of the site, Tim provided an update on the current situation regarding funding. He is optimistic that over the next 4-6 months that funding will be secured and we can start to look to deliver the project. • Tim also spoke with Andy about the plans to hand the strip of land behind the spectator seating back to the park. Tim will speak the head of parks, Rebecca Towers to progress this matter. • Gavin (Fusion general manager for Seven Islands Leisure Centre and Southwark Park Sports Centre) confirmed that they have agreed with a contractor to visit the site on a monthly basis. Previous visits have focussed on clearing away an excessive build up of shrubbery that was growing around the main building entrance and more recently to cut back and remove the build up of large weeds in and around the athletics track. • Gavin agreed to ensure that all the grounds to the left and right hand side of the entrance (and stretching just around the left hand corner of the building next to the path) would be fully cut back, properly cleared and tidied up to make the area more presentable to members of the public who walk by on the busy path. Gavin will try to ensure that this work is added on to the schedule of his grounds maintenance contractors who will next be visiting at some point over the next two weeks. • Gavin has also promised to obtain a quote for cutting back and clearing away the long grass that sits between the athletics track and the path that runs parallel to it with the aim of completing that work on a future visit. • Gavin will ensure that his staff continue to remove any litter and debris that collects around the athletics track <p>We agreed that as the future of site should be confirmed in the coming months that it would be fair for Gavin to concentrate mainly on tidying up the areas listed above which are most visible to the public. Gavin is keen to meet you to establish a constructive relationship so maybe you could both arrange to meet at a convenient time.”</p>	
3.	<p>Tree Health Survey Volunteering – Eleanor Reast (Open Air Laboratories Project)</p> <p>Eleanor gave a presentation on OPAL’s Tree Health Survey which had just been launched. The aim is to encourage public participation to help protect trees. It was agreed that Eleanor would send a box of survey packs to Andrea. These could be given out to interested members of the public. It was also agreed to distribute them from our stall at the Bermondsey Carnival and Rotherhithe Festival. Packs can also be downloaded from OPAL’s website www.opalexplornature.org</p>	Eleanor Reast Andrea Pita Pat Kingwell
4.	<p>Southwark Council’s Tree Management Strategy and Southwark Park – Gary Meadowcroft (LBS Tree Services Manager)</p> <p>Gary gave a presentation on the strategy and amongst many points of information he reported;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approximately 60,000 trees are managed by the Council – some 25k in parks • There are 5 dedicated officers, though presently the Parks Tree Officer is unfilled • There is a budget of c£1m of which c£143k is for parks • Records of all trees are kept through a Tree Management System • Full visual assessments of parks trees take place every 5 years • Southwark Park has no known major tree management issues at the moment <p><i>The full strategy may be viewed on:</i> www.southwark.gov.uk/download/.../tree_management_strategy_2013</p>	
5.	<p>Cleaner, Greener Safer Applications Update – Gary Glover</p> <p>Gary reported that The Friends had been successful in obtaining grants for The Old Nursery Master Plan (£20k) and New Tennis Courts (£100k). It was agreed to formally thank the Community Council for their support.</p> <p>On the Old Nursery project Max Nakrani is our main Southwark Council contact and the proposed timetable of events is:</p>	Pat Kingwell

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By 18th June consultant tender returns • By 24th June consultant interviews • By 28th June consultant appointment • By 22nd November final Master Plan received <p>On the tennis courts Southwark Council officers are investigating possibility of securing additional funding from other grant sources. In the discussion it was suggested that a good opportunity now exists to form a Southwark Park Tennis Club.</p>	
6.	Park Manager's Report Andrea reported on a number of issues:	
6.1	<u>Southwark Park Hanging Baskets</u> Quadron Services Limited have very kindly agreed to sponsor the continuous provision of the hanging baskets until 31 st May 2014.	
6.2	<u>Southwark Park Parkrun / Boot Camp</u> Andrea gave feedback from the meeting held on 25 th April and the recent licence applications.	
6.3	<u>Southwark Park Children's Playground – Water Feature</u> The water feature has been repaired and the clock set to operate at various times of the day. Laminated signs will be placed on the adjacent railings indicating times of operation.	
6.4	<u>Southwark Park Bowling Green Maintenance</u> There are no major concerns at present and a meeting is scheduled with representatives from the Bowls Club on 21 st May. The minutes of the previous meeting will be produced and circulated within the next two days. A specialist contractor has been on site today to resolve the problem with foxes underneath the grounds maintenance container.	
6.5	<u>Southwark Park Coronation Chestnut Tree</u> New railings will be installed around the tree as discussed during the walkabout at the previous meeting. Browse Bion have advised that a commemorative plaque can be produced and sent to Southwark Park by 17 th June, providing the exact wording is confirmed by 21 st May, if not beforehand. It is understood there will be an official unveiling of the plaque prior to the evening meeting on 19 th June.	
6.6	<u>Southwark Park Café – Mosaic</u> Ron Henocq has inspected the mosaic pieces and advised they would serve no further purpose. The pieces will remain in the staff car park for the time being. Andrea reported she had updated Pilgrims Way Primary School on the situation.	
6.7	<u>Southwark Park – Dogs and Good Owner Campaign</u> A Dog fouling event will be held in Southwark Park on 16 th June from 11am -3pm and it is hoped that the literature previously provided by Susan Hunter will be available on the day.	
6.8	<u>King's Stairs Gardens Lighting –Cottle Way</u> Lamp column No 20 operates intermittently early evenings but cuts out at 10pm. The fault has been logged on the customer enquiry system for action as soon as possible.	
6.9	<u>King's Stairs Gardens - Grounds Maintenance Issues</u> The desire line which leads to Mayflower Street will be reviewed soon in order to agree reinstatement works. A site meeting will also be arranged soon with the Repairs & Maintenance Manager to discuss extending the rail along Cottle Way and to consider other remedial works.	
6.10	<u>King's Stairs Gardens - Fit London Legacy Fund</u>	

	The new meadow areas are currently being created and the plants have been ordered for the new borders, to increase biodiversity and to help butterflies and bees. It is envisaged that the borders will be planted up by a couple of volunteers with the support of the Southwark Park Head Gardener, within the next couple of weeks.	
7.	<p>The Southwark Park Act 1864 – 150th Anniversary Event – Pat Kingwell Pat had invited several local schools to participate and was awaiting reply. He expects to submit a bid to HLF in June.</p> <p>Andrea reported Browse Bion have provided costs for two options for the supply and fitting of six interpretation boards. Free standing lanterns with coloured photographs size 900mm x 300mm H = £7,800 or monochrome = £6,600 plus a fitting charge of £888-75. Following a review of the area along the western boundary, costs will be obtained for the provision of suitable shrubs to plant along the area. It is believed that volunteers and schools could participate in the preparation and planting operation next year.</p>	Pat Kingwell
8.	<p>Bowling Club Update - Colin Smith</p> <p>Colin reported on three very successful centenary celebration match with Finsbury Park on 4th May and thanked Parks Team and The Friends for their support.</p>	
9.	<p>King's Stairs Gardens Issues – see also 6.8 - 6.10 above <u>Mayflower Street Desire Line</u> Roger Bilder asked for views and it was agreed to hold a site meeting with Parks staff.</p>	
10.	<p>Gallery Update Andrea reported that a Dilston Grove site meeting took place on 29th April and we are currently waiting for a contractor to provide a quotation to undertake remedial works to the wall. A cycle rack will be ordered and installed as soon as possible, at the agreed location.</p>	
11.	<p>Planning Matters Update – Scout House</p> <p>Rydon Construction Company emailed an update. They have had pre-application discussions with Southwark Planners and are awaiting feedback. Tracy Bradwell will be leading on the project for Rydon and is aware of our request for more details of the scheme.</p>	
12.	Outstanding Issues	
12.1	<p><u>Southwark Park Sports Centre Boundary – Hawkstone Road</u> Andrea reported a site meeting took place on 9th May and Gavin Halil (Seven Islands Leisure Centre Manager) has agreed to focus on getting the areas close to the boundary fence tidied up within the next two weeks and will arrange for a quotation to be provided to cut and clear the arisings from the grass area between the athletics track and the path. Gavin will also ensure that his staff continue to remove any litter and debris that collects around the athletics track. Property have been instructed to amend the lease regarding the strip of land.</p>	
12.2	<p><u>Southwark Park Old Nursery Planning Designation and QE2 Status</u></p> <p>Andrea reported the QE2 bid is due to be submitted and Parks have recommended the Old Nursery site be designated as Metropolitan Open Land in the new Southwark Plan.</p>	
12.3	<p><u>Southwark Park Former Lodge Lower Road</u></p> <p>Andrea reported planting has taken place by the above and also by the barren area in front of Maydew House. We had previously planned to engage volunteers for this, but due to the severe weather conditions the work eventually had to be undertaken by the park static team.</p>	
12.4	<p><u>Former Social Club 386 Southwark Park Road</u></p> <p>Andrea reported the integrity of the park boundary will be dealt with through planning, in order to ensure there has been no loss of land.</p>	

12.5	<u>Southwark Park Mayor of London Trees</u> Gary Meadowcroft (Tree Services Manager) gave an update and agreed to supply a tree for 150 years of the park for The Mayor of London to plant.	Gary Meadowcroft
13.	Any Other Business	
13.1	Thanks to Gardeners Josie Moore had alerted us to actions taken by two young gardeners who came to the aid of a trapped dog in Southwark Park Sports Centre. It was agreed to write to Quadron to register our appreciation.	Pat Kingwell
13.2	Queen's Voluntary Award Visit Gary Magold has arranged a visit to Southwark Park by Mrs. Jenny Bianco, Deputy Lieutenant for Southwark on 30 th May. The Friends may be nominated for an award.	Gary Magold
13.3	Croquet Club We received an email from Pauline Adenwalla congratulating The Friends on securing funding for new tennis courts. She also asked if it might be possible to establish a croquet club. The meeting thought this a good idea and agreed to write to Pauline with our support.	Pat Kingwell
13.4	Friends of Parks Conference 29th June at Dulwich Park It was agreed that Gary Magold and Pat Kingwell would attend.	Pat Kingwell Gary Magold
14.	Dates of Future Meetings Wednesday 19th June – 6.00pm at The Gallery Wednesday 17th July – 6.00pm at The Park Office Wednesday 18th September – Annual General Meeting - 6.00pm at The Park Office	



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General Meeting
Wednesday 17th July 2013 6.00pm at
The Park Office Southwark Park

Agenda

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Notes of General Meeting of 19th June and Matters Arising (attached)**
- 3. Bermondsey Carnival – Feedback from those who attended**
- 4. Old Nursery Master Plan Update – Pat Kingwell**
- 5. Coronation Tree Ceremony Report Back – Gary Magold**
- 6. Park Manager's Report – Andy Chatterton LBS**
- 7. Network Challenge Volunteer Day – Pat Kingwell**
- 8. Bowling Club Update – Ray Buckberry**
- 9. King's Stairs Gardens Issues – Roger Bilder**
- 10. Planning Matters – updates if any**
- 11. Gallery Update – Ron Henocq**
- 12. Any Other Business**
- 13. Dates of Future Meetings**

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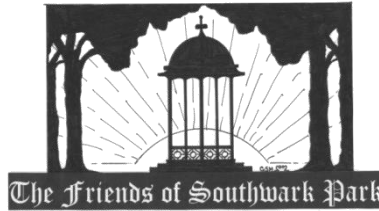
**Notes of Friends of Southwark Park General Meeting
 held on 19th June 2013 at
 The Gallery Southwark Park**

Present:

Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Roger Bilder; Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Alison Clayburn; Jean Cunliffe; Dave Fisher; Gary Glover; Colin Hartridge-Price; Marjorie Hill; Pat Kingwell; Nick Lane; D. Mackinnon; Gary Magold; Andrea Pita (London Borough of Southwark); Josie Moore; Jim Saunders; Tracy Scales; Sue Sexton; Colin Smith; Amanda Squires; Susan Vaughan; George Witsey

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Michael Daniels; Judith Deschamps; Gavin Halil (Fusion)	
2.	Notes of General Meeting of 15th May 2013 The notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising	
2.1.1	Tree Health Survey Volunteering Packs from Open Air Laboratories Project Andrea confirmed the packs had arrived and were in the Parks Office ready for use	
2.1.2.	Cleaner, Greener Safer Applications – Tennis Courts Gary Glover reported that The Friends had been successful in obtaining a grant for new tennis courts (£80-100k) and that Southwark officers are investigating additional monies.	
2.1.3	King's Stairs Gardens - Fit London Legacy Fund Roger reported that the new meadow areas have been planted and the butterfly garden also.	
3.	London Oktoberfest 3-6 October 2013 The meeting overwhelmingly voted against the holding of the event in Southwark Park and it was agreed to inform Southwark Events of our view.	Pat Kingwell
4.	Stalls at Bermondsey Carnival and Rotherhithe Festival Several members volunteered to staff the stalls at both events.	
5.	Park Manager's Report – Andy Chatterton	

	Andy reported on a number of issues:	
5.1	Southwark Park - Dogs – Good Owner Campaign The event was held in Southwark Park on 16 th June but the attendance was quite low due to the inclement weather. Thanks to Dave Fisher for his help. Dog issues will also be discussed in the workshops at the Friends Conference on 29 th June.	
5.2	Southwark Park - Dilston Grove The remedial works to the front and side of the wall have been completed.	
5.3	Southwark Park - Sculpture The refurbishment works to the sculpture have been completed.	
5.4	Southwark Park - Lake Improvements Further dredging was undertaken last week by The Conservation Volunteers, but due to the short notice of their availability we were unable to involve The Friends of Southwark Park.	
5.5	Southwark Park - Children's Playground – Water Feature The kid's water feature was vandalized on the 3 rd June and is currently out of action. We will replace the foot button as soon as we have identified the manufacturer. Laminated signs have been placed at the entrances and close to the feature indicating the above.	
5.6	Southwark Park - Bowling Green Maintenance A new Green Keeper – David Ball - commenced employment with QSL on 10 th June. There are no major maintenance concerns at present. A meeting took place yesterday afternoon with representatives from the Bowls Club and the minutes will be produced and circulated as soon as possible.	
5.7	King's Stairs Gardens - Fit London Legacy Fund The new meadow areas have now been created and the wildflower seeds have started to germinate. Laminated signage will be placed around the chestnut fencing to illustrate how the meadows will look once they become established. The new borders were planted up on 8 th June by Jill Gibbs & David Potter as a volunteer event, with the support of the Southwark Park Head Gardener and Team Leader.	
6.	Any Other Business	
6.1	Commuter Parking Concerns expressed about the problems associated with commuter parking on Carriageway Drive and in Hawkstone car park. Andy said it was now part of his work plan and he would liaise with Nicky Costin and report back.	Andy Chatterton
7.	Dates of Future Meetings Wednesday 17th July - 6.00pm at The Park Office Wednesday 18th September – Annual General Meeting - 6.00pm at The Park Office	



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General Meeting
Wednesday 16th October 2013 6.00pm at
The Park Office

Agenda

1. **Apologies**
2. **Notes of General Meeting of 18th September 2013 and Matters Arising (attachment 1)**
3. **Old Nursery Master Plan Update - Max Nakrani)**
4. **Cleaner, Greener Safer Programme 2014 (attachment 2)**
5. **Challenge Network Day Report Back – Gary Magold/Pat Kingwell**
6. **Park Manager's Report – Andy Chatterton**
7. **Southwark Park 5-a-side Football Tournament – Mick Hannon**
8. **King's Stairs Gardens Issues – Roger Bilder**
9. **Bowling Club Update – Ray Buckberry**
10. **'Southwark Park 150' HLF Application Update (attachment 3)**
11. **Lottery Gallery Update – Ron Henocq**
12. **Planning Matters Update**
13. **Any Other Business**
14. **Dates of Future Meetings**

Attachment 1

Notes of General Meeting of 18th September 2013

Present: Sharon Bassey; Roger Bilder; Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Alison Clayburn; Jean Cunliffe; Judith Deschamps; Ivy Douglas; Dave Fisher; Paul Harrison (Harrison Design-Development); Mick Hannon; Marjorie Hill; Andrew Keckwick; Pat Kingwell; Nick Lane; Cllr. Richard Livingstone; D. Mackinnon (Quadron); Gary Magold; Jean Mulholland; Max Nakrani (London Borough of Southwark) Cllr. Wilma Nelson; Lynne Olding (Quadron); Adrian Pearson (Lloyd Evans Pritchard Architects); Andrea Pita (London Borough of Southwark); Tracy Scales; Gerard Purcell; Jim Saunders; Sue Sexton; Colin Smith; Amanda Squires; P. Toal (Quadron); Susan Vaughan; George Witsey

