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**General Meeting**  
**Wednesday 28th February 2018**  
**6.00pm at the Canada Water Tenants Hall**

#### **Agenda**

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Agreement of minutes of General Meeting of 17th January 2018**
- 3. Matters Arising - (attachment 1)**
- 4. Standing Agenda Items**
- 5. Park Manager's Report**
- 6. Bowling Club Update**
- 7. West Lane Memorial Garden Issues**
- 8. King's Stairs Gardens Issues**
- 9. King George's Field Issues**
- 10. Key Projects Update – (attachment 2)**
- 11. Planning Matters Update - (attachment 3)**
- 12. Any Other Business**
- 13. Dates of Future Meetings**
- 14. Closed Items**

**Attachment 1**

**Notes of Friends of Southwark Park  
General Meeting  
Held on Wednesday 17th January 2018**

**Present:** Barry Duckett (Chairperson); Sharon Bassey (Vice Chairperson); Nicola Cheetham (London Borough of Southwark); Janet Duckett; Dave Fisher; Sallie Rickerby (Secretary); Alison Clayburn; Marjorie Hill (Assistant Treasurer); Simon Kenward (Treasurer); Andrea Pita (London Borough of Southwark); Jerry Hewitt; Miyoko Sasai; Jim Saunders; Stephanie Kenwood; Mike Krotosky; Cllr Kath Whittam; George Whitney; Jill Gibbs; James Tierney; Stewart Morgan;

	<b>Item</b>	<b>Action</b>
1.	<b>Apologies for 17th January 2018</b> Andy Chatterton; Cllr Bill Williams; Denis McMillan; Cllr Niky Rathbone; Sue Sexton; Jean Cunliffe; Amanda Bryant; Cllr Steph Cryan; Miles Price; Pat Kingwell; Eliza Mann; Simon Hughes; Valerie Hodson; Josie Moore	<b>Apologies 28/02/18</b> Sallie Rickerby Simon Kenward
2.	<b>Notes of General Meeting of 16<sup>th</sup> November 2017</b> The notes were agreed as a true record. <b>Notes of General Meeting of 17<sup>th</sup> January 2018 to agree</b> Standing agenda items and closed items agenda item 13 to be agreed.	
<b>3.00</b>	<b>Matters Arising</b>	
<b>3.01</b>	<b>Cyclists</b> Last month there were several incidents involving speeding cyclists. The Chair has raised this with the Council.	
<b>3.02</b>	<b>Open Garden Squares Weekend</b> OGSW would like to include Southwark park in its programme as a public space with a noteworthy garden, e.g. the Ada Salter Garden. The Park would appear in the Guidebook for the weekend, Open Garden Squares website and promoted in order to attract visitors. The Trust sells tickets to OGSW and the money supports the Trust's work in protecting the historic parks, gardens, and green spaces in London. The Ecology Park at Stave Hill and Lavender Pond are participants are always very popular and are described as part of the Docklands area. Sites are asked to display banners advertising the event and OGSW supply the banners. Would the members support the Park being included in OGSW? If so, as OGSW have an agenda in place for 2018, the Park could be put forward for the 2019 programme?	
<b>3.03</b>	<b>Southwark Greenspace Forum:</b> Southwark's proposed Plan is out for final consultation <b>until 27 February</b> . Comments submitted will be considered by an independent planning inspector who will hold hearings (Evidence in Public) later this year. The link to Southwark Council's webpage on the consultation on the New Southwark Plan Submission Version is: <a href="https://www.southwark.gov.uk/planning-and-building-control/planning-policy-and-transport-policy/development-plan/local-plan?chapter=4">https://www.southwark.gov.uk/planning-and-building-control/planning-policy-and-transport-policy/development-plan/local-plan?chapter=4</a>	
<b>3.04</b>	<b>South London Jazz Orchestra;</b> The band have contacted FoSP to ask if we would consider using them for a concert - waiting for the band to revert with costs.	
<b>4.00</b>	<b>Standing Agenda Items</b>	
<b>4.01</b>	<b>Community Council Neighbourhood Fund 2018</b> application submitted.	
<b>4.02</b>	<b>Cleaner Greener Safer Programme 2018</b> application submitted - Funding for fold up chairs has been granted. The Chair suggested that the 150 chairs could be stored in Canada Water Tenants Hall. - Funding granted for cricket club nets.	
<b>4.03</b>	<b>Fund Raising</b> Emails sent to Southwark Council; Anne Whyte, Events Manager, for a 2018 calendar of agreed and potential events; Max Healey/Sue Russo; Film Unit, to discuss FoSP funding; Paul Cowell; fireworks and other events.	<b>Nicola Cheetham to follow up with Anne Whyte and Paul Cowell</b>

