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General Meeting

Thursday 16th November 2017

6.00pm at the Park Office, Southwark Park

Agenda

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Notes of General Meeting of 18th October 2017**
- 3. Matters Arising (attachment 1)**
- 4. Park Manager's Report**
- 5. Key Projects Update – (attachment 2)**
- 6. Bowling Club Update**
- 7. West Lane Memorial Garden Issues**
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- 13. Closed Items**

Attachment 1

**Notes of Friends of Southwark Park
General Meeting
Held on Wednesday 18th October 2017**

Present: Barry Duckett (Chairperson); Sharon Bassey (Vice Chairperson); Cllr Bill Williams; Denis McMillan; Andrea Pita (London Borough of Southwark); Nicola Cheetham (London Borough of Southwark); Dave Fisher; Sallie Rickerby; Alison Clayburn; Marjorie Hill; Pat Kingwell; Simon Kenward; Barry Marsh; Justin Tracey; Jerry Hewitt; Miyoko Sasai; Jim Saunders; J. Mannering; Judy Feasey; Mike Krotosky

	Item	Action
1.	Apologies for 18th October 2017 Cllr. Sunny Lambe; Andy Chatterton; Cllr Kath Whittaker; Cllr. Steph Cryan; Cllr Kirby; Cllr Anood Al-Samerai; Bridget Galloway	November Apologies Andrea Pita, Sharon Bassey, Pat Kingwell
2.	Notes of General Meeting of 20th September 2017 The notes were agreed as a true record (included closed items agenda 13).	
3.00	Matters Arising	
3.01 New	Southwark Council Events Manager Report Review of 2017 firework evening and feedback and views on the closure of the southern end of the park. Also, Southwark Park events in general and what direction they are taking such as the number and types of events planned for the forthcoming year e.g. film units and any special events such as Ninjas, pop up screens etc.	Paul Cowell
3.02 Update	Key Projects Presentation and Updates 20/10/17 email sent to Hemali and the response; Is there consideration for equipment for children with special needs in the new playground design? <i>The mobility roundabout which is currently in the playground will remain and this will be raised with the landscape architect for consideration.</i> Could the water fountain be upgraded with mosaics? <i>This is a possibility, however as previously stated there is no budget to carry out works to the fountain.</i> Is there still a Project Board meeting for regular updates? <i>There have been no significant updates to report on, as the projects in the park progress we can look to set one up.</i>	
3.03	Maydew House Development – Farrer Huxley Associates Gates/materials match style in park e.g. Gomm Road gates & Dilston Grove entrance (130 years old) must be retained as now. Nicola has confirmed that planning permission does not include a new gate or pathway and has noted that FoSP are not happy with the proposed entrance presented by the developers. 8/10/17 A member has been told that the developers are not going to upgrade the entrance and we have written to the architects for confirmation.	Pat Kingwell Nicola Cheetham Elizabeth Flower Haworth Tompkins Architects
3.04 Update	Community Council Neighbourhood Fund 2018 application submitted. Cllr Williams suggested the 2018 applications be sent as separate bids. This can help with bids being approved and therefore, Pat Kingwell has submitted 3 bids as agreed i.e. – Southwark Park interpretation boards (19.2k); Southwark Park bandstand chairs (2.25k) and King George’s Field Headstone Restoration (10k). It was agreed that for advertising, posters are a better option than flyers. Pat Kingwell and Denis McMillan are to itemise the Tennis Day bid	Pat Kingwell Barry Duckett Denis McMillan
3.05	Cleaner Greener Safer Programme 2018 application submitted	Pat Kingwell