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; William Cameron; Gary Glover; Simon Hughes, M.P.; Stephanie Lodge; Cllr. Eliza Mann; Josie Moore; Louise Sheridan	
2.	Notes of General Meeting of 17th July 2013 The notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising None	
3.	<p>Old Nursery Master Plan Update Harrison Design and Development, the consultants commissioned to carry out the Plan, gave a presentation. They offered a number of sketch options for the site but stressed that their thinking was at an early stage and that this was an initial consultation. Further detailed consultation would take place before the Plan is finalised.</p> <p>From the discussion it was agreed that as far as the Old Nursery site is concerned:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • new buildings and car parking should not be located there • Storage facilities should be sensitively designed and located • Local primary schools use should be considered – gardening plots etc • access should be controlled in the same way as the wildlife area • the site should as far as possible retain its ‘green’ values • the boundaries with the Gomm Road and Ann Moss Way residences should be well-screened and secure, where possible using planting and additional fencing if necessary <p>As far as the cafe, toilets, office and education facilities are concerned they should be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • large enough for their purpose without dominating the neighbouring residences • located to benefit the public and also to allow better management sightlines • of a more traditional rather than modernistic design • made of robust but attractive materials – London brick was mentioned <p>Whether the existing cafe building should remain or be incorporated into any new design remained open to question</p> <p>It was agreed that further consultation should take place, including on a Saturday when the residents of Gomm Road and Ann Moss Way could attend and at a future Community Council meeting. It was also agreed to set up a sub-group of FOSP to progress the project.</p>	<p>Max Nakrani</p> <p>FOSP</p>
4.	Park Manager’s Report Andy Chatterton reported:	
4.1	Southwark Park - Children’s Playground – Water Feature We have made numerous attempts throughout the summer months to get a contractor to replace the foot button but without success. However we met a representative from Ustigate Water Display Specialists on 13 th September, who believes it can be adapted fairly easily to make it DDA compliant. Ustigate currently maintain the feature at Burgess Park.	
4.2	Southwark Park - Car Parking Review Tim Walker has advised that Public Realm Projects do not have any resources at present for a new project in Southwark Park. They are project based and their programme is agreed on an annual basis by the Cabinet Member. Tim has advised Rebecca Towers that he would be happy to consider adding this project to their programme for the next financial year (14/15).	
4.3	Southwark Park - Bowling Green Maintenance/Portable Building A meeting took place earlier on today with representatives from the Bowls Club and Stella Rixon from Sports Turf Research Institute to assess the current condition of the green and to	

	agree the end of season maintenance specification. The work is due to be undertaken in the week commencing 30 th September. We have yet to purchase a portable shed from Biohort and we originally held back on this until we had visited the groundsman trade show at Windsor in case we found a more suitable product. We will now progress with the order.	
4.4	Southwark Park – Athletics Track A meeting took place yesterday with Tim Clee to discuss the long term vision of the track and buildings. Tim confirmed there will be two separate projects. It is anticipated that work will commence on the development of the track in April 2014. Options are being considered to use part of the refurbished building for changing rooms and toilets, for general park use.	
4.5	Southwark Park - Former Social Club 386 Southwark Park Road The Contract Manager of HG Construction confirmed that no trees are due to be removed and that prospective clients are fully aware of this. The railings are being erected around the entire area and there will be no access into the park from any part of them.	
4.6	Southwark Park - The Lodge Southwark Park Road Application Number 13/AP/1616 states the following: - Proposal – Non material amendment to planning application 12-ap-3084, allowed on appeal 2-4-13, for: Single storey side extension with terrace above and two storey rear extension to dwelling house, providing additional residential accommodation including a garage on the ground floor. Amendments: Proposed new windows within the side elevations of the extensions to be upvc white colour, the new windows will have inbuilt Georgian bars to match the appearance of the existing timber white painted windows.	
4.7	Kings Stairs Gardens - Cleaner Greener Safer Project – Fulford Street The work to repair to the wooden retaining wall in Fulford Street has been completed.	
4.8	Kings Stairs Gardens - Fit London Legacy Fund The wildflower meadow areas have been fairly successful although the larger area at the back of Fulford Street will need further development. A meeting took place with Jill Gibbs, David Potter, Lynne Olding and Park Staff on 24 th July and the 2 nd phase of work is due to commence within next few weeks. It will consist of bulb planting in the grass areas either side of Cottle Way, reducing the height and removing mature laurels by the river, planting shrubs by the river and behind the church hall in three separate areas, installing bat boxes and creating a stag beetle loggery.	
4.9	Kings Stairs Gardens - Dual Purpose Bins The majority of new bins have been installed where the old bins were previously located, following a recommendation from the Quadron operatives who empty the bins and remove the dog faeces throughout the site. Some concern has been expressed that there was no consultation beforehand, although it was brought to the attention of the FoSP at a previous meeting. We are happy to review and arrange for additional bins to be installed.	
4.10	Dogs in Parks survey Now that the closing date has passed, the next steps are to analyse the data and produce a report. Those on the mailing list will be informed when the report is ready.	
4.11	Quadron Services Limited Updates Quadron have recently announced that they have received National Awards in three categories at this year's prestigious BALI Awards including Burgess Park. Jake Cater-Bassett Southwark Park apprentice, who commenced employment with Quadron in September 2012, has been nominated for the apprentice of the year award.	
5.	Any Other Business	
5.1	Bandstand Hanging Baskets Marjorie Hill asked for the dead plants to be removed. Andy to take up with CJS Plants.	Andy Chatterton
5..2	Gomm Road Repairs Gerard Purcell asked if repairs to the road between house numbers 20-46 could be carried out as he understood it to fall within parks remit. Andy to check.	Andy Chatterton
6.	Dates of Future Meetings - All 6.00pm at The Park Office Wednesday 16 th October 2013 Wednesday 20 th November 2013 Wednesday 15 th January 2014 Wednesday 19 th February 2014 Wednesday 19 th March 2014	

Purpose

FOSP to discuss and agree which projects we wish to put forward for CGS funding.

Background

Southwark Council is inviting applications for the 2014/15 CGS programme. The closing date for applications for this year's programme is Friday 8 November 2013.

In the past CGS has funded only capital projects such as creating new and refurbishing existing ball courts, installing new railings and fencing, and improving lighting. Now, with the addition of the CGS Revenue fund, projects such as extra street cleaning, gardening courses for residents and other maintenance type projects, will also be considered for funding.

Groups that can deliver a project themselves can be considered for a grant.

Decisions on the applications will be announced at community council meetings in January and February 2014.

Examples of Possible projects

Capital

- Southwark Park – children's playground water feature
- Southwark Park – demonstration beehive
- King George Field – heritage information boards x 2

Revenue

- Southwark Park - The Trees, Plants and Animals of Southwark Park leaflet for children

Capital/Revenue

- West Lane War Memorial – planting and heritage information boards

Attachment 3

‘Southwark Park 150’ HLF Application

1. An application has been submitted to the Heritage Lottery Fund for ‘Southwark Park 150’. It is a local heritage project which aims to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Southwark Park Act 1864.

The Project

2. If successful with the bid during 2014 a number of activities will be carried out as follows:

New Heritage Information Boards

- Provide 8 new heritage interpretation boards to areas of the park with a current deficiency i.e. Bandstand; Jabez West Memorial Fountain; The Oval; The Old Nursery; The Bowling Green; The Former Lido; The Former Children’s Playground; and Southwark Park in Wartime.

School Projects

- Cavendish School - Textural Painting
- Rotherhithe Primary School - The Trees, Plants and Animals of Southwark Park leaflet

‘Southwark Park 150’ Commemorative DVD x 1000 copies to be given free to public

Publication - The Southwark Park Act booklet x 1000 copies to be given free to public

‘Southwark Park 150’ Exhibition in the Gallery in the Park, including historic photographs from various archives and collections; memorabilia and ephemera; works by local artists and photographs and work generated by school projects. Admission free to public

Free Public Talks

- Bobby Abel Surrey and England cricketer – David Kynaston
- The Southwark Park Act 1864 – Patrick Kingwell
- Current Issues in Urban Parks – Professor Ken Worpole
- Southwark Park Bandstands and Popular Music – Gary Magold
- Jabez West and the Temperance Movement – John D. Beasley

Free Guided Tours

- The Art Galleries of Southwark Park - Ron Henocq and Bridget Virden
- The Ada Salter Garden – Lynne Olding (to be confirmed)
- Southwark Park and the World Wars – Gary Magold and Patrick Kingwell
- Bat Walk – Jon Best
- The Trees of Southwark Park – Nick Lane (to be confirmed)

Bermondsey Carnival 2014 – ‘Southwark Park 150 Activities’ including

- ‘Bring Your Southwark Park Photos and Memorabilia’ marquee
- Band concert - ‘Music from 150 Years’
- Traditional children’s games
- Traditional and modern children’s singing games
- Bobby Abel Cup cricket match for children
- 5-a-side football tournament for children

- Some Lost Games of Southwark Park – e.g. putting; traditional roller skating etc.
- Commemorative bowling match
- Bee Demonstration

Free Bandstand Concert to Commemorate the Centenary of the First World War

Horticultural Improvements

- Commemorative bedding and tree planting
- Improvements to the south-western boundary of Southwark Park
- Bulb Planting

Photographing the Friends of Southwark Park's Archive

Beneficiaries

3. It is estimated that 'Southwark Park 150' will involve 130 volunteers in various ways and overall will reach thousands within the community.

Costs

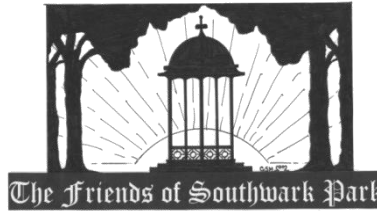
4. The estimated cost of the project is £32,700 to be made up as follows:

HLF	24,000
LBS	8,500 (contribution towards heritage information boards and horticulture)
FOSP	200

Approval

5. We should have a decision from HLF by early 2015.

Pat Kingwell
6th October 2013



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General Meeting
Wednesday 20th November 2013 6.00pm at
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Agenda

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Notes of General Meeting of 16th October 2013 and Matters Arising (attached)**
- 3. Southwark Park 5-a-side Football Tournament – Mick Hannon**
- 4. Firework Display – Feedback**
- 5. Old Nursery Master Plan Update**
- 6. Park Manager's Report – Andy Chatterton**
- 7. King's Stairs Gardens Issues – Roger Bilder**
- 8. Bowling Club Update – Ray Buckberry**
- 9. Planning Matters Update**
- 10. Any Other Business**
- 11. Dates of Future Meetings**

Notes of General Meeting of 16th October 2013

Present: D. Ball; K. Ball; Sharon Bassey; Roger Bilder; Alison Clayburn; Jean Cunliffe; L. Dawes; Judith Deschamps; Ivy Douglas; Dave Fisher; Mick Hannon; Marjorie Hill; Pat Kingwell; Gary Magold; Jean Mulholland; Max Nakrani (London Borough of Southwark); Andrea Pita (London Borough of Southwark); Gerard Purcell; Jim Saunders; Tracy Scales; Jenny Slaney; Roger Slaney; Brian Statham; Dave Walker; George Witsey

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Denise Capstick; Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Neil Coyle; Simon Hughes, M.P.; Stephanie Lodge; Josie Moore; Dominique Phillips; Sue Sexton; Colin Smith; Sheila Taylor; Susan Vaughan	
2.	Notes of General Meeting of 19th September 2013 The notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising None	
3.	Old Nursery Master Plan Update Max Nakrani updated on progress and presented a paper on Harrison Design's five sketch options for the site. It was agreed that in line with the previous indications at our last meeting that options 1 and 2 be ruled out and that further detailed consultation should take place on other options.	Max Nakrani
4.	Cleaner, Greener, Safer Programme 2014/15 Following discussion of a range of proposals from members it was agreed to submit a bid to improve Southwark Park Playground by repairing the water feature; bee demonstration hive; outdoor table tennis tables and a fenced off dog-free area. It was also agreed to assist Canada Water TRA in a bid for information boards in King George's Field and the British Legion for West Lane War Memorial. The issue of King's Stairs Lighting was discussed, the main problem being the high cost for a CGS bid. It was agreed the matter be raised again with Gerry O'Sullivan of Southwark Council Housing. See also 6.6 below.	Pat Kingwell
5.	Challenge Network Day Report Back The successful day of volunteer action was reported back – over 60 young people helped clean the ponds in the wildlife area; worked on the carriageway drive beds; and carried out a park user survey. Thanks to all members who helped on the day and to Parks and Quadron staff.	
6.	Park Manager's Report Andrea Pita reported:	
6.1	Southwark Park - Children's Playground – Water Feature A quotation from Ustigate Water Display Specialists to restore the water feature and to make it DDA compliant, has been received but the cost to do so is quite high, so an application to CGS is recommended. See 4 above.	
6.2	Southwark Park – Bandstand Hanging Baskets CJS Plants have apologised for the lack of maintenance to the baskets. All were replaced on 23 rd September, including those along the main carriageway.	
6.3	Southwark Park - Bowling Green Maintenance A condition report has been provided by Sports Turf Research Institute and the end of season maintenance work has now been completed.	

6.4	<p>Southwark Park - Former Social Club 386 Southwark Park Road</p> <p>The perimeter railings have been erected and some minor landscaping works are currently being undertaken to fill the gaps below them. Marjorie Hill drew attention to the potential problem of the proximity of tree branches to the properties. It was agreed to ask the Tree Officer to investigate.</p> <p>On the matter of land encroachment it was agreed the Planning Enforcement Officer should be informed and asked to take the appropriate action.</p>	Andy Chatterton
6.5	<p>Southwark Park - Gomm Road Repairs</p> <p>The repairs to the road between house numbers 20-46 do not fall within the parks remit. It is understood that Gerard Purcell spoke to one of the Councillors present at the previous meeting who agreed to take this forward.</p>	
6.6	<p>Kings Stairs Gardens - Lighting</p> <p>Daniel Robinson – Senior Lighting Engineer, has reiterated the problem with the lighting is that it is well past its design life and needs replacing, this means that components within the lanterns are failing, the columns are structurally dilapidated and the underground cable is such a poor condition that after a few days of it raining it will blow the fuses due to water ingress.</p> <p>There is no single item that could be address to make the lighting any better or more reliable, it is the complete replacement that is required.</p> <p>We have identified this as extremely urgent in the Parks Improvement Strategy, as it needs to be addressed as soon as funds become available.</p>	
6.7	<p>Kings Stairs Gardens - Fit London Legacy Fund</p> <p>A meeting was due to take place yesterday to review the condition of the wildflower meadow areas but unfortunately it will have to be rescheduled, in order to ensure all parties can attend.</p> <p>Additional work to prepare the shrub borders for replanting will be undertaken over the next two weekends and the shrubs will then be planted utilising the support of the Community Payback Team.</p> <p>A meeting has taken place with Ben Dewhurst from The Conservation Volunteers to discuss the provision of bat boxes and creating a stag beetle loggery and it is hoped the work will be undertaken within the next few weeks.</p> <p>Bulb planting is due to take place on 23rd October at the areas previously identified and we are hoping to engage a class from Rotherhithe Primary School.</p>	
6.8	<p>Kings Stairs Gardens - Young Staked Trees</p> <p>The Tree Officer has assessed the condition of the trees and believes they are still showing signs of life and he would like to see how they fare next year. There is a reluctance to relocate the tree in the area where children play informal football, both in terms of future tree health and financial cost.</p>	
6.9	<p>Dangerous Cycling</p> <p>Attention was drawn to an incident in which a blind man was knocked over in Southwark Park by a cyclist. It was agreed to ask John Reid to undertake another reminder session for cyclists about the potential for danger.</p>	Andy Chatterton John Reid
7.	<p>Southwark Park 5-a-side Football Tournament</p> <p>Mick Hannon and Dave Walker spoke about a proposal for a tournament in June/July 2014. The meeting supported the idea and asked for the matter to be discussed again at next meeting.</p>	Mick Hannon Dave Walker
8.	<p>King's Stairs Gardens Issues</p> <p>None other than raised elsewhere on agenda</p>	

