Shoreham Beach Residents' Association - Minutes of meeting

The following is a summary of the minutes of the August/September SBRA Committee Meeting on 28 August 2025 at the Harbour Club. These were approved at the October meeting.

Minutes of meeting held on 2 July 2025 - Committee members agreed the minutes were an accurate representation of the meeting. Proposed by JW and seconded by JM.

Matters arising - Bus Service – WSCC have declined the petition PH had organised as the cost is too high c. £20000.00 as there is no funding. The petition has been sent to Tom Rutland MP and he is meeting Brighton & Hove Buses. There may be a possibility of re-routing some buses.

Beach News and Website - Approx 2,400 copies of Beach News were delivered successfully. Envelopes for subscriptions were also included.

Social report (also see councillor's reports) - No volunteers have come forward for the role of Social secretary.
JWa has suggested a Christmas event, possibly on the Beach side. Date to be agreed before any actions can be added.

Financial report – Accounts were circulated by VV.

FJL reported as follows, in writing:
Summer updates: It's been a long, sunny summer but the bins have held up well. I've written and thanked the refuse manager for putting out seasonal bins.
Anti-social behaviour and speeding: I've had more complaints about public drug taking/dealing following the Bank Holiday weekend. There have been fresh calls for action regarding speeding traffic, particularly at Beach Green.
Leonard Cheshire home at 27 Beach Green – I attended a meeting, at the family's request, with LC, WSCC and a member of staff from Tom Rutland's office.
I've written to the Chair of the Board of Trustees at LC expressing the community's anger and upset at their decision, asking if they'll reconsider. The building was gifted to LC by a King's Walk resident in his Will.
Noise complaints: There were a few noise complaints from the music festival on Adur Rec at the end of last month. The organisers did monitor the levels and say they weren't breached.

Public toilets – Ongoing issues reported regarding the loos at Beach Green and the Fort. I requested deep cleans but the BG toilets are pretty much beyond repair!
VJ Day – Julia and I both attended the commemorative event at the Shoreham Centre. I was heartened to see that a small ceremony was organised, after I raised the lack of planning at JOSC back in the Spring.

JW reported:
Trees - I've applied for a planting licence from WSCC to plant 8 trees. Updates awaited.
Gardening group - We have mostly been watering over the last month. One of the trees looks like it might not survive but the other 3 are hanging on. We will do some more planting in the autumn to hopefully establish plants before next year.
Oyster pickers/campers - We have had several complaints that people have been camping overnight and barbequing at the small beach next to the Fort (also belongs to SPA) and on the beach opposite Kings Walk. It may be that it would be helpful to include 'no overnight camping' on the Adur signs. We will discuss with the cabinet member for the environment Andy Harvey.
Also, the boulders are not yet in place to stop people parking on the nature reserve and JWa has asked the EA to do this once the shingle move takes place.
Adur Ferry Bridge surface repairs - The surfacing of the bridge is being waterproofed and repaired from 8 September. No news on the replacement of the damaged panels.
Devolution - I attend the regular devolution update meetings. The general theme seems to be that the plan is progressing terribly slowly given that it is only 2 and half years away from a totally new Council.
Paul Brewer was asked directly if there were to be district council elections next year and he confirmed that at the minute these were going ahead.
FoSB - FoSB ran a very well attended shoreline exploration event on 18 August. We engaged Marine Zoologist Steve Savage and our own Chris Bohea to display and explain sea creatures and plants to the attendees.

Meeting ended 8.20pm.