	<p><b>Agreed by members that fund raising is a key message for 2018.</b></p> <p><b>Agreed by members to ask for donations for filming and any other contractors who use the Park for commercial ventures.</b></p> <p>Parks Manager will supply a breakdown of Park users, how much is being charged and where does the funding is spent.</p>	
<b>4.04</b>	<p><b>Treasurer's Report</b></p> <p>At the 31/12/2016 the bank balance was £7674.08, at the 31/12/2017 it was £6729.50.</p>	
<b>5.00</b>	<b>Park Manager's Report – January 2018 Meeting</b>	
<b>5.01</b>	<p><b>Dolphin Fountain</b></p> <p>It was suggested that 7<sup>th</sup> July would be a good date to celebrate the artwork being moved to the Park.</p>	<p><b>Janet Duckett</b>  <b>Nicola Cheetham</b>  <b>Amanda Squires</b></p>
<b>5.02</b>	<p><b>Park Infrastructure</b></p> <p>Replacement of dog waste bins and old-style litter bins planned on south side of Park (subject to funding)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Field in Trust sign will be laid in the ground as part of the new projects</li> <li>· Gates have been checked and fixed</li> <li>· Sports pitches not suitable for play after recent heavy rain – Parks team will work with Sports team to see if rotation is a plan for the future, taking account of planned cricket improvements</li> <li>· A temp wicker sculpture is proposed by a local school</li> </ul>	
<b>5.03</b>	<p><b>Kings Stairs Gardens</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Still waiting for confirmation of tree planting</li> <li>· Quote to repair cobbled path to Church requested</li> <li>· Repair of highway sign has been chased</li> </ul>	
<b>5.04</b>	<p><b>Feedback from event</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Dementia-friendly walk in Sept was successful so more are planned for Dementia awareness week 21-27 May and SP is to be used again</li> </ul>	
<b>5.05</b>	<p><b>Landscape management</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Plan to mulch round trees</li> <li>· Plan to try reseeding in shaded areas in spring</li> <li>· Hope to do management works to pond and nature area and laying of hedges, including works by volunteers</li> <li>· New bird boxes and checks on existing boxes ordered</li> </ul>	
<b>6.00</b>	<b>Bowling Club Update</b>	
<b>6.01</b>	Conifer tree has not been felled – see 14.06	<b>Open</b>
<b>7.00</b>	<b>West Lane Memorial Garden Issues</b>	
<b>8.00</b>	<b>King's Stairs Gardens Issues</b>	
<b>9.00</b>	<b>King George's Field Issues</b>	
<b>9.01</b>	<b>Drains – Continuing problems with the drains even after clearing</b>	<b>Open</b>
<b>9.02</b>	<b>Beer drinkers - It has been noticed that beer drinkers are often in the children's playground. Nicola will raise with the Council.</b>	<b>Open</b>
<b>10.00</b>	<p><b>Key Projects Update – Attachment 2</b></p> <p>A table of key projects with any applicable updates</p>	
<b>10.01</b>	<p><b>Southwark Park New Café – Attachment 2</b></p> <p>Construction of new park office and café to start later in spring, followed by landscape improvements to old nursery/fish farm and current office area</p>	<b>Nicola Cheetham</b>
<b>10.02</b>	<b>Southwark Athletics Building - Attachment 2</b>	
<b>10.03</b>	<p><b>Children's Play area - Attachment 2</b></p> <p>Work has now commenced and completion expected end of March.</p>	<b>Nicola Cheetham</b>
<b>10.04</b>	<p><b>Scout Hut Redevelopment</b></p> <p>Mizen will consider sponsoring all year round hanging baskets. Are there other projects that Mizen could sponsor?</p>	<b>Open</b>
<b>11.00</b>	<p><b>Planning Matters Update – Attachment 3</b></p> <p>A table of current planning applications attached to the agenda.</p>	