9.	Bowling Club Update Brian and Jim reported a successful season and that membership stands at 43.	
10.	‘Southwark Park 150’ HLF Application Pat reported that an application to the HLF has been submitted and a decision should be known in December.	
11.	Gallery Update None given	
12.	Planning Matters Update None given	
13.	Any Other Business	
13.1	Southwark Park Tennis Courts Max Nakrani confirmed that the CGS budget for the courts was £80k and that an additional £20k has been sought from the London Marathon. A decision should be known in December and works completed by summer 2014.	
13.2	57 Gomm Road Overhanging Trees A resident requested that this be investigated.	Andy Chatterton
13.3	Funding for Southwark Park and KSG Andrea reported that monies had been gained for paving to the Ada Salter Garden; repairs to the cricket strip; and gym equipment. Congratulations!	
13.4	Woodland Trust Free Trees We can apply for free trees and it was agreed to seek Ian Williams, Tree Officer’s advice before doing so.	Pat Kingwell
13.5	Athletics Track Jean Mulholland asked what is happening with the site. It was agreed to set up a meeting with Peter John, the Leader of the Council.	Gary Glover
13.6	Cygnets It is believed two have been lost, most probably to foxes.	
13.7	Len Hatch It was with great sadness that the death of Len was announced. Len was a well-known local figure and lover of Southwark Park. His funeral was due to take place on 1st November. The meeting expressed condolences for Len’s family and friends.	
6.	Dates of Future Meetings - All 6.00pm at The Park Office Wednesday 20 th November 2013 Wednesday 15 th January 2014 Wednesday 19 th February 2014 Wednesday 19 th March 2014	



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Pat Kingwell
Secretary
23 December 2013

Notes of General Meeting of 20th November 2013

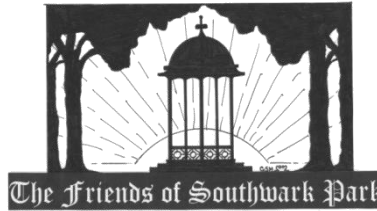
Present: Sharon Bassey; Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Jean Cunliffe; Judith Deschamps; Dave Fisher; Colin Hartridge-Price; Marjorie Hill; Pat Kingwell; Gary Magold; Andrea Pita (London Borough of Southwark); John Reid (London Borough of Southwark); Rachael Roe (London Borough of Southwark); Jim Saunders; Tracy Scales; Sue Sexton; Colin Smith; Roger Slaney; Peter Sparkes; Amanda Squires; Susan Vaughan; George Witsey

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Roger Bilder; Ivy Douglas; Mick Hannon; Stephanie Lodge; Josie Moore and Jean Mulholland	
2.	Notes of General Meeting of 16th October 2013 The notes were agreed as a true record, save the omission of apologies from Amanda Squires	
2.1	Matters Arising	
2.1.1	King's Stairs Lighting Although identified this as extremely urgent in the Parks Improvement Strategy, the meeting agreed that discussions should be had with the relevant Housing officers. Gary Glover agreed to provide Andy with the best contact.	Andy Chatterton Gary Glover
2.1.2	Southwark Park – Former Social Club 386 Southwark Park Road On the issue of encroachment on park land Andy was still to advise the Planning Enforcement Officer. It was agreed Marjorie would show Andy the problem area.	Andy Chatterton Marjorie Hill
2.1.3	Southwark Park – 57 Gomm Road Overhanging Trees Andrea reported she had investigated and there are no overhanging trees. She had met with the resident concerned.	
2.1.4	Southwark Park – Woodland Trust Free Trees Pat reported he had sought the advice of Ian Williams, Tree Officer, and had submitted a bid to the Trust for trees and shrubs for the western boundary of Southwark Park. Outcome should be known by January 2014.	
2.1.5	Southwark Park – Sports Centre Gary Glover reported he had organised a meeting with Peter John, Leader of the Council, for Monday 25 th November at Tooley Street.	
2.1.6	Cleaner, Greener, Safer Programme 2014/15 Pat reported that a bid for £38,000 had been submitted to improve Southwark Park Playground by repairing the water feature; providing a bee demonstration hive; two outdoor table tennis tables and a fenced off dog-free area. Amanda reported that she was about to submit a bid to cover the £11,000 shortfall on the Fulford/Cathay Street scheme originally approved in 2009 for £30,000.	
3.	Relocation of 'Family of Dolphins' sculpture Rachael Roe from Southwark Council's Arts team spoke about the relocation of David Backhouse's sculpture as part of the Council's consultation process. The work had been commissioned by Tesco for their store in Surrey Quays Shopping Centre, but the owners decided to remove the sculpture and have gifted it to Southwark Council. Southwark Park lake has been suggested as one of several possible locations. Rachael explained that the feasibility of locations will be assessed and that the target date for installation on chosen site is February 2014. After discussing such issues as budget, security, mechanical services, maintenance and planning, it was agreed that we support the relocation of the sculpture into the park and will formally respond to Rachael.	Pat Kingwell
4.	Dangerous Cycling John Reid, Parks Liaison Officer, explained the powers he has to address dangerous cycling in the parks and gave an account of his recent actions in talking to cyclists and the issuing of fixed penalty notices where necessary. He has noticed a growth in cycling in the parks, possibly due to Olympic impact. On the specific incident raised at our last meeting John said he would be talking to the person in question soon.	John Reid

	On the issue of cycling near The Angel pub John confirmed he had recently been on site to observe things. He recommended that Highways look into it. In the discussion it was suggested that as the site in question does not fall within KSG or the Parks remit then concerns should be directed to local Cllrs.	
5.	Southwark Park 5-a-side Football Tournament 2014 Andy said the games could be accommodated on the Abbeyfield boundary. Pat said Millwall FC are interested and he had passed contact on to Mick Hannon.	
6.	Fireworks Display The feedback on the event was largely positive and it was noted that compared to last year good improvements had been made regarding access and lighting. Attention was drawn to some areas that need looking at, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensuring the music is played for less time • People depositing cans etc. in the gardens/areas of Gomm Road residents • Ensuring that people without bags are not caught up in bag-check queues • The payment of a bond by the fairground operator to cover reinstatement costs • The use of tracking to help avoid damage to grassed areas 	Pat Kingwell
7.	Old Nursery Master Plan Update Pat reported that following the decision of last meeting Max Nakrani has revised the Harrison Design's sketch options for the site, reducing from five to three. Once the papers have been cleared with Cllr. Hargrove and Parks senior management they will be distributed for consultation, in particular to residents of Ann Moss Way and Gomm Road.	Max Nakrani
8.	Park Manager's Report Andy reported:	
8.1	Southwark Park – Storm Damage The Tree Officer confirms the remaining clearance work is scheduled in for next week.	Ian Williams
8.2	Southwark Park – Fireworks Display Some initial work has been carried out and the main reinstatement work will be undertaken within the next couple of weeks, weather conditions permitting. There was minimum damage caused to the football pitches in comparison with last year. A recommendation will be put forward at the debrief meeting to include a reinstatement bond for future displays.	
8.3	Southwark Park - Children's Playground – Gates Following a recommendation at the previous meeting, we have arranged for the gates to be adapted for self-closing. Some additional works will be carried out to one of the double gates opposite the park café, in order to accommodate this.	
8.4	Southwark Park – Former Social Club and Trees The Tree Officer will assess the condition of the trees during the next visit to Southwark Park and feedback will be provided accordingly.	Ian Williams
8.5	Kings Stairs Gardens - Fit London Legacy Fund All of the shrubs have now been planted. Bat boxes and a stag beetle loggery will be created as soon as possible, in order to complete the project.	
8.6	Kings Stairs Gardens - Motorbikes The Parks Liaison Officer has asked the Wardens and Intelligence Manager for further information & clarification on the use of motorbikes and he has found some extracts on the internet regarding common land & footways but parks appear to be down to local councils. It appears that there is no bye law for riding or driving in parks & the PLO does not have a police power to stop a motor vehicle. The PLO has advised calling the Police on 101 who have the powers to deal with motor vehicles riding off road. The law that covers bikes is Sec38, Road Traffic Act 1998 which covers common land but it is uncertain whether the police can enforce this in parks. Riding motor vehicles on common land or wasteland is almost always illegal but we are not sure if this includes parks. Internet information Can I use motorbikes on the pavement or footpath? Again, the simple answer is no. Only vehicles that meet the required standards and are registered with the DVLA can be used on roads, pavements and car parks. As well as being	

	<p>registered, they must be taxed and insured. Also an MOT will be required for vehicles over three years old. There is no exemption for vehicles designed for off road use and young people are also not exempt. This is all covered in the Road traffic act 1988.</p> <p>Harassment, Alarm and Distress: Section 59 of the Police Reform Act 2002, makes it an offence for a motor vehicle to be used on a road or public place in a manner which causes harassment, alarm or distress. This includes the noise which is caused by off road machines that are fitted with exhaust systems that do not conform to road standards. A noisy exhaust is a common factor for complaint.</p> <p>Those people who ride horses or walk on common land can also be distressed or alarmed by the presence of a loud machine in a usually quiet setting. In such cases the police have the power to warn the user of the bike to remove it and if it persists have the machine seized and destroyed.</p> <p>A site meeting took place recently with the Repairs & Maintenance Manager to consider ways of restricting motorbike access and he will be meeting a representative from the In-House Metalwork Team later this week to discuss some options to restrict access. Signs have been placed at both ends of Cottle Way to prohibit them. In addition, the Small Works Team will be renewing the wooden knee rail and installing an additional paving slab in front of the traffic barrier within the next 7 days, as part of the on-going improvements to the site.</p>	
9.	<p>King's Stairs Gardens Issues Roger Bilder provided the following note:</p> <p>SaveKSG has submitted a representation to the Planning Inspectorate, which is currently reviewing Thames Water's plans, re-stating that any proposed tunnelling at KSG would be unacceptable.</p> <p>Roger and Rob attended a meeting of the Inspectorate last week about Chambers Wharf, and it was clear that the Save Your Riverside campaign and Southwark Council both now accept that Chambers Wharf will be the site of a main tunnel shaft in Southwark, which means that the threat to KSG is thankfully very much reduced.</p> <p>But the effects of the proposed works at Chambers Wharf will still have a massive effect on our borough. Obviously so in the immediate neighbourhood, but noise, air pollution and so on will affect a much wider area, and a huge platform known as a cofferdam will extend almost half-way across the river.</p> <p>Although Thames Water plan to use river barges a lot, the works will still involve a very great number of lorry movements in small residential streets and in front of local schools; and these lorries will be turning into the already crowded Jamaica Road and causing a lot more traffic congestion up to the Roundabout and into Lower Road.</p> <p>SYR and the Council are now lobbying hard for Thames Water to reverse the proposed direction of the main tunnel works, so that they dig from Abbey Mills (their own site in Stratford) towards Chambers Wharf rather than the other way round.</p> <p>This would at least reduce the impact of the works, to a shorter timescale (maybe 4 and a half years instead of 7), much less spoil and slurry needing to be handled and removed in our borough, a lot less lorry traffic and a much smaller cofferdam extending into the river.</p> <p>Roger would therefore like to ask FoSP to support SYR and Southwark Council in this proposal. FoSP's support for the SaveKSG campaign has been very highly valued and further support for the proposal to reverse the tunnel direction would greatly benefit our borough.</p>	
9.	<p>Bowling Club Update Nothing specific to report, but Colin thanked all for Len Hatch condolences.</p>	
10.	<p>Planning Matters Update</p>	

	None given	
11.	Any Other Business	
11.1	Shad Thames Rugby Union Football Club Peter Sparkes informed us that the club plays regularly in Southwark Park on Sundays, using the grassed area north of the bandstand. The club is growing and has recently joined a league. They are supportive of the refurbishment of the sports centre and would like to use it in future. Also happy to take part in the Southwark 150 celebrations next year. In the meantime requested that the leaves be cleared from the area they use.	
11.2	Community Council Fund Pat reported that 2014 fund is open for bids up to £1000 and the closing date is 13 th December. It was agreed to apply for monies to support the Southwark Park 150 activities.	Pat Kingwell
11.3	'Southwark Park 150' Pat reported that United St. Saviour's Charity has awarded a grant of £1,000 for traditional children's games at the Bermondsey Carnival in 2014. It was agreed we approach Rotherhithe Consolidated Charities for a grant.	Pat Kingwell
11.4	Bede House The Choir of Clare College Cambridge are giving a free Advent service at St. Mary's Church, Rotherhithe on 18 December at 7.30pm.	
11.5	Rotherhithe Map 5th ed. Amanda circulated copies.	
11.6	Scandinavian Fair Albion Street 22-24 November Amanda circulated flyers.	
11.7	FOSP Annual Report Pat circulated printed copies – thanks to Debra Gosling for design work	
11.8	Scadbury Park Sun Dial Amanda suggested something similar might be considered for Southwark Park. To provide Andy with details.	Amanda Squires
11.9	Albin Event 4 December Gary Glover said that there would be some fireworks at this annual event.	
11.10	West Lane War Memorial Gary Magold reported on a recent site meeting and thanked Andy and Lynne Olding for their help and advice.	
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Pat Kingwell
Secretary
8th February 2014

Notes of General Meeting of 15th January 2014

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1.	Apologies Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Sharon Bassey; Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Jean Cunliffe; Marjorie Hill; Stephanie Lodge; Josie Moore; Sue Sexton; Louise Sheridan and Amanda Squires.	
2.	Notes of General Meeting of 20th November 2013 The notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising	
2.1.1	Southwark Park – Former Social Club 386 Southwark Park Road On the issue of encroachment on park land Andrea reported a site visit had taken place and it was concluded there was no infringement by the developers.	
3.	<p>Southwark Park Sports Centre Update Gary Glover reported on the meeting with Peter John, Leader of the Council, on Monday 25th November, which was positive. Since that meeting the Council had allocated £1.7m towards the scheme. It was agreed we invite Tim Clee to a future meeting to provide more detail and that we also confirm FOSP wishes to be represented on the project team that implements the scheme. It was also agreed to ask for more consultation over the idea of bringing the land on Hawkstone Road boundary back into the body of the park.</p> <p>N.B. Due to prior commitments Tim is unable to attend our February meeting but has provided this update via email:</p> <p>‘Phase 1 (Athletics Facilities) - all funding is secured (London Marathon, Mayor of London, Sport England, s106. Southwark Olympic Legacy) and we are currently at pre-planning stage. Subject to feedback from planning we anticipate submitting a planning application in mid Feb. If timescales work out we will start the work early summer 2014 with a completion date of Spring 2015. The works include reinstating the athletics track, and turning the astropitch into a grass pitch to enable us to deliver a full programme of athletics track and field activities.</p> <p>Phase 2 (Building refurbishment) - we are waiting for official confirmation of funding from the councils internal capital pot, although there has been an announcement by politicians that funding will be made available. But we won’t know exactly until February. If all goes well this phase of the project should be delivered at roughly the same time as Phase 1. The building refurbishment should include changing provision for the parks pitches, and also toilets that can be used by park users, and well as facilities that will support the development of athletics. This will be subject to final designs which will be progressed as soon as we have confirmation of the funding.’</p>	Pat Kingwell
4.	<p>Old Nursery Master Plan Update Max Nakrani reported that following previous consultation the Harrison Design’s sketch options for the site have been reduced from five to three as FOSP had requested. In addition Parks senior management have called for other options to be considered, including a potential formal garden on the old nursery land; a Canada Water Green Link with a new entrance to the park from Lower Road; and a</p>	

