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General Meeting
Wednesday 19th November 2014
6.00pm at the Park Office

Agenda

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Notes of General Meeting of 15th October and Matters Arising (attached)**
- 3. Southwark Park Sports Centre Update - Tim Clee**
- 4. Old Nursery Master Plan Update – Max Nakrani**
- 5. Cycling in Southwark Park – Andy Chatterton/John Reid**
- 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 Basse; 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 Unightly 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 <p>Subsequent to the meeting Amanda Squires confirmed she had re-submitted the previously agreed Cathay/Fulford Thames Path scheme.</p>	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!!	
14.	Dates of Future Meetings 2014/15 - All 6.00pm at The Park Office unless otherwise notified 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	