<b>12.00</b>	<b>Any Other Business</b>	
<b>13.00</b>	<b>Dates of Future Meeting 2018</b> 21 <sup>st</sup> March 2018, 18 <sup>th</sup> April 2018, 16 <sup>th</sup> May 2018, 20 <sup>th</sup> June 2018, 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2018 <b>Wednesdays 6.00pm at The Park Office unless otherwise notified.</b>	
<b>14.00</b>	<b>Closed Items January Meeting</b>	
<b>14.01</b>	<b>Committee member resignation</b> – After a long and dedicated time on the committee, Pat Kingwell has resigned as Project Manager. It is with great sadness that we say goodbye to Pat and we would like to thank him for all his time and knowledge given to the FoSP over many years.	<b>Closed</b>
<b>14.02</b>	<b>Southwark Council Events Manager Fireworks Report</b> Members discussed the 2017 firework evening and the Council will take into account the feedback from the meeting and consult with the stakeholders to minimise disruption from the closure of the south end of the Park when planning for 2018. Paul Cowell will join us to update members on 2018 events year e.g. film units and any special events such as Ninjas, pop up screens etc that might impact the Park users.	<b>Closed</b>
<b>14.03</b>	<b>Removal of Historic Cobbles from Brydale House</b> Are the cobbles still available to recycle and if so, can the Park use them? None available for upcycling.	<b>Closed</b>
<b>14.04</b>	<b>Filming Application</b> Due to short notice, the Exec Committee have given approval. Max Healy will attend a meeting to discuss FoSP receiving direct funding from film events.	<b>Closed</b>
<b>14.05</b>	<b>London Bikeathon</b> The London Bikeathon is one of London’s oldest charity cycle rides and their aims are to hold a successful event with between 800 – 1,300 cyclists who will take on either a 26 mile or 52 mile route around London. Bloodwise hopes to raise £150,000 from this event which will be used to improve the lives of blood cancer patients. On <u>Sunday 2nd September 2018</u> , they plan to host the London Bikeathon from Southwark Park which. will act as the start and finish location and there will also be an area where riders can relax after the ride with family and friends. The site will open to participants at 8am, with riders setting off at 9am and 10am. Riders will depart from Southwark park via Jamaica Gate. Pennine Events are to assist in the delivery of the 2018 London Bikeathon. <b>Members agreed to host this event.</b>	<b>Closed</b>
<b>14.06</b>	<b>Bowling Club Tree Removal</b> – The Tree services team have agreed that a conifer tree needs to be removed as it is affecting the bowling green, as advised by an independent turf expert. Its removal will also allow the ginkgo tree to flourish. The need for additional planting will be assessed when the conifer has been removed.	<b>Closed</b>
<b>14.07</b>	<b>Muteesa Monument</b> – members formally noted that both the Mayflower and Canada Estate Tenants Associations have agreed that they do not want plaques or statues in the community areas.	<b>Closed</b>
<b>14.08</b>	<b>Park Manager’s Report</b> <b>Park Furniture</b> Some signs have been installed and others have been ordered. The Fields in Trust sign has yet to be installed. The mosaic wall of café was suggested as a location, or a wall of the new café or in the ground near the entrance – members will wait for the new building to be completed to make the final decision. Seats have been requested near the tennis courts and some old bins need replacing – subject to funding. Additional interpretation boards are in the CGS bid	<b>Closed</b>
<b>14.09</b>	<b>Garden Maintenance</b> Cherry Garden needs leaves removing and the paving needs maintenance – leaves have been removed and pavers fixed. The lake is stagnant and smells and needs cleaning - fountain is now working and looking at ways to clean the lake.	<b>Closed</b>
<b>14.10</b>	<b>Cycle Gates Gomm Road</b> – Cycling Without Age have raised a problem with the cycle barriers as they do not allow tricycles which have been specially made for dementia and mobility restricted riders, to pass through. Nicola commented that the barriers do not comply with equality regulations and they need to be changed. The Chair advised that Cllr Richard Livingstone can advise on accessibility. Council have approved replacement gates and need to investigate gates that will be compliant for mobility persons and still exclude cyclists.	<b>Closed</b>
<b>14.11</b>	<b>Speeding cyclists</b> – members commented on the number of cyclists who ride dangerously at speed through the Park. This is to be raised at the Council Assembly.	<b>See 3.01</b>