	<p>relocation of the café and offices to the Art Gallery building with a new Gallery on the present office/café site.</p> <p>There was a full discussion and many points raised. In summary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concerns about the delay and lack of clarity over the Master Plan consultation – the final report was originally due in December 2013 • Surprise and concern that the gallery/café and office ‘swap’ has been introduced at such a late stage without any notice of such a major change in the Master Plan brief with FOSP • Concerns that the straightforward priorities of a better café, offices and sympathetic public use of the old nursery land could be delayed or even lost in the unnecessary complications of gallery and Green Link options • Questions about the financial and service implications of the Gallery ‘swap’ – who will pay for a new gallery and will the café have to close while it is being built? • The historic Carriageway Drive view must be protected • Feeling that the project is being ‘kicked into the long grass’ due to forthcoming Council elections <p>It was agreed to write to Cllr. Hargrove about our concerns.</p>	Pat Kingwell
5.	<p>‘Southwark Park 150’</p> <p>Pat reported that the Heritage Lottery Fund had declined to award a grant for the 150th activities. However, it is still possible to do something and he circulated a draft Programme of Events which, subject to various grant applications, will be finalised by April.</p> <p>On Neil Coyle’s suggestion it was agreed to approach North Southwark Environment Trust and Bee Urban for funding.</p>	Pat Kingwell
6.	<p>Cleaner, Greener Safer Programme Update</p> <p>Pat reported that a bid for £38,000 had been submitted to improve Southwark Park Playground by repairing the water feature; providing a bee demonstration hive; two outdoor table tennis tables and a fenced off dog-free area, and Amanda had previously reported she was submitting a bid to cover the £11,000 shortfall on the Fulford/Cathay Street scheme originally approved in 2009 for £30,000. Awaiting decision from Community Council on 29th January.</p>	
7.	<p>Park Manager’s Report</p> <p>Andrea reported:</p>	
7.1	<p>Southwark Park – Dangerous Cycling</p> <p>John Reid has been unable to contact the person injured by a cyclist. However he has advised that a number of park users have commented on the continued improvement of cyclist’s behaviour.</p>	
7.2	<p>Southwark Park – Storm Damage</p> <p>All of the clearance work has been completed.</p>	
7.3	<p>Southwark Park – Former Social Club and Trees</p> <p>The Tree Officer has yet to assess the condition of the trees but will do so during the next visit and feedback will be provided accordingly.</p>	Andy Chatterton Ian Williams
7.4	<p>Southwark Park – Bulbs for London</p> <p>QSL have planted all the bulbs in various sites within the Operational Area and photographs will be taken at each site, as and when they come in to flower. West Lane War Memorial was excluded on this occasion, as we need to establish in the spring what has already been planted and what would be suitable for planting next autumn.</p>	

7.5	King's Stairs Gardens -Lighting Councillor Barrie Hargrove has been advised that King's Stairs Lighting is now top of the list of lighting in parks in need of investment. One of the bids being put forward for the next capital refresh is a parks infrastructure and investment bid for a substantial figure over 10 years. If it is successful then this bid will fund the work needed at King's Stairs Gardens.	
7.6	King's Stairs Gardens - Dual Purpose Bins Three additional bins will be installed by the end of next week, following recent confirmation of where they need to be located.	
7.7	King's Stairs Gardens - St Peter's & The Guardian Angel Church The boundary fence will be repaired as soon as an acceptable quotation has been received.	
8.	Canada Water Area Action Plan Consultation The Canada Water Area Action Plan is being revised and a note from Tim Cutts, Team Leader Planning Policy Team, indicated that the deadline for comments is 5pm 25 February 2014. More details www.southwark.gov.uk/canadawateraap	
9.	Bowling Club Update Jim reported that the monthly meeting with Parks is due to resume in February.	
10.	West Lane War Memorial Gary Magold reported that a site meeting was held at the end of November and Lynne Olding was to be involved in the future planting plans.	
11.	King's Stairs Garden Issues It was reported £25,000 had been obtained from SITA for play equipment. Roger reminded all of King's Stairs Action Group AGM on 16 th January	
12.	Planning Matters Update None given	
13.	Any Other Business	
13.1	Marjorie Hill It was reported that Margie had been unwell and hospitalised. It was agreed to send a card.	Pat Kingwell
13.2	Boer War Memorial Gary Magold reminded all that a rededication service will be held in St. James Church on 16 th February at 10.30am.	
13.3	New Leaf Volunteers Neil Coyle reported that New Leaf, a Southwark-based charity, offers education, training and employment to young people by creating educational gardens. Volunteers are needed. See http://new-leaf.org.uk/	
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May Days & Wash Days

The Spirit Of Bermondsey

A color photograph of a woman with dark hair, smiling, sitting in a large, dark, round tub. She is wearing a light-colored, patterned top and a dark skirt. She is surrounded by lush greenery and flowering plants, including pink and red blossoms. In the background, there is a stone wall and a wooden structure. The overall scene is outdoors and appears to be a garden or a courtyard.

Debra Gosling

May Days & Wash Days

The Spirit of Bermondsey

What's it all about then? Well...

Unseen Abbey, Hidden River. Maypoles round and round.
Tyrannical Vicar chop him down! Eccentric Judge hang him up!
Landed gentry doff your cap, forgotten Bermondsey boys (and girls).
Georgian Spa, Boxes of Hats, Yards of Ale, Ginger Beer hissss...pop!
Tan pits and pitfalls, Royal Needles, Comedians and Custard, Where's the Finger? Jelly on a plate.

Sparkling Spires & Golden Dragons. Echoes in the Arches, Glittering Jewel in the Thames,
Rattling Railway Tracks.
Man turned to Stone, Patriotic Hurrahs! Lilliputian Library, Poetry in the Tanneries, What's that Smell? Bourbons today. A Factory of Ideas.

Toff's ties, In the Trenches, Such a Loss, Exotic Insects, busy Lizzies. Salmon tins, Hearthstones & Mansion Polish, Cherryade & Washing Powder, sleek and wavy Hair, just Ordinary Lives.

Any Old Iron, Any Old Lumberrr! Grazed knees, Sequins & Greasepaint, Put that Light Out!
Tea & Biscuits, Tea & Sympathy, Bread & Jam. Vinegar on your chips, A little bit of Cucumber!

Very Pretty Garden, Chalk on the Pavement, Catch the Alleygobs!
On a Beanfeast, Sunday Best Behaviour, Knees up Mother Brown, 'Kiss me Quick'. Cheers!

Enemy Gunners Ack! Ack! Ack!
Home Front Rockets Boom! Boom!
Lives lost, Sadness, Happiness!

Here's the King, There's the Queen.
Oh, the Sunset! Dandelions & Fireweed.
Prefabricated Dreams among the Chimney Pots.

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Pat Kingwell
Secretary
10th March 2014

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	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Roger Bilder; Alison Clayburn; Jean Cunliffe; Judith Deschamps; Gary Glover; Ron Henocq; Max Nakrani (London Borough of Southwark); Dominique Phillips; Patricia Preston and Lyn Skinner	
2.	Notes of General Meeting of 15th January 2014 The notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising	
2.1.1	Southwark Park Sports Centre Tim Clee had informed us by e-mail that the planning application is now scheduled for March rather than mid-February. Tim had also provided a plan for proposed paths and fences at the Hawkstone Road side. While the meeting was pleased to see land returning to the body of the park it was noted there is no pathway from Hawkstone Gate which was our original intention. It was agreed to write to Tim Clee.	Pat Kingwell
3.	Filming in Southwark Park Andy Pavord, Southwark Council Film Officer, spoke on use of Southwark Park bandstand for a film about Freddie Mercury. Shooting could take place in April or May. The meeting was supportive of the idea, subject to our usual concerns about impact on public access, environmental damage, security and clean up. It was agreed Andy would come to our March meeting with a more worked up proposal.	Andy Pavord
4.	Jak Purcell Jak, the new Parks Liaison Officer, introduced himself to the meeting. He was welcomed and offered best wishes for his work.	
5.	Old Nursery Master Plan Update Max Nakrani had given his apologies so Pat Kingwell reported back on emails received from Rebecca Towers, Head of Parks. Rebecca is due to attend the March meeting to discuss the Master Plan with us. Gary Magold and others urged that the brief for the project remain as when it was awarded.	Rebecca Towers
6.	Cleaner, Greener Safer Programme Update Pat reported that the bids to improve Southwark Park Playground and to cover the shortfall on the Fulford/Cathay Street scheme had not been approved by the Community Council. Cllr. Nelson explained the heavy demand for grants and recommended the bids be re-submitted in the next round. It was agreed we formally express our disappointment over the disrepair of the playground water feature as children will be unable to use it during the summer.	Pat Kingwell
7.	‘Southwark Park 150’ Pat reported that since the last meeting the Programme of Events has been developed and should be finalised by the end of March. Good news in particular over:: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 28th April Anniversary Day – Woodland Trust has awarded us a pack of trees which will be planted on the south-western boundary by volunteers • 28 June Bermondsey Carnival – United St. Saviour’s Charity is funding games and children’s activities 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 16-24 August – Community Council has awarded funds for a photography exhibition • 24 August – Bandstand concert has been funded by United St. Saviour's Charity and also Rotherhithe Consolidated Charities • Film – North Southwark Environment Trust looking positively at a grant award. <p>Claire Sexton suggested we consider involving Salmon and Downside Fisher Youth Centres and Time and Talents.</p> <p>Wilma Nelson suggested we approach the Amicable Trust for funds.</p>	Pat Kingwell
7.	Park Manager's Report Andy reported:	
7.1	Southwark Park Trees – Former Social Club 386 Southwark Park Road The Parks Tree Officer will assess in week commencing 24 February.	Ian Williams
7.2	Southwark Park - Tennis Courts MSC (Material Science Consultants) have been appointed to deliver the design and build proposals for the two new tennis courts. A site visit has been undertaken with further surveying to follow. The timetable for the delivery will be posted as soon as available. MSC are the same consultants who are delivering the athletics track.	
7.3	Southwark Park – Car Parking Review Tim Walker has provided an update following a request at the previous meeting. Process and timescales <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • initial design (3 weeks) • informal consultation with stakeholders (3 weeks) • report to community council (meetings occur 5x per year) • statutory consultation and traffic order making (6 weeks) • (if objections to traffic orders then an additional report will be presented to community council to determine) • implementation of road markings and traffic signs (4 weeks) In total approx. 6 months and possibly longer if statutory objections are received. Tim Walker's team overall programme needs to be agreed with the cabinet member, so the project start date has not yet been set for this. <p>It was agreed we reiterate our concerns to the Cabinet member.</p>	Pat Kingwell
7.4	Southwark Park – Bowling Green & Artificial Rink / Portable Building A meeting took place yesterday with representatives from the Bowls Club and it was felt that the general condition of the green is good for this time of the year, especially considering the excessive amount of rainfall that we have experienced over the past few months. Moss is still present on parts of the green and this is due to be addressed by a contractor over the next two days. The artificial rink will be jet washed and re-treated for moss, at the same time. <p>The portable shed has not yet been ordered, it could be delivered within a three week period, once the purchase order number has been confirmed. We envisage that it will be installed before the next Bowls Club meeting.</p>	
7.5	Southwark Park – Community Notice Board The notice board has been damaged and we will be addressing this with Browse Bion, in order for the repairs to be undertaken as soon as possible.	
7.6	Southwark Park – Nature Garden Our Ecology Officer led a team of corporate volunteers in the garden on the 23 rd January and he directed the team to remove some climbers and Laurel at the rear	

	<p>of the site adjacent to some of the properties in Ann Moss Way. Further Laurel was reduced (2 - 3 plants) as part of this project.</p> <p>Laurel is a Schedule 9 species listed on the Wildlife and Countryside Act and as such our Ecology Officer had no reservations about removing these plants. The intention of the work was to open up the area for the benefit of ground flora and also to prepare the area for planting with wildlife species more fitting with the area. During the works a local resident complained about the clearance and the work was stopped.</p> <p>A subsequent site meeting was held on the 24th January to review the work and it was attended by representatives from Parks and by one of the residents. We acknowledged that prior notification of the work would have been beneficial to all parties and agreed that a consultation process would take place to review the work undertaken and agree a replanting plan along the boundary. We also agreed that no further work along the boundary would be carried out until the consultation exercise has been completed.</p> <p>The Tree Services Manager has commissioned an internal Landscape Architect to visit the site and produce a draft planting design and a consultation meeting will then be held on site in the near future for review and comments. It is anticipated that works will then take place shortly afterwards.</p>	
7.7	King's Stairs Gardens - St Peter's & The Guardian Angel Church Repairs to the boundary fence have been completed.	
7.8	King's Stairs Gardens - Storm Damage The trees have now been felled and the damage to the grass areas will be reinstated by our grounds maintenance contractor within the next two days.	
8.	Bowling Club Update See 7.4 above. Jim reported that the away match against Finsbury Park is under review as their green has had some problems. Colin thanked Andy and Andrea for their support over the shed.	
9.	West Lane War Memorial Meetings have been held with Lynne Olding and representatives of Southwark Cleaning. Lynne has designed and provided some planting plans to SC and the areas are currently being prepared for planting in March. Gary Magold asked that thanks be sent to Nick Mellish and Lynne for their support. It was reported that a café owner has been dumping bread baskets on the memorial garden wall. Wilma agreed to speak to him about it.	Pat Kingwell Cllr. Wilma Nelson
10.	King's Stairs Garden Issues Amanda raised the issue of the broken railings by BOSCO and the horrible dog waste on the Jamaica Road side of the park. Andy agreed to look into it.	Andy Chatterton
11.	Planning Matters Update None given	
12.	Any Other Business	
12.1	Southwark Park Carriageway Drive Margie reported that the gutters need cleaning. Sue Sexton asked that attention also be paid to the poor paving. Andy to check.	Andy Chatterton
12.2	Southwark Park London City Athletics Club 10k Run The meeting welcomed the run but concerns were expressed about the use of Gomm Road. It was recommended the route remain wholly in the park.	
12.3	Albion Street Finnish Market 29 March and Midsummer Day 21 June and WORG Postcard	

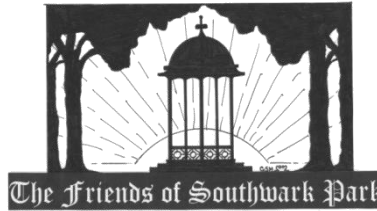
	Amanda alerted the meeting to these events and the postcards for sale	
12.4	Mulch by Gomm Gate Jean Mulholland asked about the mulch. Andy said it would be there for a couple of months until used.	
12.5	Bird Feeders near café in Southwark Park Jonathan Ashton asked that consideration be given to installing some feeders. Andrea said she would talk to Rotherhithe Primary School about the idea and Sharon Bassey said she would find out about squirrel-proof units.	Andrea Pita Sharon Bassey
13.	Dates of Future Meetings 2014 - All 6.00pm Wednesday 19 th March at The Park Office Wednesday 16 th April at The Park Office Wednesday 21 st May at The Bowls Club – Ken Worpole talk on Urban Parks Wednesday 18 th June at The Park Office Wednesday 16 th July at The Bowls Club – David Kynaston talk on Bobby Abel	

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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 19th 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 19th 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

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Alison Clayburn; Colin Hartridge-Price; Stephanie Lodge; Andy Pavord (London Borough of Southwark); Lin Skinner and Amanda Squires.	
2.	Notes of General Meeting of 19th February 2014 The notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising	
2.1.1	Southwark Park Sports Centre 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.	
2.1.2	Cleaner, Greener Safer Programme Update Anood confirmed that the Riverside Ward councillors have agreed to find the money for the Southwark Park children's playground water feature.	
2.1.3	Southwark Park – Car Parking Review 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.	
2.1.4	Bird Feeders near café in Southwark Park Sharon Bassey has found out about squirrel-proof units and will advise Andy.	
3.	Old Nursery Master Plan Update 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"> • The widening of the original brief to include a new art gallery option • Potential delays in completing the Plan and any subsequent works • Extent of consultation needed • Future timeframe It was agreed that Rebecca would call together a working group by June which would include representatives from FOSP.	Rebecca Towers
4.	Filming on Southwark Park Bandstand 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.	
5.	'Southwark Park 150' 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"> • 28th April Anniversary Day – ask Simon Hughes if he could attend the tree planting ceremony on the south-western boundary • 13th May - try to add a Jabez West anniversary activity • 21st June – add the annual Southwark Council Friends of Parks Conference 	Pat Kingwell
6.	Park Manager's Report Andy Chatterton reported:	

6.1	Southwark Park Trees – Former Social Club 386 Southwark Park Road 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.	
6.2	Southwark Park – Playground Water Feature 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.	
6.3	Southwark Park – Bowling Green Portable Building 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.	
6.4	Southwark Park - Benches and Litter Bins Additional benches and litter bins are being installed, following a previous request.	
6.5	Southwark Park – Community Notice Board 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.	
6.6	Southwark Park – Carriageway Drive 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.	
6.7	King's Stairs Gardens - Storm Damage The railings in front of the BOSCO Centre have now been replaced.	
6.8	West Lane War Memorial 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.	
7.	Bowling Club Update Colin reported there would be a meeting with Parks on Tuesday 25 th March.	
8.	West Lane War Memorial 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.	
9.	King's Stairs Garden Issues 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.	
10.	Planning Matters Update 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.	Pat Kingwell
11.	Any Other Business	
11.1	Really Rotherhithe 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 th April and it was agreed Gary Glover would attend if possible.	Gary Glover
12.	Dates of Future Meetings 2014 - All 6.00pm Wednesday 16 th April at The Park Office Wednesday 21 st May at The Bowls Club – Ken Worpole talk on Urban Parks Wednesday 18 th June at The Park Office Wednesday 16 th July at The Bowls Club – David Kynaston talk on Bobby Abel	



