SHOREHAM BEACH RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Thursday, February 4th, 2021, at 7.30 via Zoom

The following is a summary of the approved minutes of SBRA's February meeting, held remotely via Zoom.

APPROVAL OF JANUARY MINUTES.
Proposed by: Joyce Willson **Seconded by:** Pat Hand

3. MATTERS ARISING.
Joyce advised that her posters advertising our up-coming AGM are now being delivered.
David reminded members about the likely new concept in future planning applications of the term - "beauty". A revised government white paper will hopefully provide guidance.

4. BEACH NEWS & WEBSITE.
Joss, as Editor, advised the website is advertising our AGM via Zoom on February 27th. The Spring edition of Beach News will shortly be compiled, delivery from mid March.

5. SOCIAL REPORT & AGM UPDATES.

Joyce updated the meeting on the progress of arrangements to advertise our AGM by various means and will be devising/delivering an Agenda and previous Minutes [2020] to our likely audience and invited speakers. The SBRA website is being updated to create a new page to enable easy electronic access to all meeting papers. A short discussion engaged the meeting with how this new online AGM will proceed. Invited speakers have been advised accordingly.

6. FINANCIAL REPORT.
Julia, as Treasurer, will be producing our full accounts ready for the AGM.

7. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS.

[i] PLANNING APPLICATIONS
Maureen had circulated committee members with another comprehensive list of planning proposals by email – some 56 separate applications for Beach dwellings. .

[ii] BEACH GREEN TOILET BLOCK

Joss advised that Boxpark's awaited application for Licensing has yet to be received by ADC.

[iii] SBNF - Update

The forum's bid for re-designation is due to go before the Joint Strategic Committee in April, after being deferred in July.

8. Councillor Joss Loader reports:

N.B. Regrettably, Joss experienced sound interference on her Zoom connection from the start of the meeting, so she invited our Vice-Chair, Julia, to take over on her behalf. Joss remained in the meeting and could hear all discussions.

Introduction of Beach Patrols -As reported last week, Joss asked a question at last week's JOSC meeting regarding the introduction of a Beach patrol, East of the Boundary with Lancing Parish Council. The outcome is awaited, subject to costs and securing funding.

Traffic management review – Cllr Evans agreed to look at the issue of increasing the number of traffic wardens.

Work on the LNR – Further issues with work on the LNR as part of construction work. Vehicles are also parking on the beach, South of West Beach. ADC has agreed to build a raised bed to act as a wildflower area/natural barrier.

Erosion at Soldiers' Point – The beach is again eroding, despite the construction of a temporary shingle bank. This issue was raised at JOSC and the EA is investigating more permanent solutions.

Fort disability ramp – the EA has also conceded that this will require regular jet-washing to ensure public safety and once a week was promised.

Taxis – Ongoing complaints and issues. Joss had a meeting with the relevant director and Kevin Boram [acting Executive Member for Health and Wellbeing]to try to resolve on 5th February.

Dog thefts – Joss received information from the Police this morning which she will circulate in the next newsletter, plus Beach News and on our social media platforms.

Cycling – Improvements have been agreed at the Western entrance to the cycle path that runs South of Beach Green. A date is awaited for works to commence.

Twitten running from Harbour Way to the beach behind the Sailing Club – still no start date to report.

Food Bank appeal – Donations are still at a good level and we have postponed the next collection until requested.

Rubbish – Pat alerted Joss that Sussex Wharf had been moved on to alternate weekly collections. Following discussions with ADC, weekly collections have been reinstated. Pat thanked Joss for resolving this so swiftly.

AirBnB's – Kevin Boram and Joss have requested that ADC looks again at this with a view to strengthening the regulations. They are constrained by planning legislation but they have asked them to look at this again as environmental safeguards are inadequate.

Potholes – Joss continues to receive complaints about potholes on Beach roads. WSCC has simplified its online reporting form which is an improvement.

Swimming signage – The new "swim zone" signage is now in place.

BMX Track – A community group is still keen to create a new facility on the Northern section of the Adur Recreation Ground. Joss was due to attend a meeting tomorrow – Friday – to discuss progress.

There being no further business, the meeting closed.

The Zoom Meeting closed at 8.50pm

Next monthly meeting: Thursday, March 4th, 2021.