14.12	<p><b>Amendment to minutes – wrongly recorded in November minutes as King Stairs Gardens and should have read King Georges Field</b></p> <p><b>Beer drinkers</b> - It has been noticed that beer drinkers are often in the children's playground. Nicola will raise with the Council.</p>	See 9.02
14.13	<p><b><u>Any Other Business</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>British Legion Fun Run – <u>Members agreed to host run as in previous years</u></b></li> <li>- <b>Neptune Park – <u>Members agreed to adopt the gated Neptune Park and introduce plantings to improve the grounds.</u></b></li> <li>- Dog owners are not picking up waste in Spa Gardens.</li> <li>- King Georges Field yellow locks need changing to gold locks as members of the public have their own yellow keys and are entering during closed hours.</li> <li>- The Chair received a £175 donation which will be used to promote FoSP at the Rotherhithe Festival.</li> <li>- <b>Community Infrastructure Levy CIL106 – FoSP are to join as an independent group to add projects to CIL106. <u>Members agreed that retaining the Old Café is to be put forward as a project for CIL106.</u></b></li> </ul>	Closed

## Attachment 2 - Key Projects Update – February 2018

	<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Current Position</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Southwark Park south-western boundary improvements</b> October 2014 - Agreed that boundary improvements were needed.	The Maydew Project Team are designing a new Park entrance & boundary planting. November 2017 - Nicola has confirmed that planning permission does not include a new gate or pathway and has noted that FoSP, as well as the Council, are not happy with the proposed entrance presented by the developers
<b>2</b>	<b>Southwark Park Sports Centre</b> A major refurbishment scheme and additional works to include landscaping. As a second phase the changing rooms will be improved, including remodelling of the internal areas of the building.	The second phase building refurbishment planning application is taking longer than was expected. Southwark Athletics Building: November 2017 - Council need to appoint a design team to submit a planning application by Spring 2018
<b>3</b>	<b>Southwark Park New Café</b> In 2013 the Council's CGS Programme awarded FOSP funds to develop a plan to improve the café, toilet and office provision. Capital funding £1,650m has been secured and following public consultation the intention is to proceed with a re-location of café and office near the lake.	February 2018 – Work is to commence 12 March 2018
<b>4</b>	<b>Southwark Park Old Nursery</b> In 2013 the Council's CGS Programme awarded FOSP funds to develop a plan to bring the Old Nursery site back into Park use. Capital funding £817,899 has been secured.	Kinnear Landscape Architects have developed a plan for the site. This is seven months behind schedule which is due to giant hogweed contamination. November 2017 - To commence once café and Park office are occupied, after Autumn 2018
<b>5</b>	<b>Southwark Park Current Café Building</b> Once the new café is in place it was proposed to demolish the existing building	FOSP asked that the design for the area ensures good boundary treatment with Gomm Road residences.
<b>6</b>	<b>Children's Play Area</b> The Council have identified Southwark Park playground as a priority for potential funding and investment - capital bid of £500,000 for this project.	February 2018 - Work has commenced and to be completed by March.
<b>7</b>	<b>Scout Hut Redevelopment</b> Mizen Group are to demolish the Scout Hut and replace with residential units – 6 storeys, 8 apartments & widen the pavement.	October 2017 – To start in December 2017 for completion Spring 2019.

### Attachment 3 - Planning Update – Current Cases

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

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