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General Meeting
Wednesday 18th June 2014
6.00pm at the Park Office

Agenda

1. **Apologies**
2. **Notes of General Meeting of 16th April 2014 and Matters Arising (attached)**
3. **Boats on the Lake – Monika Drozd**
4. **Southwark Park Sports Centre Update – Tim Clee**
5. **Old Nursery Master Plan Update – Max Nakrani**
6. **Bicycle Racks in Southwark Park**
7. **Memorials in Southwark Park**
8. **‘Southwark Park 150’ Update – Pat Kingwell**
9. **Park Manager’s Report – Andy Chatterton**
10. **Bowling Club Update – Ray Buckberry**
11. **West Lane War Memorial Issues**
12. **King’s Stairs Gardens Issues – Roger Bilder**
13. **Planning Matters Update**
14. **Any Other Business**
15. **Dates of Future Meetings**

Pat Kingwell
Secretary
31 May 2014

Notes of General Meeting of 16th April 2014

Present: Sharon Bassey; Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Jean Cunliffe; Dave Fisher; Helen Galichet; Gary Glover; Marjorie Hill; Gary Magold; Jean Mulholland; Andrea Pita (London Borough of Southwark); Jim Saunders; Tracy Scales; Sue Sexton; Colin Smith; Amanda Squires; George Witsey

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Roger Bilder; Alison Clayburn; Judith Deschamps; Ron Henocq; Pat Kingwell; Stephanie Lodge; Dominique Phillips; Bridget Virden.	
2.	Notes of General Meeting of 19th February 2014 The notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising	
2.1.1	Southwark Park Old Nursery Master Plan Agreed Andy would ask Rebecca Towers to provide an update for next meeting.	Andy Chatterton
2.1.2	'Southwark Park 150' Programme Leaflet Copies of leaflet available for members to distribute. Debra Gosling thanked for her design work.	
2.1.3	Southwark Park - Millstream House Planning Application 14/AP/0628 Andy Chatterton to respond to briefing note provided by Pat Kingwell. It was noted that the cherry trees are good for bees, so any replacement would have to be of similar value.	Andy Chatterton
3.	'Southwark Park 150' Update It was noted that more funding had been acquired, so thanks to the various sponsors. As part of tree planting ceremony on 28 th April it was agreed to plant by the Dilston Grove and Morton entrances. Volunteers welcomed. A discussion on Southwark Council support for the 150th anniversary followed. Agreed Gary Glover and Andy would investigate various replacement gates with commemorative wording. Amanda said FoSP & Southwark must capitalise on the interest the 150 th will raise, including: display boards; FOSP archives to be brought over from tenants hall by Andy; gazebo may be available from Albion Street; FoSP & other park leaflets to be available; pop up banners to be used; stand to be staffed.	Gary Glover Andy Chatterton
4..	Park Manager's Report Andy Chatterton reported:	
4.1	Southwark Park – Playground Water Feature Project is now being managed by Council's Cleaner Greener Safer Projects Team.	
4.2	Southwark Park – Playground Slide The Council's Repairs & Maintenance Manager has assessed the condition of the sloped areas on either side of the main slide and will be looking for a long term solution to improve the condition.	LBS Repairs Team
4.3	Southwark Park – Hanging Baskets Quadron Services Limited have again agreed to sponsor the hanging baskets until 31 st May 2015. Agreed we to write to thank Quadron.	Pat Kingwell
4.4	Southwark Park – Dilston Grove The additional paving works in front of Dilston Grove were 95% funded by Parks and the landscape works will be undertaken by QSL in the near future, once a quotation has been provided and accepted.	
4.5	Southwark Park – Water Fountains	

	The water quality has been tested and the fountains are now back in use. The Jabez West inscription will be cleaned before the 130 th anniversary on 13 th May.	
4.6	Southwark Park – Green Flag Judging The park will be judged on 5 th June, in order to retain the award.	
4.7	Southwark Park – Community Notice Board/Additional Signage Browse Bion will be replacing the door of the community notice board and also installing two warning signs for the sports field and a lectern for the Jabez West drinking fountain.	
4.8	Southwark Park – Swedish Church Condition of Boundary Wall A structural engineer recently inspected the boundary wall and will provide feedback on the overall condition and the remedial actions to take.	
4.9	Southwark Park - Lake Condition/Improvements The Ecology Officer has arranged for The Conservation Volunteers to place some barley straw in the lake to help disperse the algae. Volunteers supported by TCV, will undertake some planting work in the area in front of the lake.	
4.10	Southwark Park – Carriageway Drive The condition of the footways has been assessed and we are awaiting prices from Conway for the remedial works and for the gulleys to be cleaned out.	
4.11	Southwark Park – Community Payback Team The CPT provide a good resource working alongside Quadron Services Limited.	
4.12	Southwark Park Walkabout The gaps in boundary & private gates to be addressed.	Andy Chatterton
5.	Bowling Club Update The green is looking good & playing well. Season has started. Membership c35.	
6.	West Lane War Memorial Andy reported on the refurbishment work and Southwark Cleaning's amended maintenance visits from monthly to fortnightly. Meeting supported replanting & shops respecting the beds & not leaving rubbish on them.	
7.	King's Stairs Garden Issues Amanda raised: <u>Cathay/Fulford Street landscaping</u> ---S106 money being sought to cover shortfall and get work completed. Cllr Al-Samerai is on the case. <u>Lighting</u> ---list of lights not functioning to be provided <u>Portaloo by Mission Point</u> ---the contractors had installed a portaloo on the grass of the park without any prior request. Although it was to be only for 5 weeks those present felt it was unfortunate that prior permission had not been sought and Andy to liaise re siting it on Mission Point Land as well as seeking a contribution to KSG for the use of its land e.g. a tree, bench or item for children's playground.	Andy Chatterton
8.	Planning Matters Update Pat had provided a note on an application to develop flats at Millstream House on the boundary of Southwark Park. See 2.1.3 above.	
9.	Any Other Business	
9.1	Cyclists Speeding Margie reported that speeding cyclists around Oval had caused injuries to her dogs which had thankfully survived with vet intervention. Wardens asked to take note.	
9.2	Salter Statues Gary Glover reminded that FoSP had offered £200 to the Salter statues fund. Agreed Gary Magold send a cheque.	
10.	Dates of Future Meetings 2014 - All 6.00pm Wednesday 18 th June at The Park Office Wednesday 16 th July at The Bowls Club – David Kynaston talk on Bobby Abel	



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General Meeting
Wednesday 16th July 2014
6.00pm at the Bowling Pavilion

Agenda

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Notes of General Meeting of 18th June and Matters Arising (attached)**
- 3. Park Manager's Report – Andy Chatterton**
- 4. Any Other Business**
- 5. Dates of Future Meetings**
- 6. David Kynaston – Bobby Abel**

Pat Kingwell
Secretary
4 July 2014

Notes of General Meeting of 18th June 2014

Present: Steven Broomfield (Blue Cross); Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Tim Clee (London Borough of Southwark); Jean Cunliffe; Judith Deschamps; Monika Drozd (Bluebird Boats); Dave Fisher; Angela Glassgow (Blue Cross); Gary Glover; Marjorie Hill; Gary Magold; Cllr. Eliza Mann; Stewart Morgan; Jean Mulholland; Lyn Murray; Andrea Pita (London Borough of Southwark); Scott Renken (Cancer Research UK); Jim Saunders; Tracy Scales; Sue Sexton; Sarah Squire (Cancer Research UK); Cllr Kath Whittam; George Witsey

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Roger Bilder; Ron Henocq; Colin Smith and Amanda Squires	
2.	Notes of General Meeting of 16th April 2014 The notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising	
2.2	Southwark Park – Children’s Playground Slide The Council’s Repairs & Maintenance Manager has assessed the condition of the sloped areas on either side of the main slide and will report on a solution.	Andy Chatterton Repairs Team
3.	Boats on the Lake Monika Drozd, Bluebird Boats, spoke about the boating on the lake, planned to commence at weekends from 28 th June and throughout the summer holidays. There would be 3 rowing boats and 9 pedaloes. She outlined the experience her company had in running boats in Regents and Dulwich Parks. She had met with Jon Best, Southwark’s Ecology Officer, about wildlife and environmental issues. Monika addressed questions about security, pricing and impact on lake. Monika confirmed there would be 150 free tickets to coincide with our celebrations. The meeting welcomed the return of boats on the lake after so long a gap, and Gary Magold offered Monika copies of his historic photos for public interest.	
4.	Southwark Park Sports Centre Tim Clee updated us on the project. All funding is in place – c£3m – and works will be carried out in two phases. First the track reinstatement with a central grassed area for field sports – likely to be completed by summer 2015. Second, the changing room refurbishment thereafter. In answer to questions Tim said Southwark Harriers club had been established and would be based in the centre; there would be low level spectator seating; access would be open to general public; there would be new bulbs for floodlights; and a tight monitoring of management would be put in place. The eventual management of the centre will be up for debate. The meeting called for a very robust management agreement with stakeholder input. The Mellish Sports Centre is a good model. We also asked for representation on the project steering group. Thanks were given to Tim and all those in the community who had petitioned for improvements.	Tim Clee
5.	Blue Cross Mobile Clinic Steven Broomfield and Angela Glassgow spoke about the service offered by Blue Cross which could benefit about 4000 animals in SE16. The clinic is targeted at economically disadvantaged communities and had been in Southwark Park recently. The meeting was very supportive of a regular clinic and asked Steven and Angela to come back again as things develop.	Steven Broomfield Angela Glassgow
6.	Cancer Research Shine Night Walk Scott Renken and Sarah Squire spoke about the planned charity night walk on 27 th September. Southwark Park is suggested as the start point for an event which could involve up to 17,500 participants. A number of questions were raised including use of tracking; loudness of PA systems; tree lighting; use of Gomm	Cllr Kath Whittam

	Road and the extent to which the park will be closed to the public. Comments were made about the level of charges being made by Southwark Council for a charitable event. Cllr. Whittam agreed to take matters up with the Events team.	
7.	Old Nursery Master Plan Andy reported that Parks main focus is developing a Communications and Consultation plan and scoping other stakeholders. A project board will be set up and will arrange consultation on the Old Nursery site, the athletics track and building project. The date of the first meeting will be announced as soon as key stakeholders are nominated. It was agreed that Gary Glover and Tracy Scales would represent FOSP, with Marjorie Hill in reserve. Tracy offered to speak to an Ann Moss Way resident as a representative.	Max Nakrani
8.	Bicycle Racks in Southwark Park Angela Woolhouse, one of our members, had asked about the provision of more racks. It was agreed Andy would report back on potential locations and costs.	Andy Chatterton
9.	Memorials in Southwark Park Questions were asked about the regulations around putting personal memorials in the park. Andy confirmed there is a Council policy, which he will provide.	Andy Chatterton
10.	'Southwark Park 150' Update Pat outlined activities taken place to date, including tree planting; tour of the Ada Salter Garden; Jabez West day; Norwegian Constitution Day; Ken Worpole's talk; and the Bobby Abel Memorial Cricket Cup (winners St. Joseph's, Gomm Road). Thanks extended to all who had made the events possible, especially the volunteers, sponsors and staff from Southwark Park. A drawing of the proposed '150' commemorative gates was circulated and generally approved.	
11.	Park Manager's Report Andy Chatterton reported:	
11.1	Southwark Park – Playground Water Feature The contractor Ustigate will commence the work on 23rd June and they estimate the initial works will take a week. There will then be a three week 'settling' period during which time the area will remain fenced off and they will then return to complete the work before the start of the school summer holidays.	
11.2	Southwark Park – New Tennis Courts Material Science Consultants Ltd (MSc) have provided feasibility reports and a cost estimate. Geotechnical survey will happen on 26 June. The process is underway to seek authority to go out to tender. MSc have produced plans and colour options for discussion with FoSP, looking to Friends to firm up the surface colour option. Re-painting older courts will only be delivered if we have a budget underspend. <u>Current programme:</u> FoSP - sign off on colour option June 2014 Gateway 1 approval July 2014 Planning (8 weeks) July 2014 Tender process (6-8 weeks) September 2014 Gateway 2 award of contract November 2014 Commencement of works (12 weeks) December 2014 Completion March 2015	
11.3	'Southwark Park 150' Trees Some of the trees planted near Dilston Grove on 28 th April were vandalised shortly afterwards and have now been replanted on the mounded area.	
11.4	Southwark Park Boundary and Private Gates The gaps in front of boundary and private gates have yet to be addressed.	Andy Chatterton
11.5	Southwark Park – Jabez West Water Fountain A new lectern has been installed by Browse Bion.	

11.6	Southwark Park - Lake Condition The algae and blanket weed was treated on 13 th June. Although the treatment was successful, there is now a red colouring on the surface giving off a strong odour. The Ecology Officer has viewed the condition and water samples will be taken for analysis on 20th June by A.G.A Group Bioengineering Systems Limited.	
11.7	Southwark Park Walkabout The gaps in boundary & private gates to be addressed.	Andy Chatterton
11.8	King's Stairs Gardens - Portaloo by Mission Point The contractor has been asked if they would make a goodwill gesture in view of the fact that they did not have to obtain a licence. One suggestion is the funding of a young staked tree in soft ground.	
11.9	King's Stairs Gardens - Damage to trees Several residents have reported on the damage to the Fields in Trust Oak tree in the grass area behind Cathay House. The wire fence has now been re-secured around the tree to help prevent further damage occurring.	
12.	Bowling Club Update It was agreed to nominate the club for a Southwark News Blue Plaque.	Pat Kingwell
13.	West Lane War Memorial Gary Magold thanked Lyn Olding and Nick Mellish for the improvements.	
14.	King's Stairs Garden Issues None other than 11.8 and 11.9 above	
15.	Planning Matters Update - Southwark Park – Millstream House Planning Application 14/AP/0628 The Parks Tree Officer – Ian Williams has no real issue with the removal of the tree in poor health. There are 2 other trees that have their Root Protection Areas (RPAs) within the site but these roots are currently already under hard surfacing on that side, which is to remain in place during the works followed by a hand dig approach at a later date. Ian is willing to visit the site anytime to ensure correct methods are being used, particularly if it is suspected that the guidelines are not being followed. The branch pruning must be done to current standards (BS3998:2010) and Ian is happy to be present when this is to take place if required. Ian's only real concern is that these existing trees will cast shade onto the proposed new dwellings (this is shown in the tree report in the application), which will inevitably result at some point in the new residents wanting the trees pruned back for light - which is of course something we don't prune for under the council tree strategy but it could be worth thinking about putting TPOs on the trees as an attempt to prevent future issues. It was agreed that Tree Protection Orders should be pursued by the Parks Tree Officer.	Andy Chatterton Ian Williams
16.	Any Other Business	
16.1	Traffic Management in Southwark Park The issue of commuter parking remains aa concern and it was agreed to take it up with the new Cabinet member.	Pat Kingwell
16.2	Dolphins Sculpture Agreed to ask when it will be installed in Southwark Park lake.	Pat Kingwell
17.	Dates of Future Meetings 2014 - All 6.00pm Wednesday 16 th July at The Bowling Club Pavilion – David Kynaston talk on Bobby Abel Wednesday 17 th September – Annual General Meeting and Film Premiere	



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General Meeting
Wednesday 15th October 2014
6.00pm at the Park Office

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Pat Kingwell
Secretary
24 September 2014

Notes of General Meeting of 18th September 2014

Present: Jane Abraham; Henry Abraham; Rose Ades; Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Sharon Bassey; Mark Bean; Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Alison Clayburn; Alizon Cleal; Jean Cunliffe; Judith Deschamps; Barry Duckett; Jan Duckett; Geoffrey Edwards; Jim Estall; Dave Fisher; Peter Gazey; Gary Glover; Marjorie Hill; Delamare Hughes; Simon Hughes, M.P.; Jill Jerram; Pat Kingwell; Gary Magold; Rene Magold; John Mannering; Pam Miller; Stewart Morgan; Jean Mulholland; Wilma Nelson; Kate Nottidge; Andrea Pita (London Borough of Southwark); Jim Saunders; Tracy Scales; Sue Sexton; Colin Smith; Roger Squires; Rich Wale; Brenda Watkinson; George Witsey

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Clare Armstrong; Roger Bilder; Denise Capstick; Tim Clee (London Borough of Southwark); Cllr. Stephanie Cryan; Colin Hartridge-Price; Ron Henocq; Nick Lane; Lyn Murray; Lynne Olding; Cllr. Lisa Rajan; Nicky Rathbone; Louise Sheridan; Amanda Squires; Sheila Taylor; Paul Toal and Cllr Kath Whittam	
2.	Notes of General Meeting of 16th July 2014 The notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising	
2.1.1	Southwark Park – Cancer Research Shine Night Walk An update was given by Gary Glover. The questions we had raised about the event had been taken up by Cllr. Whittam on our behalf and subsequently repeated in an email to the Events Team. Our concerns have been addressed and it seems income from the event will fund two outdoor table tennis tables. It was agreed to write to the Chief Executive’s department to recommend improvements in consultation over events in the park.	Pat Kingwell
2.1.2	Southwark Park – Outdoor Gyms Simon Hughes M.P., asked that consideration be given to having a second outdoor gym as the current one is very popular. Agreed to look into it.	
2.1.3	Southwark Park Cricket Club The club has been re-established and a successful match had been played against Burgess Park C.C. for ‘The Guv’nor’s Cup’ as part of our ‘150’ celebrations. The Rotherhithe Festival Committee had kindly funded the trophy, medals and refreshments. It was agreed to ask Martin Kovats to update on progress.	Martin Kovats
2.1.4	Southwark Park – Dangerous Cycling Yet again concerns were raised about dangerous cycling and a number of incidents described. There are particular problems about speed along the longer paths. It was agreed to ask Parks to come up with some creative options to improve things for discussion at our next meeting.	Andy Chatterton John Reid
3.	Park Manager’s Report Andy Chatterton reported:	
3.1	Southwark Park – Playground Slide An order has been issued to Fenland Leisure Products to undertake the work.	
3.2	Southwark Park – Cycle Racks The cycle racks (3 groups of 4) have been purchased from Bollards International Limited and they will be installed by Asset Management opposite the tennis courts, inside the children’s playground and at the side of Dilston Grove.	
3.3	Southwark Park - Carriageway Drive Remedial works are being undertaken by FM Conway to the footways and part of the carriageway. A surface dressing will be applied after six weeks, to allow the resin to stick to the tarmac. Capital funding has been obtained for the majority of this work.	

