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

Agenda

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Notes of General Meeting of 18th September 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. Improving Southwark Park’s south-western boundary – Pat Kingwell**
- 7. Park Manager’s Report – Andy Chatterton**
- 8. Cleaner Greener Safer Programme 2015**
- 9. Bowling Club Update**
- 10. West Lane War Memorial Issues**
- 11. King’s Stairs Gardens Issues**
- 12. Planning Matters Update**
- 13. Any Other Business**
- 14. Dates of Future Meetings**

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 Maydeu 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.	