<p>3.06 New</p>	<p>Southwark Park Cricket Club; Agreement on installation of cricket nets and pitch. Email from Martin Kovats asking for support from FoSP. ‘The site of the net has been agreed with Nicola Cheetham and David White. The plan is also supported by the English Cricket Board (following a site visit to the Park) who want SPCC to pull together a long term development plan for cricket in the Park. This could include the realigning the artificial pith and cutting a couple of grass wickets (so league cricket can be played in SP), as well as plans to develop the youth programme. I have applied for CGS funding. The nets will cost just under the CGS maximum of £30K and I hope Miles will make a contribution. The plan is for a two lane net in Location 3 on the attached plan, 30 x 10m, surrounded by a low (1m) fence. The installation will have a significant impact, which we have tried to minimise. However, it will strengthen the identity of the cricket pitch without taking space away from other organised sports, it will also support the treeline between the 2 zones. Most importantly is that it is vital for cricket development by allowing kids and adult to develop their skills safely, when they want and at no cost. There is endorsement from the ECB and the Last Man Stands league.</p>	<p>Martin Kovats</p>
<p>4.00</p>	<p>Park Manager’s Report – October Meeting</p>	
<p>4.01</p>	<p>Dolphin Fountain This item has been reopened and Nicola and Amanda are working together on ideas for an opening ceremony to celebrate the artwork being tracked down and taken out of long term storage for park users to enjoy.</p>	<p>Nicola Cheetham Amanda Squires</p>
<p>4.02</p>	<p><u>Park furniture</u> Some signs have been installed and others have been ordered. The Fields in Trust signs have yet to be installed. Waiting in the office for FoSP to confirm locations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Southwark Park – on mosaic wall of café, then wall of new café • King Stairs Gardens – set in grounds near the entrance (a sign already exists near the river) <p>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</p>	<p>Open</p>
<p>4.03</p>	<p>Volunteer works Andrew Robinson is Quadron idverde’s volunteer co-ordinator and will attend a later FoSP meeting. Volunteers and nature conservation; Sharon has been invited to a meeting about further volunteer works; there’s plenty of scope for working in the nature area and lakes and islands Park Manager’s CGS bids will include a jetty for pond-dipping in the nature area</p>	<p>For closure</p>
<p>4.04</p>	<p><u>General Maintenance;</u> Left hand side of Morton Gate has been broken Base of street lamps are corroded in the driveway and need attention Is there an update on the LED replacement lights for the driveway? Hedges and fences have been broken down by The Lodge</p>	<p>Open</p>
<p>4.05 Update</p>	<p>Memorial seat; A mother has requested to fund a memorial seat close to the Dilston entrance (near the Bede centre) in remembrance of her son, a Bede student. This must be a metal seat and would be maintained for 10 years by the Council. Members voted to have this agreed. It was previously agreed by the members that there would be no memorials in the park. This needs to be reviewed, addressed and then formally agreed.</p>	<p>Open</p>
<p>4.06</p>	<p><u>King George’s Field</u> Drains – Barry reported continuing problems with the drains Pathways – Maintenance work to begin 30/10/17 (Post meeting note –</p>	<p>Open</p>

	rescheduled to start 08/11/17) Hedges - Are the hedges too high in KGF?	
5.00	Key Projects Update – Attachment 2 A table of key projects given as an attachment to the agenda. See attachment 2 for updates	
5.01 Update	Southwark Park New Café – Attachment 2 Council have appointed Roof contractors for detail planning. It is anticipated to be a six month build and finished by Autumn 2018.	Pat Kingwell
5.02 Update	Southwark Athletics Building - Attachment 2 The Council need to appoint a design team to submit a planning application by Spring 2018.	Pat Kingwell
5.03 Update	Children’s Play area - Attachment 2 To commence January 2018 and be completed by March 2018	Pat Kingwell
5.04	Scout Hut Redevelopment Mizen Group are to demolish the Scout Hut and replace with residential units – 6 storeys, 8 apartments, widen the pavement and will start in December 2017 for completion Spring 2019. Boundary issues - how much park is to be used is to be discussed. Is there a tree consultant report? Mizen to supply a 24 hour contact. Mizen will consider sponsoring all year round hanging baskets.	Open
6.	Bowling Club Update	
6.01	New entrance – current entrance and notice board are at the back of the club and difficult to see. Members are reviewing relocation of the entrance and notice board to be more visible and for easier access.	Open
7.	West Lane Memorial Garden Issues	
8.00	King’s Stairs Gardens Issues Nicola had met Amanda and Daniel on site to discuss works needed, including the following:	
8.01 Update	Dead oak tree by Light 32 needs removing & Nicola is to follow up with Gary Meadowcroft to check if this has now been taken away.	Nicola Cheetham
8.02 Update	Pathways and Locks at St Peters Church Mick Hannon of St. Peter’s Church has enquired about progress on rectifying the dangerous path near the social club and also the provision of suitable locks for security. Regrettably an older person has fallen on the path recently. These matters were first raised with Andy Chatterton some time back, but remain unresolved. Nicola to update FoSP in November.	Nicola Cheetham
8.03	Wild meadow This will be reviewed as part of the site meeting re volunteering opportunities. The meadow could be a community based project with assistance from Michael Daniels.	For closure
8.04	Interpretation Board KSG needs a board for visitor information and maps. This is on the Park Manager’s CGS application.	For closure
8.05	Angel Pub walkways Cyclists use the pavements which is dangerous for pedestrians. Are there funds for a cycle consultant to investigate and advise on a solution?	Nicola Cheetham
9.00	King George’s Field Issues	
10.	Planning Matters Update – Attachment 3 A table of current planning applications attached to the agenda.	
11.00	Any Other Business –	