3.4	Southwark Park Boundary and Private Gates Some mature Pyracantha will be planted across the open area at Maydew House week commencing 22nd September and some letters will be sent in the near future to residents who currently have unauthorized access into the park.	
3.5	Southwark Park – Dolphins Sculpture The Senior Arts Officer is still trying to find an engineering solution as the liner has caused massive issues, discussions are currently taking place with FM Conway to resolve this.	
3.6	Southwark Park - The Blue Cross Mobile Clinic A weekly service will commence from Monday 22 nd September and the vehicle will be parked in the area between the traffic barrier and Gomm Road Gates.	
3.7	Southwark Park - Car Parking Review The programme was approved on 15 th September and the project is expected to start in January 15 th 2014, with public consultation in March/April 2014. Subject to consultation, controls could be introduced in July 2014.	
3.8	Southwark Park – Former Swedish Church Boundary Wall The new wall should be completed by the end of September and FM Conway will then undertake ground reinstatement work. Capital funding has been obtained for this work. It was reported that the developer had attempted to insert private access gates into the wall but Parks had ensured this did not happen. Thanks were given to Parks team.	
3.9	Southwark Park – ‘150’ Gates The new double gates either side of the carriageway near the main entrance will be built by Asset Management and an expected completion date will be provided at the next meeting. This work has been funded by the Southwark Park budget.	Andy Chatterton
3.10	Southwark Park - Jamaica Road Railings Railings damaged in two incidents have now been repaired / replaced.	
3.11	Southwark Park - BALI Award (British Association of Landscape Industries) Southwark Park has received the National award for a well maintained public access park. Thanks and congratulations passed on to Quadron and Parks team.	
3.12	Southwark Park – Sports Centre Planning Permission Planning permission was approved for the track on 16th September and the works tendering process has commenced. Tim Clee to update at next meeting.	Tim Clee
3.13	Southwark Park - Memorials The memorials policy was provided and is available from the Park Office.	
3.14	Southwark Park – Blue Cross Mobile Clinic The free animal clinic is due to come to the park every Monday from 22 nd September. For details call 0300 777 1890 or go to www.bluecross.org.uk	
3.15	King’s Stairs Gardens - Lighting Replacement Works are underway, including removing and replacing what is already installed without making any changes to the layout of the site. All new lamp columns will be 5m Aluminium Hinged fitted with a 34w LED Lantern. Underground ducts will be replaced where required and re-cabling of the entire installation. Works are scheduled to be completed by mid-November. The meeting thanked Amanda Squires for her campaigning on this issue.	
3.16	King’s Stairs Gardens - Green Flag Award Parks will be entering the site for the award next year and will need to liaise with a representative from ‘Save King’s Stairs Gardens Action Group’ throughout the process. A notice board will be purchased and installed outside the children’s playground or at alternative preferred location.	
3.17	Andy Chatterton Presentation In recognition of his 40 years local government service the meeting was pleased to present Andy with a token of our esteem.	

4.	Any Other Business	
4.1	London Cycling Superhighway Simon Hughes, M.P. referred to plans for a major cycling initiative and that public consultation will follow.	
5.	Dates of Future Meetings 2014/15 - All 6.00pm at The Park Office unless otherwise notified Wednesday 15 th October 2014 Wednesday 19 th November 2014 Wednesday 21 st January 2015 Wednesday 18 th February 2015 Wednesday 18 th March 2015 Wednesday 15 th April 2015 Wednesday 20 th May 2015 Wednesday 17 th June 2015 Wednesday 15 th July 2015	
6.	'It's Our Park' Film Showing Stewart Morgan's film was shown to great acclamation. There will be two further free showings on 29 th October at Shortwave Cinema, Bermondsey Square and DVDs will be produced. The meeting paid particular thanks to sponsors North Southwark Environment Trust and Bermondsey Square Community Fund.	



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- 6. Park Manager’s Report – Andy Chatterton**
- 7. Fireworks Night Feedback - All**
- 8. Friends of Southwark Park Activities Programme 2015 – Pat Kingwell**
- 9. Cleaner Greener Safer Programme 2015**
- 10. Bowling Club Update**
- 11. West Lane War Memorial Issues**
- 12. King’s Stairs Gardens Issues**
- 13. Planning Matters Update**
- 14. Any Other Business**
- 15. Dates of Future Meetings**

Pat Kingwell
Secretary
31st October 2014

Notes of General Meeting of 15th October 2014

Present: Sharon Bassey; Alison Clayburn; Cllr. Stephanie Cryan; Jean Cunliffe; Judith Deschamps; Dave Fisher; Gary Glover; Colin Hartridge-Price; Marjorie Hill; Pat Kingwell; Gary Magold; Max Nakrani (London Borough of Southwark); Andrea Pita (London Borough of Southwark); Jim Saunders; Tracy Scales; Sue Sexton; Cllr. Bill Williams and George Witsey

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Clare Armstrong; Roger Bilder; Tim Clee (London Borough of Southwark); Cllr. Neil Coyle; Jim Estall; Simon Hughes, M.P.; Stephanie Lodge; Jean Mulholland; Louise Sheridan; Colin Smith; Amanda Squires; Rachel Steeden and Cllr Kath Whittam	
2.	Notes of General Meeting of 18th September 2014 The notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising	
2.1.1	Southwark Park – Cancer Research Shine Night Walk It was agreed to write to Graham Goulden of Southwark Council’s Chief Executive’s department to request the 10k received by the Council for the event is spent on the provision of outdoor table tennis tables.	Pat Kingwell
3.	Southwark Park Sports Centre Update Tim Clee had emailed to say that there would be more to report on in a few weeks so it was agreed to invite him to our November meeting.	Tim Clee
4.	Old Nursery Plan Update Max Nakrani reported that the scheme had reached sketch design stage and had been provisionally signed-off by Cllr. Hargrove in readiness for public consultation. He confirmed that the option of relocating the Gallery was no longer in the Council’s plans and that a one-building solution was being considered for the café/office element alongside landscape improvements to the Old Nursery site itself. Max advised that funding had yet to be allocated to the scheme. Concerns were voiced about the lack of involvement to date of FOSP’s nominated Working Group representatives, Gary Glover and Tracy Scales. Following interventions by several members and Cllrs. Cryan and Williams, it was agreed that Gary and Tracy they should be invited to see the sketch designs as soon as possible and that the matter be on November’s agenda.	Max Nakrani
5.	Cycling in Southwark Park Andrea reported that the Park management are considering some dual-use signs to help prevent dangerous cycling on the main route from China Hall Gates to Paradise Gates and similarly from Dilston Grove to Christchurch Gates, to alert cyclists to slow down. While this was welcomed the meeting repeated its previous request that a more holistic approach be adopted including designing-out options. It was agreed to put the item on the November agenda.	Andy Chatterton John Reid
6.	Improving Southwark Park’s south-western boundary Pat Kingwell circulated some photographs about the relative poor quality of the boundary compared to the others within the park. It was agreed that some practical measures should be taken to improve things. During the course of the discussion it was also agreed that the Maydew House redevelopment may offer a potential solution to the eyesore. It was agreed to attend the forthcoming public consultation session to press the case for a better boundary. Grosvenor Estates had approached The Friends with an offer of free birch trees which had been passed on to Parks. An update for November was agreed.	Committee Members Andy Chatterton

7.	Park Manager's Report Andrea Pita reported:	
7.1	Southwark Park – Former Swedish Church Boundary Wall The new wall has been completed but the extent of the reinstatement work to the grass area and hedge base, has yet to be finalised.	Andy Chatterton
7.2	Southwark Park – '150' Gates Work on constructing the new double gates commenced this week and the date of the installation will be confirmed at the next meeting.	Andy Chatterton
7.3	Southwark Park Boundary and Private Gates Our colleagues in Legal are currently offering advice on how to officially notify the residents of 31-42 Frankland Close regarding unauthorised access and the possible action that the Council will take if it is unresolved.	Andy Chatterton
7.4	Southwark Park – Bowling Green An accident on 3 rd October has been fully investigated by QSL / Parks and measures will be put in place to ensure that there are no repetitions. This item was discussed in full at the monthly meeting on 14/10 with a representative from the Bowls Committee and with representatives from QSL.	
7.5	Southwark Park - Boats on Lake Andrea confirmed the boats will be off the lake by the end of October. The meeting expressed satisfaction with the service during the summer and hoped it would continue next year.	
7.6	Southwark Park - Jabez West Memorial Taps It was reported that the taps had been vandalised and need repairing.	Andy Chatterton
7.7	Southwark Park - Bandstand It was reported that oil stains around the bandstand need to be removed.	Andy Chatterton
7.8	Southwark Park – Tree Damage Dog damage to trees near Albin's was reported and needs looking at.	Andy Chatterton
7.9	Southwark Park – Quadron Depot Building Unsightly slime on the building was reported which needs attention.	Andy Chatterton
7.10	King's Stairs Gardens - Lighting Replacement Asset Management – Operations Manager advised the scheme is due to be fully completed in the next 2-3 weeks. The project is at practical completion with about 95% finished, waiting for the lanterns and UKPN transfers on the additional columns next to The Angel Pub. Some snagging remains to be completed but all columns are installed, connected and up and running. The meeting thanked the local councillors for backing the improvements.	
8.	Cleaner Greener Safer Programme 2015 It was agreed to submit a Southwark Park Improvements package consisting of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bandstand renovation of concrete flooring; painting; lighting; balustrades and an interpretation board • An outdoor gym in the northern sector - 'Scout's Field' • Two outdoor table tennis tables – location to be decided but not in a place which could distract passing motorists • A bee observation hive Subsequent to the meeting Amanda Squires confirmed she had re-submitted the previously agreed Cathay/Fulford Thames Path scheme.	Andrea Pita Pat Kingwell
9.	Bowling Club Update None given	
10.	West Lane War Memorial Issues Gary Magold reminded of the two Remembrance Day ceremonies on 9 th and 11 th November. It was agreed that Jean Cunliffe would lay the Friends' wreath.	Jean Cunliffe

11.	King's Stairs Gardens Issues None reported	
12.	Planning Matters Update Cllr. Cryan reported the Scout House development was at pre-planning stage.	
13.	Any Other Business	
13.1	Donation Our patron, Simon Hughes M.P. had arranged for a donation of £200 for The Friends, which was gratefully received. It was agreed to send an email of thanks.	Pat Kingwell
13.2	Southwark Park Tennis Courts Max Nakrani updated on the CGS scheme. The key dates are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • November 2014 - Tenders out • January 2015 – appoint contractor • February 2015 – works commence • May 2015 – works completed 	
13.3	'It's Our Park' Film Showings Stewart Morgan's film is to be shown for free on 29 th October at Shortwave Cinema, Bermondsey Square at 3.30 and 7.30. All welcome Complimentary dvds will be available from that day. Andrea also requested that the film be shown at the Parks staff meeting on 21 st October. The meeting reiterated its thanks to sponsors North Southwark Environment Trust and Bermondsey Square Community Fund.	
13.4	Southwark Park Cricket Nets Jean Cunliffe asked if some nets could be provided. It was agreed to ask Tim Clee when he comes to the November meeting.	Pat Kingwell
13.5	Al Party Parliamentary Group Report on Well-Being Economics Alison Clayburn said the Group had produced a Report 'Well-Being in Four Policy Areas' which may have implications for public parks.	
13.6	Southwark Park – The National Citizenship Programme Pat reported that in September we had arranged for over 80 young people to come to Southwark Park for volunteering. Thanks were given to the Parks and Quadron staff for their support and to Gary Magold. It was agreed to meet with The Challenge officers to review the two volunteering days.	Pat Kingwell Andrea Pita
13.7	Southwark Park – Fireworks Night The display is on the evening 5 th November and a large crowd is expected.	
13.8	Southwark Park Honey Sharon Bassey reported that our honey will be placed in competition at the National Honey Show in St. George's College Weybridge. Good luck!!	
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Annual General Meetings

2010 – 2015



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Notes of Annual General Meeting held on 28th September 2010 at The Gallery Southwark Park

In attendance:

Cllr Anood Al-Samerai; Nina Chantry; Alison Clayburn; Michael Daniels; Gary Glover; Kathy Hennessy; Ron Henocq; Jerry Hewitt; Marjorie Hill; Brett Hogan; Pat Kingwell; Cllr Wilma Nelson; John Reid; Jim Saunders; Sue Sexton-Figgins; Amanda Squires; Rosie Thornton; Corinne Turner and Sylvia Wanless.

Phil Stride and colleague from Thames Water.

1. Apologies

None

2. Update from Parks Manager

2.1 Rosie Thornton reported on a number of issues:

Staffing and Security

- Nina Chantry (0207 525 2235) is now the Standards Officer for Southwark Park area and can be contacted regarding any queries relating to Grounds Maintenance and the monitoring of Quadron PLC.
- Agnese Appleby left the service of Southwark Council on 17th September. This position will not be filled at present and her work will be covered by Emma Longman (0207 525 0879)
- John Reid (0207 7401 665) has been appointed as the Parks Community Liaison Team Leader. John is based at Southwark Park in the warden's office and patrols the parks in the Southwark Area, mainly by bike. There are 3 other PLO's based in the park areas. Will Walpole – Dulwich. Mark Newell – Peckham. Fran Sareceno – Burgess. John is the line manager for these 3 officers. The Community Wardens now operate under a revised Service Level Agreement, which means that in addition to the Park's Liaison Officer's parks 'buy in' a number of hours of patrols in the week, with a presence of 2 wardens per park area at weekends. Additionally they supply 10 targeted enforcement operations per park area per year.
- SB Security now locks up the parks in the borough and also undertakes the emergency duty officer service.

Bowling Green

- Works to install the artificial strip have been completed.
- Bayliss have been appointed to undertake the installation of the new green and works commenced this week and will take approximately one month. They have also been asked to supply an irrigation system which will receive water from the borehole.

- Roof – the copper roof has been vandalised again. The bowls club are in agreement that it maybe better to replace the roof with a less desirable material.

Action: Rosie would like the FOSP view on this and would need to seek advice from English Heritage.

Cafe

- Town and Country catering have been appointed to run the cafe for one year. Apart from some problems with the management of the cafe (which has now changed) this has been operating well and the cafe has been decorated and is more welcoming.

EDF money

- This money has still not been received by Parks and legal team are dealing with this and Rosie continues to chase. She would like to allocate some money to the fish farm and possible improvements to the cafe.

Action: Rosie to advise on progress

Lake

- The lake has had a problem with Blue Green algae this summer (As well as Burgess Park lake) risk to the public is very low but warning notices were in place. There is little that can be done to stop this happening in hot weather. The lake is topped up regularly with water from the borehole.

Outdoor Gym

- Cleaner Greener Safer funds have been awarded to install an outdoor gym. Suggested location to the right of the tennis courts. Quotes being sort from Wicksteed, Fresh Air Fitness and Park Leisure. On discussion on the walk about it was agreed to review 2 locations 1 by the tennis courts and 1 on the old play soft sports surface on the playing fields.

Dilston Grove

- Rosie indicated she is looking to contribute to a notice board, and improve the turf to the front of the gallery and possible contribute towards seating.

Action: Rosie to advise on progress

Green Flag

- Southwark Park was successful in retaining its green flag. Feedback has been received and will be acted upon for next year. Band Score 75 -79 which means the park will only receive a mystery visit next year.

Actions from Walkabout

- Some concern about people accessing wildlife garden over gate. RT reviewed but felt that if bar was removed people would still be able to climb over and the taller internal gate had made an improvement to the security in the area.
- Moreton Terrace – Pillar damaged reported for repair.
- Bandstand lighting out of order – reported for repair.
- Paint balustrades – to be actioned possible Probation service project.
- Jabez West fountain – taps and basins not clean – Lynn to action.
- FOSP concern over commuter parking on carriageway but Parks don't see this as an issue at present – to be monitored
- Lake fountain can be repaired now that Blue green algae has been reduced.
- Ada Salter Garden – gap in fencing to rear of first arch – to be reported for repair.
- Franklin close – 3 gates accessing the park. RT to contact legal for advice.

- Bore hole still requires painting – RT to action
- Large Acer on route to China Hall gate – tarmac has lifted and looks unsightly RT to action after taking advice from Tree Section
- China Hall gate – fence panel is loose RT to action
- Rear of restaurant covered in graffiti RT to action

Action: Rosie to advise on progress of various items

2.2 Ron Henocq:

- asked for Gallery to be included on finger posts within the park in order to improve public information
- asked for vegetation to be cut back near the entrance to the Gallery so that the public can better see the Gallery.

Action: Rosie to advise on progress on Ron's requests

2.3 Amanda Squires requested that distance markers be installed in the park to help runners.

2.4 Jim Saunders:

- asked if the old water system can be linked to the northern end of the park
- Noted that some jobs need doing on the bowling green, including trimming the trees; attending to boundary fencing and repainting the pavilion and removing rust from the base

2.5 Gary Glover noted that the tennis courts are in need of refurbishment and suggested that an application be made to the Council's Cleaner Greener Safer fund. Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai recommended that a joint application to Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Community Councils could be made. Cllr Wilma Nelson said that as tennis is so popular some additional courts should be considered.

3. Kings Stairs Gardens – Thames Water Thames Tunnel Proposals

3.1 Phil Stride and a colleague from Thames Water gave a presentation on plans for combined sewer overflow at Kings Stairs Gardens. A full discussion followed and questions were asked by many of those present, including:

- Are there not other sites for the CSO, e.g. near South Dock Marina?
- Has community open space been chosen because it is the cheaper option?
- Will Thames Water use CPO powers?
- Thames Water have chosen to hold consultation meetings at Surrey Docks Water Sports Centre, which is far from the residents most affected Can additional meetings be set up nearer to Kings Stairs Gardens?

3.2 The deadline for comments is 20th December 2010. It was agreed that the subject would be discussed again at a future meeting of the The Friends of Southwark Park and a formal response to the proposals submitted to Thames Water.

Action: FoSP to agree formal response at November meeting

4. Projects Update - Former Nursery Project

4.1 Gary Glover read an e-mail from Head of Parks, Rebecca Towers, in which she confirmed that funding had been approved from Cleaner Greener Safer Programme to clear the site. However she indicated that future use of the site had yet to be agreed, nor had second stage funding. She also confirmed that under the Council's Unitary Development Plan the site is not deemed to be Metropolitan Open Land, but is part of the Canada Water Area Plan.

- 4.2 A discussion followed in which concern was expressed about the vulnerability of the site to unspecified development. Comments were made about seeking clarification of ownership; the current protected status of the site and also about investigating ways in which the site can be designated as Metropolitan Open Land in line with the rest of the Grade Two Listed park.
- 4.3 Jerry Hewitt informed the meeting that at Southwark Council Cabinet meeting on 21st September 2010, it was reported that in response to a request from the Cabinet member for Regeneration and Corporate Strategy, the Secretary of State had agreed to change a previous plan for Nursery Row Park. A similar approach could be made over the former nursery site.

Action: FoSP to seek advice on how the former nursery site may be protected through designation

5. AGM Business

Election of Officers

- 5.1 Officers for 2010/11 agreed as follows:

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Vice-chairperson: Amanda Squires
Secretary: Pat Kingwell
Treasurer: Marjorie Hill
Assistant Treasurer: Ron Henocq
Membership Secretary: To be elected

Officer Committee

- 5.2 In addition to the above-mentioned officers the following expressed interest in serving on the Committee:
- Michael Daniels
 - Kathy Hennessey
 - Jerry Hewitt
 - Sue Sexton-Figgins
 - Corinne Turner

Membership and Constitution

- 5.3 After discussion on membership and constitution it was agreed Officer Committee to review both and report back to future General meeting.

6. Sports Centre Update

- 6.1 Gary Glover reported two key events on the scheme, i.e. that the planning application had been quashed by Southwark Council and Sport England funding was now unavailable.
- 6.2 Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai reported Southwark Council's Cabinet on 21st September 2010 had resolved as follows:
- Cabinet notes the quashing of the council's planning permission for the refurbishment of the sports and athletics facilities at Southwark Park.
 - Cabinet notes the public statement of 'disappointment' by the leader of the council at this setback, and that securing an Olympic legacy for Southwark remains a priority for the council.
 - That the cabinet member for culture, leisure, sport and the Olympics makes all efforts to make a decision on the submission of a new application to allow the

possibility of the project being delivered in time for the Olympics.

7. Grounds Maintenance Issues

7.1 Nina Chantry, the Park Standards Officer, reported on various matters and received a number of questions:

- Unapproved access to the park - Amanda Squires asked if anything had been done about gates being let into the park by private houses and other neighbours. The matter had been raised a year ago but it seems as if the situation still persists.

Action: Rosie to advise on progress over this issue

- Quadron budget and mower– Jim Saunders asked if the savings being made by Quadron during the turfing works on the bowling green could be reallocated to other spend. Nina explained that the budget will have been subject to a variation order. Jim queried if a mower could be permanently located at Southwark Park.

Action: Nina to advise on progress over this issue

8. Community Outreach

8.1 Agnese Appleby has left, and as indicated above Emma Longman (0207 525 0879) is covering.

9. Any Other Business

Our Park Reminiscence Project

9.1 Pat Kingwell reported on the project, saying over 200 people had attended the book launch and exhibition and many local people had been involved, including St. Joseph's Primary (Gomm Road) and Rotherhithe Primary schools and Time and Talents. He especially thanked Marjorie Hill, Gary Magold and Debra Gosling for their work during the project.

Dangerous Cycling

9.2 It was mentioned by a number of people that cycling in the park has put pedestrians in danger, and that management should look into better control.



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**Annual General Meeting 2011/12
21st September 2011 6.00pm at
The Clubroom, Rear of St. Peters Church, 72 Paradise Street, SE16**

Agenda

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Notes of Annual General Meeting of 28th September 2010 and Matters Arising (attached)**
- 3. Annual Report 2010/2011 (to follow)**
- 4. Election of Officers 2011/12**
 - 4.1 Chairperson**
 - 4.2 Vice-Chairperson**
 - 4.3 Secretary**
 - 4.4 Treasurer**
 - 4.5 Assistant Treasurer**
 - 4.6 Membership Secretary**
- 5. Election of Six (6) Committee Members**
- 6. South East London Combined Heat and Power Proposals – Southwark Council Officer**
- 7. Old Nursery Project Update - Southwark Council Officer**
- 8. Any Other Business**
- 9. Dates of Future Meetings**



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Notes of Annual General Meeting held on 28th September 2010 at The Gallery Southwark Park

In attendance:

Cllr Anood Al-Samerai; Nina Chantry; Alison Clayburn; Michael Daniels; Gary Glover; Kathy Hennessy; Ron Henocq; Jerry Hewitt; Marjorie Hill; Brett Hogan; Pat Kingwell; Cllr Wilma Nelson; John Reid; Jim Saunders; Sue Sexton-Figgins; Amanda Squires; Rosie Thornton; Corinne Turner and Sylvia Wanless.

Phil Stride and colleague from Thames Water.

1. Apologies

None

2. Update from Parks Manager

2.1 Rosie Thornton reported on a number of issues:

Staffing and Security

- Nina Chantry (0207 525 2235) is now the Standards Officer for Southwark Park area and can be contacted regarding any queries relating to Grounds Maintenance and the monitoring of Quadron PLC.
- Agnese Appleby left the service of Southwark Council on 17th September. This position will not be filled at present and her work will be covered by Emma Longman (0207 525 0879)
- John Reid (0207 7401 665) has been appointed as the Parks Community Liaison Team Leader. John is based at Southwark Park in the warden's office and patrols the parks in the Southwark Area, mainly by bike. There are 3 other PLO's based in the park areas. Will Walpole – Dulwich. Mark Newell – Peckham. Fran Sareceno – Burgess. John is the line manager for these 3 officers. The Community Wardens now operate under a revised Service Level Agreement, which means that in addition to the Park's Liaison Officer's parks 'buy in' a number of hours of patrols in the week, with a presence of 2 wardens per park area at weekends. Additionally they supply 10 targeted enforcement operations per park area per year.
- SB Security now locks up the parks in the borough and also undertakes the emergency duty officer service.

Bowling Green

- Works to install the artificial strip have been completed.
- Bayliss have been appointed to undertake the installation of the new green and works commenced this week and will take approximately one month. They have also been asked to supply an irrigation system which will receive water from the borehole.

- Roof – the copper roof has been vandalised again. The bowls club are in agreement that it maybe better to replace the roof with a less desirable material.

Action: Rosie would like the FOSP view on this and would need to seek advice from English Heritage.

Cafe

- Town and Country catering have been appointed to run the cafe for one year. Apart from some problems with the management of the cafe (which has now changed) this has been operating well and the cafe has been decorated and is more welcoming.

EDF money

- This money has still not been received by Parks and legal team are dealing with this and Rosie continues to chase. She would like to allocate some money to the fish farm and possible improvements to the cafe.

Action: Rosie to advise on progress

Lake

- The lake has had a problem with Blue Green algae this summer (As well as Burgess Park lake) risk to the public is very low but warning notices were in place. There is little that can be done to stop this happening in hot weather. The lake is topped up regularly with water from the borehole.

Outdoor Gym

- Cleaner Greener Safer funds have been awarded to install an outdoor gym. Suggested location to the right of the tennis courts. Quotes being sort from Wicksteed, Fresh Air Fitness and Park Leisure. On discussion on the walk about it was agreed to review 2 locations 1 by the tennis courts and 1 on the old play soft sports surface on the playing fields.

Dilston Grove

- Rosie indicated she is looking to contribute to a notice board, and improve the turf to the front of the gallery and possible contribute towards seating.

Action: Rosie to advise on progress

Green Flag

- Southwark Park was successful in retaining its green flag. Feedback has been received and will be acted upon for next year. Band Score 75 -79 which means the park will only receive a mystery visit next year.

Actions from Walkabout

- Some concern about people accessing wildlife garden over gate. RT reviewed but felt that if bar was removed people would still be able to climb over and the taller internal gate had made an improvement to the security in the area.
- Moreton Terrace – Pillar damaged reported for repair.
- Bandstand lighting out of order – reported for repair.
- Paint balustrades – to be actioned possible Probation service project.
- Jabez West fountain – taps and basins not clean – Lynn to action.
- FOSP concern over commuter parking on carriageway but Parks don't see this as an issue at present – to be monitored
- Lake fountain can be repaired now that Blue green algae have been reduced.
- Ada Salter Garden – gap in fencing to rear of first arch – to be reported for repair.
- Franklin close – 3 gates accessing the park. RT to contact legal for advice.

- Bore hole still requires painting – RT to action
- Large Acer on route to China Hall gate – tarmac has lifted and looks unsightly RT to action after taking advice from Tree Section
- China Hall gate – fence panel is loose RT to action
- Rear of restaurant covered in graffiti RT to action

Action: Rosie to advise on progress of various items

2.2 Ron Henocq:

- asked for Gallery to be included on finger posts within the park in order to improve public information
- asked for vegetation to be cut back near the entrance to the Gallery so that the public can better see the Gallery.

Action: Rosie to advise on progress on Ron's requests

2.3 Amanda Squires requested that distance markers be installed in the park to help runners.

2.4 Jim Saunders:

- asked if the old water system can be linked to the northern end of the park
- Noted that some jobs need doing on the bowling green, including trimming the trees; attending to boundary fencing and repainting the pavilion and removing rust from the base

2.5 Gary Glover noted that the tennis courts are in need of refurbishment and suggested that an application be made to the Council's Cleaner Greener Safer fund. Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai recommended that a joint application to Bermondsey and Rotherhithe Community Councils could be made. Cllr Wilma Nelson said that as tennis is so popular some additional courts should be considered.

3. Kings Stairs Gardens – Thames Water Thames Tunnel Proposals

3.1 Phil Stride and a colleague from Thames Water gave a presentation on plans for combined sewer overflow at Kings Stairs Gardens. A full discussion followed and questions were asked by many of those present, including:

- Are there not other sites for the CSO, e.g. near South Dock Marina?
- Has community open space been chosen because it is the cheaper option?
- Will Thames Water use CPO powers?
- Thames Water have chosen to hold consultation meetings at Surrey Docks Water Sports Centre, which is far from the residents most affected Can additional meetings be set up nearer to Kings Stairs Gardens?

3.2 The deadline for comments is 20th December 2010. It was agreed that the subject would be discussed again at a future meeting of the The Friends of Southwark Park and a formal response to the proposals submitted to Thames Water.

Action: FoSP to agree formal response at November meeting

4. Projects Update - Former Nursery Project

4.1 Gary Glover read an e-mail from Head of Parks, Rebecca Towers, in which she confirmed that funding had been approved from Cleaner Greener Safer Programme to clear the site. However she indicated that future use of the site had yet to be agreed, nor had second stage funding. She also confirmed that under the Council's Unitary Development Plan the site is not deemed to be Metropolitan Open Land, but is part of the Canada Water Area Plan.

- 4.2 A discussion followed in which concern was expressed about the vulnerability of the site to unspecified development. Comments were made about seeking clarification of ownership; the current protected status of the site and also about investigating ways in which the site can be designated as Metropolitan Open Land in line with the rest of the Grade Two Listed park.
- 4.3 Jerry Hewitt informed the meeting that at Southwark Council Cabinet meeting on 21st September 2010, it was reported that in response to a request from the Cabinet member for Regeneration and Corporate Strategy, the Secretary of State had agreed to change a previous plan for Nursery Row Park. A similar approach could be made over the former nursery site.

Action: FoSP to seek advice on how the former nursery site may be protected through designation

5. AGM Business

Election of Officers

- 5.1 Officers for 2010/11 agreed as follows:

Chairperson: Gary Glover
Vice-chairperson: Amanda Squires
Secretary: Pat Kingwell
Treasurer: Marjorie Hill
Assistant Treasurer: Ron Henocq
Membership Secretary: To be elected

Officer Committee

- 5.2 In addition to the above-mentioned officers the following expressed interest in serving on the Committee:
- Michael Daniels
 - Kathy Hennessey
 - Jerry Hewitt
 - Sue Sexton-Figgins
 - Corinne Turner

Membership and Constitution

- 5.3 After discussion on membership and constitution it was agreed Officer Committee to review both and report back to future General meeting.

6. Sports Centre Update

- 6.1 Gary Glover reported two key events on the scheme, i.e. that the planning application had been quashed by Southwark Council and Sport England funding was now unavailable.
- 6.2 Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai reported Southwark Council's Cabinet on 21st September 2010 had resolved as follows:
- Cabinet notes the quashing of the council's planning permission for the refurbishment of the sports and athletics facilities at Southwark Park.
 - Cabinet notes the public statement of 'disappointment' by the leader of the council at this setback, and that securing an Olympic legacy for Southwark remains a priority for the council.
 - That the cabinet member for culture, leisure, sport and the Olympics makes all efforts to make a decision on the submission of a new application to allow the

possibility of the project being delivered in time for the Olympics.