11.01	Dog Free area – Other local parks have a dedicated dog free area, should this be introduced in Southwark Park? This is to be reviewed as part of the master plan at the next Executive committee.	Open
12.	Dates of Future Meeting 2017 17 th January 2017, 21 st February 2018, 21 st March 2017, 18 th April 2017, 16 th May 2017, 20 th June 2017, 18 th July 2017 Wednesdays 6.00pm at The Park Office unless otherwise notified.	
13.	Closed Items October Meeting	
13.01	AGM; Additional information added to Annual Report for Southwark parkrun and Southwark Athletics club.	Agreed & Closed
13.02	AGM; Additional September AGM items for ratification; Barry Duckett accepted as Chairperson and Janet Duckett, Jerry Hewitt, Miyoko Sasai and Barry Marsh as Committee Members. Also, Gary Glover emailed ‘I’m really sorry I won’t make tonight’s meeting, it’s been a great achievement what the friends have achieved over the last 21 years and a pleasure to have been involved. Please pass on my best wishes to the members and pass on my apologies for this evenings meeting. I will be still be a member and hope the friends go on from strength to strength.’	Agreed & Closed
13.03	Firework Display; Discussed in September Park Manager’s report & details have now been sent for FoSP review. Andrea Pita asked members for volunteers to help on the night.	Closed
13.04	Southwark Park - Paradise Gate Drains - A drainage survey of part of Southwark Park has been completed and one drain was unblocked.	Closed
13.05	Everyone was concerned about the damage caused by the Ninja event but the reinstatement works have been successful.	Closed
13.06	Discussions continue regarding the use of the park by film units when not actually filming in the park - this is valuable income for the Council	Closed
13.07	Storage containers in the office compound have been made available to FoSP and sports clubs	Closed
13.08	Debra and Pat made the office reception look more inviting for visitors to come and browse the park literature.	Closed
13.09	Phil Jones has been commissioned to conduct an independent review of the cycle barriers at/near the Gomm Road entrance. Any recommendations could be implemented when the proposed Quietway is implemented on the carriageway	Closed
13.10	A useful meeting was held between FoSP reps and David White in the Sports team to discuss ideas for sports development	Closed
13.11	KSG Small Logs - Agreement to reopen the issue of the small logs being used as steps to access back gardens. KSG would like them removed.	Closed
13.12	KSG Cathay Grass tree replacement - The oak tree is being replaced and will go in this winter.	Closed
13.13	AOB – Members were reminded of Bede’s AGM on November 9, 6pm at Bede Centre.	Closed

Attachment 2 - Key Projects Update – November 2017

	Project Description	Current Position
1	<p>Southwark Park south-western boundary improvements October 2014 we agreed that boundary improvements were needed.</p>	<p>The Maydew Project Team are designing a new park entrance & boundary planting. October 2017 - Is the gate being built?</p>
2	<p>Southwark Park Sports Centre 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.</p>	<p>The second phase building refurbishment planning application is taking longer than was expected. Southwark Athletics Building: October 2017 - Demolition of existing building. Start rebuilding end of 2018</p>
3	<p>Southwark Park New Café In 2013 the Council's CGS Programme awarded FOSP funds to develop a plan to improve the café, toilet and office provision. Capital funding £1,650m has been secured and following public consultation the intention is to proceed with a re-location of café and office near the lake.</p>	<p>To cut down on costs the building is lower, office windows have been removed and it will be built with blockwork and white brick and not concrete:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contractor starts November 2017 • Works completed by May 2018 <p>20/08/17 FoSP have asked to review the final plans. October 2017 Start building 2018 and completed by Autumn.</p>
4	<p>Southwark Park Old Nursery In 2013 the Council's CGS Programme awarded FOSP funds to develop a plan to bring the Old Nursery site back into park use. Capital funding £817,899 has been secured.</p>	<p>Kinnear Landscape Architects have developed a plan for the site. This is seven months behind schedule which is due to giant hogweed contamination. October 2017 To commence once café and Park office are occupied, after Autumn 2018</p>
5	<p>Southwark Park Current Café Building Once the new café is in place it was proposed to demolish the existing building</p>	<p>FOSP asked that the design for the area ensures good boundary treatment with Gomm Road residences.</p>
6	<p>Children's Play Area The Council have identified Southwark Park playground as a priority for potential funding and investment - capital bid of £500,000 for this project.</p>	<p>At concept and consultation stage October 2017 To start January 2018 and completed by March.</p>

Attachment 3 - Planning Update – Current Cases

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

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