7. Grounds Maintenance Issues

7.1 Nina Chantry, the Park Standards Officer, reported on various matters and received a number of questions:

- Unapproved access to the park - Amanda Squires asked if anything had been done about gates being let into the park by private houses and other neighbours. The matter had been raised a year ago but it seems as if the situation still persists.

Action: Rosie to advise on progress over this issue

- Quadron budget and mower– Jim Saunders asked if the savings being made by Quadron during the turfing works on the bowling green could be reallocated to other spend. Nina explained that the budget will have been subject to a variation order. Jim queried if a mower could be permanently located at Southwark Park.

Action: Nina to advise on progress over this issue

8. Community Outreach

8.1 Agnese Appleby has left, and as indicated above Emma Longman (0207 525 0879) is covering.

9. Any Other Business

Our Park Reminiscence Project

9.1 Pat Kingwell reported on the project, saying over 200 people had attended the book launch and exhibition and many local people had been involved, including St. Joseph's Primary (Gomm Road) and Rotherhithe Primary schools and Time and Talents. He especially thanked Marjorie Hill, Gary Magold and Debra Gosling for their work during the project.

Dangerous Cycling

9.2 It was mentioned by a number of people that cycling in the park has put pedestrians in danger, and that management should look into better control.



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**Annual General Meeting
Wednesday 19th September 2012 6.00pm at
The Park Office, near to the Cafe in Southwark Park**

Agenda

1. Apologies

Annual General Meeting

2. Notes of Annual General Meeting of 21st September 2011 and Matters Arising (attached)

3. Annual Report 2011/2012

4. Election of Officers 2012/13

4.1 Chairperson

4.2 Vice-Chairperson

4.3 Secretary

4.4 Treasurer

4.5 Assistant Treasurer

4.6 Membership Secretary

5. Election of Six (6) Committee Members

General Meeting

6. Notes of General Meeting of 18th July 2012 and Matters Arising (attached)

7. Old Nursery Meeting Update

8. Park Manager's Report

9. King's Stairs Gardens Lighting

10. Any Other Business

11. Dates of Future Meetings



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**Notes of Friends of Southwark Park Annual General Meeting
 held on 21st September 2011 at
 The Clubroom, Rear of St. Peters Church, 72 Paradise Street, SE16**

In attendance:

Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Judith Deschamps; Dave Fisher; Gary Glover; Colin Hartridge-Price;; Marjorie Hill; Pat Kingwell; Gary Magold; Jean Price; Sue Sexton; Louise Sheridan; Colin Smith; Donna Spedding; Amanda Squires; Corinne Turner; Oquo-Charlz Uvieghara; Karin Wach.

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Alison Clayburn; Nick Dunne; Lindsay Gowlett; Ron Henocq; Nick Lane; Cllr. Eliza Mann; Des Waters (London Borough of Southwark)	
2.	Notes of Annual General Meeting of 28th September 2010 The notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising	
2.1.1	Distance Markers It was requested again that markers be installed in the park to assist runners.	
2.1.2.	Tennis Court Refurbishment It was agreed to apply to Southwark Council's Cleaner, Greener, Safer fund.	
2.1.3.	Sports Centre It was reported that Southwark Council would decide about capital funding in October 2011. It was agreed to continue to press for an upgrade of the facility.	
2.1.4	Dangerous Cycling in the Park It was agreed to put on agenda for discussion at a future General meeting	Pat Kingwell
3.	Annual Report 2010/11 The Annual Report was circulated and showed the actions taken by The Friends to promote, protect, enhance and develop community partnerships over the previous year. It reported on the number of meetings held and also that The Friends were in funds. The meeting thanked Donna Spedding for her tireless work on King's Stairs Gardens and wished her well in her move.	
4.	Election of Officers Officers for 2011/12 were agreed as follows: Chairperson: Gary Glover ;Vice-chairperson: Amanda Squires; Secretary: Pat Kingwell; Treasurer: Marjorie Hill; Assistant Treasurer: Ron Henocq; Membership Secretary: Corinne Turner	

5.	Election of Six (6) Committee Members Committee Members for 2011/12 were agreed as follows: Michael Daniels; Dave Fisher; Kathy Hennessy; Christine Savory; Sue Sexton; Susan Vaughan	
6.	South East London Combined Heat and Power Proposals David Gee (Southwark Council Environment Services) attended the meeting to consult on a scheme which could potentially require the use of Southwark Park as a route for pipes in late 2012. Many questions were asked including: availability of alternative street routes; size of trenches; insulation; duration of works; restrictions on public access; impact on trees; and scale of financial compensation. A vote was taken which resulted in 4 members indicating the scheme should not be considered at all and 8 members indicating further talks should be held with Southwark Council.	
7.	Old Nursery Project Update It was reported that clearance works on the site should be completed before the end of 2011 and that the Council would then approach environmental groups for ideas about the longer-term use and management.	
8.	Any Other Business	
8.1	Unauthorised Access – Yellow House Concern was expressed about the gate into the park and it was agreed to take it up with Southwark Council.	Pat Kingwell
8.2	Bowling Green Pavilion Concern was expressed about the roof and it was agreed to take it up with Southwark Council. Gary Magold asked if a bid to the Heritage Lottery Fund might be possible.	Pat Kingwell
8.3	Hanging Baskets Andy Chatterton confirmed that funds would be found from the Parks budget for 2011/12 but thereafter, due to budget cuts, other sources of funding would have to be secured. The meeting thanked Andy for keeping the baskets going.	
8.4	Rotherhithe Caryatids The meeting thanked Gary Magold and Southwark officers for their work on securing a great benefit to the park.	
9.	Dates of Future Meetings Dates of future General meetings were agreed.	



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 Membership Secretary: Vacant

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**Notes of Friends of Southwark Park Annual General Meeting
 held on 19th September 2012 at
 The Park Office, Southwark Park**

In attendance:

Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Gerry Callanan; Jean Cunliffe; Michael Daniels; Judith Deschamps; Ivy Douglas; Dave Fisher; Gary Glover; Colin Hartridge-Price; Marjorie Hill; Sandra Jones; Katie Kelly; Pat Kingwell; Cllr. Richard Livingstone; Gary Magold; Lynn Murray (London Borough of Southwark); Andrea Pita (London Borough of Southwark); Jim Saunders; Sue Sexton-Figgins; Joanne Sinton-Hewitt; Colin Smith; Amanda Squires; Susan Vaughan.

	Item	Action
	Prior to the commencement of business Lynn Murray , the new Park Attendant, was introduced to the meeting and welcomed by all present.	
1.	Apologies Alison Clayburn; Simon Hughes M.P.; Sharon Lomas (London Borough of Southwark); Patricia Preston; Cllr. Lisa Rajan; Tracey Scales; Louise Sheridan; George Witsey.	
	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING	
2.	Notes of Annual 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 requested yet again that markers be installed in the park to assist runners.	Andy Chatterton
2.1.2.	Tennis Court Refurbishment The decision to apply to Southwark Council's Cleaner, Greener, Safer fund in 2011 had been put on hold as the Council had suspended the programme. Consideration to be given to an application to the 2012 programme.	
2.1.3.	Sports Centre Gary Glover reviewed the current position on this scheme and it was agreed to invite Tim Clee of Southwark Council to the October General meeting.	Pat Kingwell
2.1.4	Unauthorised Access – Yellow House This remains unresolved and it was agreed to ask the Enforcement to attend the October General meeting to update us.	Pat Kingwell
2.1.5	Rotherhithe Caryatids The meeting noted the Caryatids are a very fine attraction and benefit to the park.	
3.	Annual Report 2011/12 and Matters Arising The Annual Report outlined the actions taken by The Friends to promote, protect, enhance and develop community partnerships over the previous year. It reported on the number of meetings held and also that The Friends account is in funds. It was agreed to circulate copies in the Blue Anchor and Canada Water Libraries and also send to Southwark News.	Pat Kingwell

3.1	Fireworks Display It was agreed to support a display this year, but to recommend to Southwark Events that crowd dispersal is improved by opening more gates and providing more arc lights.	Pat Kingwell
3.2	Photography Project It was noted that the project had been popular and that we should consider running it again in 2013.	
3.3	Former Lodge Lower Road At a meeting with the developer he had confirmed Planning permission had been given, including an access gate into the park. Following discussion it was agreed to recommend to Parks that suitable planting be carried out to maintain the integrity of the boundary.	Andy Chatterton
3.4	King's Stairs Gardens – Queen Elizabeth 2nd Field and Queen's Jubilee Stone It was reported that the Deed of Declaration was due to signed very soon and that the Duke of Wessex will attend on 12 th November 2.30pm to unveil the plaque and also a new inscription on the Jubilee Stone. All are invited	
4.	Election of Officers Marjorie Hill announced that she was standing down as Treasurer. The meeting warmly thanked Marjorie for her work ever since the inception of The Friends in 1995. Officers for 2012/13 were agreed as follows: Chairperson: Gary Glover; Vice-chairperson: Amanda Squires; Secretary: Pat Kingwell; Treasurer: Gary Magold; Assistant Treasurer: Ron Henocq; Membership Secretary: vacant	
5.	Election of Six (6) Committee Members Committee Members for 2012/13 were agreed as follows: Michael Daniels; Dave Fisher; Marjorie Hill; Jean Cunliffe; Sue Sexton; Susan Vaughan	

**Notes of Friends of Southwark Park Annual General Meeting
held on 18th September 2013 at
The Gallery Southwark Park**

In attendance:

Present: Sharon Bassey; Roger Bilder; Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Alison Clayburn; Jean Cunliffe; Judith Deschamps; Ivy Douglas; Dave Fisher; Paul Harrison (Harrison Design-Development); Mick Hannon; Marjorie Hill; Andrew Keckwick; Pat Kingwell; Nick Lane; Cllr. Richard Livingstone; D. Mackinnon (Quadron); Gary Magold; Jean Mulholland; Max Nakrani (London Borough of Southwark) Cllr. Wilma Nelson; Lynne Olding (Quadron); Adrian Pearson (Lloyd Evans Pritchard Architects); Andrea Pita (London Borough of Southwark); Tracy Scales; Gerard Purcell; Jim Saunders; Sue Sexton; Colin Smith; Amanda Squires; P. Toal (Quadron); Susan Vaughan; George Witsey

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; William Cameron; Gary Glover; Simon Hughes, M.P.; Stephanie Lodge; Cllr. Eliza Mann; Josie Moore; Louise Sheridan	
2.	Notes of Annual General Meeting of 19th September 2012 The notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising	
2.1.1	Former Lodge Lower Road Andy Chatterton reported that suitable planting had been carried out to maintain the integrity of the boundary.	
3.	Annual Report 2012/13 and Matters Arising The Annual Report outlined the actions taken by The Friends to promote, protect, enhance and develop community partnerships over the previous year. It reported on the number of meetings held and also that The Friends account is in funds. The report was accepted and it was agreed to circulate copies in the community.	Pat Kingwell
3.1	Forest Schools It was agreed to add a reference to the Annual Report about Forest Schools.	Pat Kingwell
4.	Election of Officers Officers for 2013/14 were agreed as follows: Chairperson: Gary Glover; Vice-chairperson: Amanda Squires; Secretary: Pat Kingwell; Treasurer: Gary Magold; Assistant Treasurers: Ron Henocq and Marjorie Hill; Membership Secretary: Jean Mulholland	
5.	Election of Committee Members Committee Members for 2013/14 were agreed as follows: Sharon Bassey; Roger Bilder; Dave Fisher; Jean Cunliffe; Gerard Purcell; Sue Sexton; Susan Vaughan	
11.	Any Other Business	
11.1	West Lane Memorial Gardens Gary Magold moved a resolution that FOSP adopt the War Memorial Gardens. The resolution was seconded by Cllr. Eliza Mann and agreed nem con. The Constitution of the Friends to be amended accordingly and our intentions notified to Rebecca Towers, Head of Parks and Barrie Hargrove, the Cabinet Member for Environment.	Pat Kingwell



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**Notes of Friends of Southwark Park Annual General Meeting
Held on Thursday 18th September 2014
The Tri Space Gallery, N001 The Biscuit Factory
Drummond Rd, SE16 4DG**

Present: Jane Abraham; Henry Abraham; Rose Ades; Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Sharon Bassey; Mark Bean; Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Alison Clayburn; Alizon Cleal; Jean Cunliffe; Judith Deschamps; Barry Duckett; Jan Duckett; Geoffrey Edwards; Jim Estall; Dave Fisher; Peter Gazey; Gary Glover; Marjorie Hill; Delamare Hughes; Simon Hughes, M.P.; Jill Jerram; Pat Kingwell; Gary Magold; Rene Magold; John Mannering; Pam Miller; Stewart Morgan; Jean Mulholland; Wilma Nelson; Kate Nottidge; Andrea Pita (London Borough of Southwark); Jim Saunders; Tracy Scales; Sue Sexton; Colin Smith; Roger Squires; Rich Wale; Brenda Watkinson; George Witsey

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Clare Armstrong; Roger Bilder; Denise Capstick; Tim Clee (London Borough of Southwark); Cllr. Stephanie Cryan; Colin Hartridge-Price; Ron Henocq; Nick Lane; Lyn Murray; Lynne Olding; Cllr. Lisa Rajan; Nicky Rathbone; Louise Sheridan; Amanda Squires; Sheila Taylor; Paul Toal; and Cllr Kath Whittam	
2.	Notes of Annual General Meeting of 18th September 2013 The notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising There were no matters arising.	
3.	Annual Report 2013/14 and Matters Arising The Annual Report outlined the actions taken by The Friends to promote, protect, enhance and develop community partnerships over the previous year. It reported on the number of meetings held and also that The Friends account is in funds. Jill Jerram asked for clarification on who operates the boats on the lake. The report was accepted.	
4.	Election of Officers Officers for 2014/15 were agreed as follows: Chairperson: Gary Glover; Vice-chairperson: Amanda Squires; Secretary: Pat Kingwell; Treasurer: Gary Magold; Assistant Treasurers: Ron Henocq and Marjorie Hill; Membership Secretary: Jean Mulholland	
5.	Election of Committee Members Committee Members for 2014/15 were agreed as follows: Sharon Bassey; Barry Duckett; Dave Fisher; Jean Cunliffe; John Reid and Sue Sexton.	
6.	Any Other Business None	

Attachment 1

Notes of Friends of Southwark Park Annual General Meeting Held on Wednesday 16^h September 2015 at The Park Office

Present: Sharon Bassey; Andy Chatterton (London Borough of Southwark); Alison Clayburn; Cllr. Stephanie Cryan; Jean Cunliffe; Barry Duckett; Dave Fisher; Gary Glover; Marjorie Hill; Jill Jerram; Simon Kenward; Pat Kingwell; Denis McMillan; Pam Miller; Jean Mulholland; Andrea Pita (London Borough of Southwark); Tracy Scales; Sue Sexton; Colin Smith; Amanda Squires; Julie Webb and Cllr. Bill Williams

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies Cllr. Anood Al-Samerai; Clare Armstrong; Judith Carlton; Judith Deschamps; Jan Duckett; Rt. Hon. Simon Hughes, M.P.; Jim and Stephanie Lodge; Gary Magold; Helena Norval and Nicky Rathbone	
2.	Notes of Annual General Meeting of 18th September 2014 The notes were agreed as a true record.	
2.1	Matters Arising There were no matters arising.	
3.	Annual Report 2014/15 and Matters Arising The Annual Report outlined the actions taken by The Friends to promote, protect, enhance and develop community partnerships over the previous year. It reported on the number of meetings held and also that The Friends account is in funds. The Annual report was accepted.	
3.1	Gary Glover commented on the large amount of work carried out over the year and thanked everybody for their support and contributions.	
3.2	Alison Clayburn asked if out-of-date information could be removed from the website, which was agreed.	Pat Kingwell
4.	Election of Officers Officers for 2015/16 were agreed as follows: Chairperson: Gary Glover; Vice-chairperson: Amanda Squires; Secretary: Pat Kingwell; Treasurer: Gary Magold; Assistant Treasurer: Marjorie Hill; Membership Secretary: Jean Mulholland	
	Election of Committee Members Committee Members for 2015/16 were agreed as follows: Sharon Bassey; Jean Cunliffe; Barry Duckett; Dave Fisher; Denis McMillan and Sue Sexton.	
6.	Any Other Business None	